

Call for Papers

Special Issue: Pain Management

Background

Pain management is one of the key components of palliative care and such an essential issue in oncology nursing. However, even though many clinician and researcher have been making an effort to achieve free of cancer pain from 1990 when WHO published epoch-making report “Cancer pain relief and palliative care”, there remains much room for improvement in Asian countries. Also, there are many barriers to achieve cancer pain-free in Asia such as; intractable pain, adverse effects, the misconception to analgesia and patient/family education, education for general nurses, opioid abuse, drug availability and economic gap among Asian countries, not only in end-of-life setting but also anti-cancer treatment period. Therefore, we must continue to make more effort improve assessment, treatment, care, education, policy making for patients until achieving free of cancer pain.

Aim

The primary aim of this special journal issue is to provide a forum for experts and interested others to share the current status of pain management in Asian countries and updated or innovative information about pain management. It also serves as a challenge for collaboration and support for one another as we try to improve pain management in the region. Potential topics include but are not limited to:

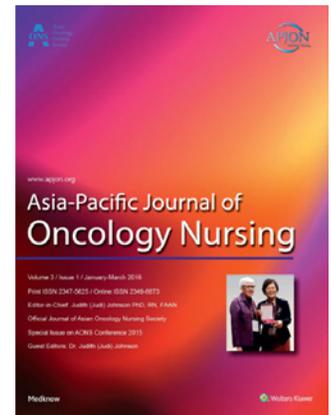
1. Development and current practices of pain management in Asian countries.
2. Research on assessment, treatment, care, education to alleviate cancer pain.
3. Barriers, challenges and solutions in achieving pain-free cancer care.
4. Education for healthcare professionals.
5. Influence of culture, governmental policy and socio-economic issues in cancer pain management in Asia.

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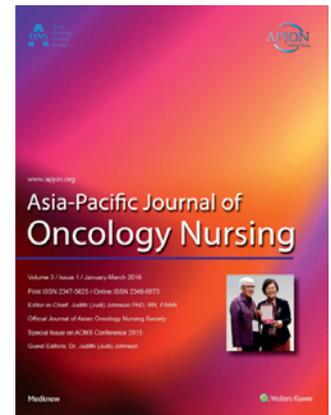
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