

STUDIES OF "THE TURKISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES" (TÜBA) ON CANCER

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TÜBA Cancer Working Group was reorganized in 2002 under the Directorate of the Turkish Academy of Sciences*. The committee members are elected for a period of 2 years, among scientists and experts, well-known by their scientific studies and by the president of the Academy.

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- Prof. Dr. Hakan Akbulut (Scientific Secretary)

- *TÜBA Members*

I – TÜBA - CANCER WORKING GROUP (Goals)

• To contribute to the cooperation between public, private and voluntary institutions in research areas related to cancer.

• To contribute to the formation of a national research strategy by determining the scientific and the national priorities in the areas of "Basic

Oncology", "Clinical Oncology", "Cancer Prevention" and "Cancer Epidemiology" through the above mentioned cooperation.

- To ensure the coordination of the cancer-related researches conducted in Turkey with similar researches carried out abroad and making effort to support international cooperation.

- To make proposals concerning the formation of the infrastructure of technical and human force in Turkey with respect to cancer-related researches.

- To give consultancy to international projects related to cancer.

- To contribute to every sort of informative activity related to cancer researches through books, brochures and similar publications and in addition through media and internet.

- To give scientific consultancy to the related institutions on subjects related to cancer.

- To make the necessary preparations and studies for the formation of the National Cancer Committee.

II –STUDIES (2002-2006)

- Achieving the participation of Turkey in MECC (Middle East Cancer Consortium) (with the support of TÜBA Directorate) (2002)

- CANCER and ETHICS Meeting (2003)

- Establishment studies of the NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

- a) Justified Report

- b) Letter to the Prime Minister

- c) Preparation of TÜBİTAK [The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey] Project

- Meeting on "Cancer Registry Systems in Turkey" in cooperation with Cancer Department of the Ministry of Health (TÜBİTAK 2004).

- Participation to MECC Meeting (Lyon, 2005) Presentation on "Statistical Analysis and Evaluation of Cancer Registries of Infants in the Middle Eastern Countries".

- Symposium on Development of Oncology-Education in Turkey (April 6, 2006)
(Together with the Cancer Department of the Ministry of Health)
- MECC – İSTANBUL ONCOLOGY MEETING WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION, November 16-19, 2006 (Participation representing TÜBA)
- Invited participation to the National Cancer Committee established by the Ministry of Health.
- Relations with international institutions such as INCTR, MECC, SIOP, ESMO, and UICC were developed. (Especially with the first two)
- Contribution to World Health Organization's (WHO) much necessary study concerning cancer medicines. With the intermediation of INCTR
- Organizing the meetings of TÜBA - Cancer Working Group.

III – PUBLICATIONS

- 1- CANCER AND ETHICS - Book (2004)
- 2- Proposals related to Ethic Rules to be Applied in Oncology Congresses and in Scientific. (Brochure)
- 3- Cancer Training Symposium Book (Being Prepared for Press)
- 4- In the Book (2006) published by NCI (National Cancer Institute), the part titled as “Childhood Cancers in MECC Countries” (Prof. Dr. Ayhan. Çavdar and Tezer Kutluk). Prepared for press and published in USA (in NCI).

