40 years
Swiss Childhood Cancer Registry

How routine data help to prevent cancer in children, optimize treatment and improve long-term outcomes

Program
Hauptgebäude University of Bern
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Welcome

40 years of Swiss Childhood Cancer Registry - a reason to celebrate this anniversary with a Scientific Symposium.

We are happy to welcome you to our Scientific Symposium at the University of Bern!

Childhood Cancer is rare, roughly 1% of all cancers affect children, but it is the second most frequent cause of death in children. Cancer types in children differ from those in adults, requiring specialized therapies and medical expertise in clinics as well as specialized cancer registries.

Thanks to improved cancer therapies, 84% of children with cancer today survive the disease in Switzerland. These therapies can be aggressive, especially for a still developing organism like the body of a child. Because they were diseased at such a young age, they have so many more years to live ahead of them. Two out of three survivors develop chronic health problems (late effects) later in life. This requires regular and long-term monitoring of the health of childhood cancer survivors.

An excellent national and international collaboration between treating oncologists, other medical professionals, childhood cancer registries, patients, survivors and parents as well as the lifelong monitoring of childhood cancer survivors is essential to optimize current cancer therapies and to minimize side effects.

Together we can improve the quality of life for childhood cancer survivors!

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Vice head

Dr. rer. nat. Verena Pfeiffer  
Project Coordinator
Program

Thursday 8. September

14.00-14.15  Welcome
              by Prof. Claudia Kuehni

Childhood Cancer registration in Switzerland and Europe

14.15-14.45  40 years of Swiss Childhood Cancer Registry – an experience
              Prof. Claudia Kuehni (head of the SCCR)

14.45-15.15  Childhood cancer registration in France
              Dr. Jacqueline Clavel (director of the RNHE, Paris, France)

15.15-15.45  36 years Childhood Cancer registration in Germany: a network
              between clinics, clinical studies and the registry
              Dr. Peter Kaatsch (head of the DKKR, Mainz, Germany)

15.45-16.15  Coffee break

Searching for causes of childhood cancer: The Swiss approach

16.15-16.45  Risk factors for childhood cancer: Does it matter where you live?
              Dr. Ben Spycher (University of Bern)

16.45-17.15  Infections as a cause of leukaemia: Smoking gun or blind alley?
              Dr. Christian Kreis (University of Bern)

17.15-17.45  Electromagnetic fields and childhood cancer
              Prof. Martin Röösli (Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, Basel)

19:00      Dinner

Friday 9. September

Monitoring of late effects and organization of follow-up in
Switzerland and other countries

8.30-9.00  Study design for monitoring late effects in Denmark
              Dr. Jeannette Winter (Danish Cancer Society, Copenhagen, Denmark)

9.00-9.30  What do we learn from the Swiss Childhood Cancer Survivor Study?
              Late effects and outcomes
              Prof. Gisela Michel (University of Luzern)

9.30-10.00  Countrywide clinical follow-up in the Netherlands
              Dr. Helena van der Pal (Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam, Netherlands)

10.00-10.30  Coffee break
### Implementing results in treatment

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<td>Hodgkin lymphoma survivors: the “whys and whats” for contemporary multidisciplinary risk-based health care</td>
<td>Dr. Kevin Oeffinger (Memorial Sloan Kettering’s, New York City, US)</td>
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<td>11:15-11:45</td>
<td>From Outcomes Research back into the clinic : A view from a MD</td>
<td>Prof. Nicolas von der Weid (Universitäts-Kinderspital beider Basel)</td>
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<td>Nicola von der Weid, Claudia Kuehni, Jaqueline Clavel, Peter Kaatsch, Kevin Oeffinger, Helena van der Pal, Felix Niggli</td>
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