



CVID International Splenectomy Survey



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Dear Colleague!

There is currently no evidence to guide decisions when splenectomy is being considered in patients with common variable immunodeficiency. We are therefore conducting a survey to assess the reasons for and outcomes of splenectomy in these patients.

We would like to collect data on any CVID patients, alive or deceased, who have had a splenectomy after 1980. Please complete as much of the form as you can, but even simple clinical outcome data is useful.

The results will be prepared for publication and you may nominate a co-author from your unit if you wish to contribute to the paper. All contributors of data will be acknowledged.

Please complete the following and return this letter with the patient survey forms to the address above by latest 15.7.2010.

Thank you for your help, Aarn and Klaus.

Instructions for completing patient survey form

All data fields should be completed. Please mark missing data with UNK if unknown or not done or not applicable.
Please ensure legibility by writing in BLOCK LETTERS.
Please always complete all boxes right aligned.

Name of Department _____

City, Country _____

Head of Department _____

Investigator responsible for information _____

Date of completion

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Number of current patients with CVID

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Number of living CVID patients who have had splenectomy

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Number of deceased CVID patients who had splenectomy

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How were these identified?
(This may include searching hospital or local databases, personal recall, or other means.) _____

Please complete the 'Patient Survey Form' as far as possible for each patient.