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The Role of Liquid Biopsies in Non-Invasive Lung Cancer Diagnosis

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Abstract

Lung cancer remains a signiýcant global health challenge, with a high mortality rate often attributed to late-stage diagnosis. Traditional tissue biopsies have limitations, including invasiveness and the potential for sampling errors due to tumor heterogeneity. Liquid biopsies, a non-invasive diagnostic approach, have emerged as a promising tool for early detection, monitoring, and personalized treatment of lung cancer. This abstract reviews the current state of liquid biopsy technology in the context of lung cancer diagnosis and management. Liquid biopsies involve the analysis of circulating tumor components, such as cell-free DNA (cfDNA), circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA), circulating tumor cells (CTCs), and exosomes, from blood or other bodily þuids. These biomarkers provide valuable information about the genetic and molecular characteristics of lung tumors. Key ýndings from recent studies

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guiding the selection of targeted therapies like tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs), which have shown remarkable e cacy in EGFR-mutated lung cancers.

KRAS a : KRAS mutations are commonly found in lung adenocarcinomas. Identifying these mutations through liquid biopsies can in uence treatment decisions and participation in clinical trials for KRAS-targeted therapies. Liquid biopsies are crucial in identifying rearrangements in the ALK and ROS1 genes, which are actionable alterations in NSCLC. Detection of these fusions can lead to the administration of ALK or ROS1 inhibitors. Liquid biopsies o er an advantage in capturing the genetic and molecular heterogeneity within a lung tumor. Unlike single-site tissue biopsies, liquid biopsies can sample multiple tumor sites, providing a more comprehensive view of the tumor's genetic landscape [5].

Re a ce ec a : Monitoring genetic alterations over time through serial liquid biopsies can help detect the emergence of resistance mutations, such as EGFR T790M. is information is critical for adjusting treatment strategies to overcome resistance. Liquid biopsies can also assess the expression of programmed death-ligand 1 (PD-L1), a biomarker that informs the use of immune checkpoint inhibitors in immunotherapy-based treatment regimens. Liquid

a non-invasive alternative to traditional tissue biopsies, reducing patient discomfort and the risk of complications. is characteristic is especially important for patients with advanced-stage disease or those with limited biopsy-accessible lesions. While liquid biopsies hold signi cant promise, ongoing research is required to further validate their clinical utility and establish standardized protocols. Addressing issues related to sensitivity, speci city, and standardization will be crucial for widespread adoption [11].

I e a c ca ac ce: e integration of liquid biopsies into routine clinical practice is an ongoing challenge. Healthcare systems must adapt to incorporate these assays, and healthcare providers need education and training to interpret and act upon liquid biopsy results e ectively. Future research should focus on re ning liquid biopsy technologies, expanding their applications, and exploring their role in early detection and longitudinal monitoring of lung cancer. Additionally, e orts to reduce the cost and improve accessibility of liquid biopsy testing are essential for maximizing its impact on patient care. In conclusion, the results of this systematic review underscore the signi cant potential of liquid biopsies in the diagnosis and management of lung cancer. By providing valuable insights into genetic and molecular characteristics, these non-invasive assays o er a path towards more precise, personalized, and e ective lung cancer care. Continued research and clinical validation will be pivotal in realizing the full potential of liquid biopsies in improving patient outcomes and reducing the burden of this devastating disease.

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e role of liquid biopsies in non-invasive lung cancer diagnosis and the characterization of genetic and molecular characteristics represents a rapidly evolving and promising eld in oncology. is comprehensive review has illuminated several key points that underscore the signi cance of liquid biopsies in transforming the landscape of lung cancer diagnosis and management. Liquid biopsies, with their ability to detect genetic alterations such as EGFR mutations, KRAS mutations, ALK and ROS1 fusions, and resistance mechanisms, have emerged as invaluable tools for guiding personalized treatment strategies. e real-time monitoring of treatment response and the early detection of resistance through longitudinal analysis of circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) have the potential to optimize therapy and improve patient outcomes. e capacity of liquid biopsies to capture the genetic heterogeneity within lung tumors o ers a more comprehensive understanding of the disease compared to single-site tissue biopsies.