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Invitation to participate the study

Dear colleagues,

hereby we invite you to participate in a multicentric retrospective study “Tumors at the elbow – clinical and oncological results after resection and endoprosthesis replacement”.

Bone and soft tissue tumors involving the elbow are very rare. There is a limited knowledge about clinical and oncological results of distal humerus and/or proximal ulna resection and endoprosthetic elbow reconstruction: in the last two decades only a few publications analyzed this problem, including per study at average about 20 patients. These studies include numerous various parameters (different implants, various diagnosis...), making the task of summarizing the results not easy.

From the scientific as well as clinical practical point of view, there is a high need for a larger data in order to draw conclusions about the tumor resections at the elbow. The idea of this study is to analyze clinical (performance, range of motion...), oncological (local recurrence, survival...) and surgical (infection rate, surgical complications...) outcome of endoprosthetic elbow reconstruction after primary and secondary bone and/or soft tissue tumor resection. After data collection and analysis, we plan to publish the results in one of the orthopaedic top journals. All participating centers will be included in authorship.

Please send us your kind response on e-mail address: marko.bergovec@medunigraz.at
Looking forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely

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