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Pancreatic neuroendocrine neoplasms: Review of clinically relevant information

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Pancreatic neuroendocrine neoplasms (PanNETs) are rare, representing approximately 3% of primary pancreatic neoplasms, although their incidence has risen sharply in the United States, increasing more than 100% over the past three decades. In the past, classification of PanNETs has been fraught with different nomenclature and multiple grading and staging systems. The 2010 WHO Classification of Tumours of the Digestive System and the 7th edition of AJCC Cancer Staging Manual have tried to address these issues, however, controversies still exist. This lecture will address the current grading and staging systems, issues encountered in everyday practice, clinical significance and future direction.

Biography

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