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STEP 2.0

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Background:

In this research project, data on rare tumors and their disease courses are collected in a register. Very rare tumors in children are defined as tumors that affect fewer than 2 in 1,000,000 children per year. These include malignant skin tumors, tumors of the ear, nose, and throat area, gastrointestinal tumors (colon, pancreas), or germ cell-stroma tumors (tumors that occur in the testes or ovaries). In Switzerland, approximately 10 patients are expected to participate in STEP 2.0 each year.

Children and adolescents with a malignant disease can often be treated within the framework of therapy studies today. This can also include consultation in the diagnosis and therapy by a large network of specialists. As a result, an improvement in treatment prospects can be achieved. Children and adolescents with very rare tumors cannot always benefit from these structures, as there are not therapy studies for all types of tumors.

Why is the study needed?

STEP 2.0 aims to gain new insights into the development and optimal examination, treatment, and medical follow-up of very rare tumors. These findings could potentially contribute to conducting therapy studies and ensuring that future patients receive the best possible treatment in the long term.

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