



The changing landscape of esophageal disease

Esophageal disease, both benign and malignant, is becoming more prevalent over time. There are several risk factors, such as diet and obesity, which are contributing to the increased prevalence. I chose to host this issue to make readers aware of the multiple facets of esophageal disease. There are multiple pertinent questions I wanted to address with this issue.

What are some of the factors which cause disease?

How can we diagnose disease earlier?

Are there lifestyles which can make disease less prevalent?

When major surgical interventions are needed, which centers are best equipped to perform these surgeries?

What is the role of endoscopic techniques to manage disease processes traditionally treated with surgery?

What is the role of the intraluminal environment, specifically the microfloral composition, in the development and progression of disease?

The articles in this issue will address details concerning these topics. I hope that this issue will be informative and shed some light on esophageal disease for readers. Thank you.

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