

Announcement

The liver tumour working group SIOPEL of SIOP (International Society of Paediatric Oncology) has developed a website called Pediatric Liver Unresectable Tumour Observatory (PLUTO) for on-line registration of children undergoing a liver transplant for a malignant liver tumour.

The aim was to establish a multi-centre, international database with prospective registration of paediatric (<18 years) patients presenting with unresectable tumour (hepatoblastoma, hepatocellular carcinoma, epithelioid hemangioendothelioma) requiring liver transplantation. A remote data entry system has been created which is accessible on-line and worldwide, and free of charge for contributing centres.

Indeed, several issues regarding these rare tumours in children cannot be clarified without collecting data from a large number of centres, around the world.

Paediatricians, paediatric oncologists and paediatric/transplant surgeons are encouraged to visit the website: <http://pluto.cineca.org> for registration of new patients.

Their collaboration will be deeply appreciated.

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