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'Onconephrology' as a new category in the Clinical Kidney Journal (CKJ)

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The open access journal Clinical Kidney Journal (CKJ) has launched a new category named "onconephrology".

Being asked why, Prof. Alberto Ortiz, CKJ's editor-in-chief answered: "Both disciplines, nephrology and oncology, have quite a big common subset. Renal patients, especially transplanted patients, have a higher risk of developing cancer – and according to a new meta-analysis [1] more than half of all cancer patients have a reduced kidney function. Therefore the interdisciplinary exchange between nephrologists and oncologists is vital!"

In the October issue three articles will highlight the interplay between CKD and cancer. Stallone et al. will focus on the management and prevention of post-transplant malignancies in kidney transplant recipients, Lodhi et al. will examine the association of thrombotic microangiopathy and proteasome inhibitors, and, finally, Jhaveri et al. will analyze abstracts and publication trends in onconephrology.

[1] Launay-Vacher V, Aapro M, De Castro G Jr et al. Renal effects of molecular targeted therapies in oncology: a review by the Cancer and the Kidney International Network (C-KIN). *Ann Oncol* 2015 Aug; 26 (8): 1677-84

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About ERA-EDTA

With more than 7,000 members, the ERA-EDTA ("European Renal Association – European Dialysis and Transplant Association") is one of the biggest nephrology associations worldwide and one of the most important and prestigious European Medical Associations. It supports basic and clinical research in the fields of clinical nephrology, dialysis, renal transplantation and related subjects. The ERA-EDTA supports a number of studies as well as research groups and has founded a special "Fellowship Programme" for young investigators as well as grant programmes. In order to involve young nephrologists in all activities of the ERA-EDTA the



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Council decided to create a Young Nephrologists' Platform (YNP). Besides, it has established various research networks and different working groups to promote the collaboration of nephrologists with other medical disciplines (e.g. cardiology, immunology). Furthermore, a "European Renal Best Practice" (ERBP) advisory board has been established by the ERA-EDTA to draw up and publish guidelines and position statements. Another important goal of the ERA-EDTA is education: several series of CME-courses as well as the annual congress offer an attractive scientific programme to cover the need of continuous medical education for doctors working in the fields of nephrology, dialysis and transplantation. The association's journals, NDT (Nephrology, Dialysis, Transplantation) and ckj (Clinical Kidney Journal), are currently the leading nephrology journals in Europe. The ERA-EDTA Registry is a large epidemiologic database comparing countries by assessing nephrology practice throughout Europe. Finally, ERA-EDTA is member of the European Kidney Health Alliance (EKHA), a consortium of renal societies that actively interacts with the European Parliament. For more information please visit www.era-edta.org