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Introduction by the OECI President

This first Edition of the OECI Yearbook is dedicated to all the OECI Members and cancer centres that joined the OECI, in the spirit set out by our Founders, since 1979.

In recognition of the important work done by my Predecessors, the first two pages of the Yearbook are devoted to the OECI Presidents' Directory. Each OECI Member is then listed by country and in alphabetical order. The Yearbook will also be available in electronic format, to be updated on a yearly basis, recording any new or further developments that have occurred in each centre.

The Yearbook highlights some of the centres, which have already received the Accreditation & Designation certificate, or which are currently undergoing the accreditation process. The certification is the result of a long procedure, which obliges each centre to self-assess its organisation and competences. We encourage our readers to see this as a practical stimulus for all the cancer centres to test their internal organisation and to improve, in a continuous process, their skills and quality levels.

The OECI is the only existing European inclusive Organisation of cancer centres that fosters further development of its Members. Our mandate is to give more possibilities to cancer patients to receive the best available care and to overcome inequalities in cancer care provision throughout Europe.

As an umbrella Organisation, the OECI encourages its Members to improve joint interaction with one another, promoting collaboration and twinning. The Yearbook is therefore not devoted to advertising the OECI activities but rather, to provide a brief, descriptive profile of our Members, who are amongst the most renowned representatives of the European Cancer Community and, as such, are paramount in the fight against cancer.

The end of this edition is dedicated to some of the European cancer Organisations, with whom we are currently developing close collaborations. I refer to the European Cancer Patients Coalition, the European Association for Cancer Research, the European School of Oncology and our Official Journal: *ecancermedalscience*.

These four entities share and represent a specific aspect of the OECI mandate: integrating research results in the clinics, improving the quality of patient care, promoting training activities, involving cancer patients and disseminating information and results. The OECI, being the European Organisation of Comprehensive and Clinical Cancer Centres and other cancer related entities, is also recognised by our US sister and counterpart, the Association of American Cancer Institutes (the AACI), to which the last two pages are reserved.

I would like to thank all the OECI Members for having participated in this first Edition, which will be widely disseminated in Europe and in the US, and which will further increase the visibility of our Organisation and its Members.

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Director's foreword

IEPOR is aimed at strengthening scientific research in cancer, practical assistance to health care, training qualified oncologists. We combine experimental research with the designing of novel methods of diagnosis, treatment prognosis etc. and their implementation in practice.

Description of the Centre and history

IEPOR was founded in 1960, is OECI associated member since 1994. Since 1979 IEPOR publishes international Journal "Experimental Oncology". National scientific school of experimental oncology is based on the concept of "Tumor-Host Interaction", formed due to durable Institute's research. We have National Collection of tumor cell cultures and strains; Ukrainian Reference lab for hemoblastoses.

Main research activities

Investigations of tumor cell biology and its microenvironment, molecular-cellular mechanisms of carcinogenesis for developing new methods of diagnosis, prognosis and individualized treatment; studies of molecular aspects of directional transport systems aimed at increasing treatment effectiveness, overcoming drug resistance; elaboration of methods for precancerous diseases detection, early, differential cancer diagnosis; designing new principles and treatment programs, including those based on innovative nanotechnologies principles, construction and design of effective means of chemo- and biotherapy, overcoming chemoresistance to antitumor drugs.

Core Facilities

Departments: mechanisms of anticancer therapy; immunocytochemistry & hematology; physical & chemical mechanisms of sorption detoxification; cancer biotherapy means construction; tumor cells' microenvironment; regulatory mechanisms of tumor cell.

Education

Department of Fundamental Medicine of Kyiv National University, 3 research-educational labs for Bachelors.



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