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PROMOTING GERIATRIC ONCOLOGY IN ROMANIA

Despite the fact that in Romania Geriatric Oncology does not exist like a specialty or subspecialty, the current practice obliged medical oncologist to know the particularities of senior adults regarding the physiology, pathology, and tolerance to chemotherapies.

The National Society of Medical Oncology from Romania (SNOMR) organized each year scientific and educational events where there were debated geriatric oncology topics.

Another activity to promote geriatric oncology was the publishing of articles in Romanian Journal of Oncology and Hematology, "Oncology Hematology".

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A case for Geriatric Oncology: an editorial

In the light of growing numbers of the elderly population in developed countries, the concept of geriatrics has been developed. The elderly patient is a special group of patients, characterized by specific needs, which are different from younger patients.

Conclusion:

Geriatric oncology is an important field of study for medical oncologists. It is essential to recognize the special needs of elderly patients and to develop individualized treatment plans that take into account the unique physiological and psychological characteristics of this population.