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# Malignancies and Lymphoproliferations in Children with Primary Immune Deficiency - A Single-Center Experience

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# Introduction

- Primary immune deficiencies (PID) are rare genetic disorders characterized by frequent infections, immune dysregulation, allergy, and malignancy.
- Malignancies occur more frequently and at an earlier age in PID and are the second most common cause of death in patients with PID.
- Benign lymphoproliferations are commonly observed in PIDs, and distinguishing it from malignancy is of great importance.

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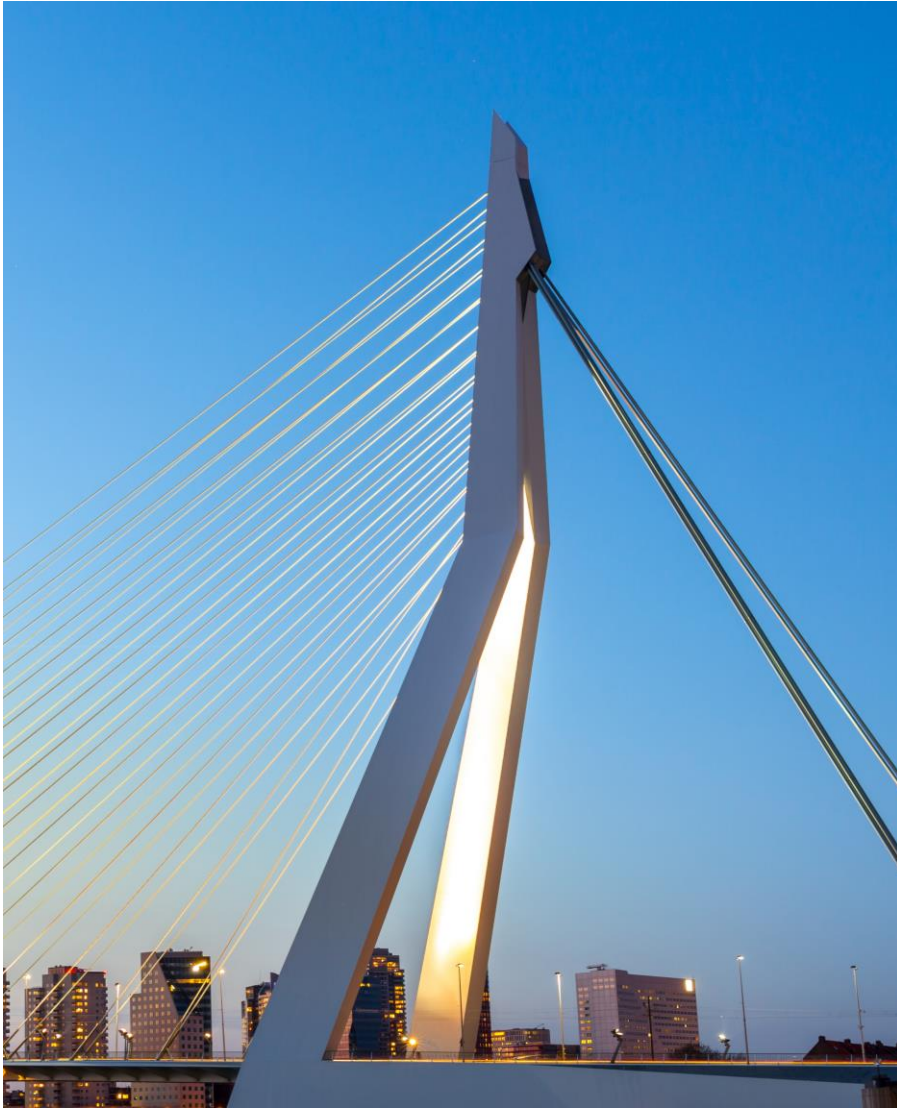


- In patients with PID, malignancy is most commonly reported to be non-Hodgkin lymphoma, followed by Hodgkin lymphoma and leukemia.
- CVID and AT are the most common immunodeficiencies associated with malignancy.
- We aimed to evaluate the frequency of malignancy and benign lymphoproliferation in PID, the types of PID that cause malignancy/benign lymphoproliferation, and their prognoses.

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# Methods:

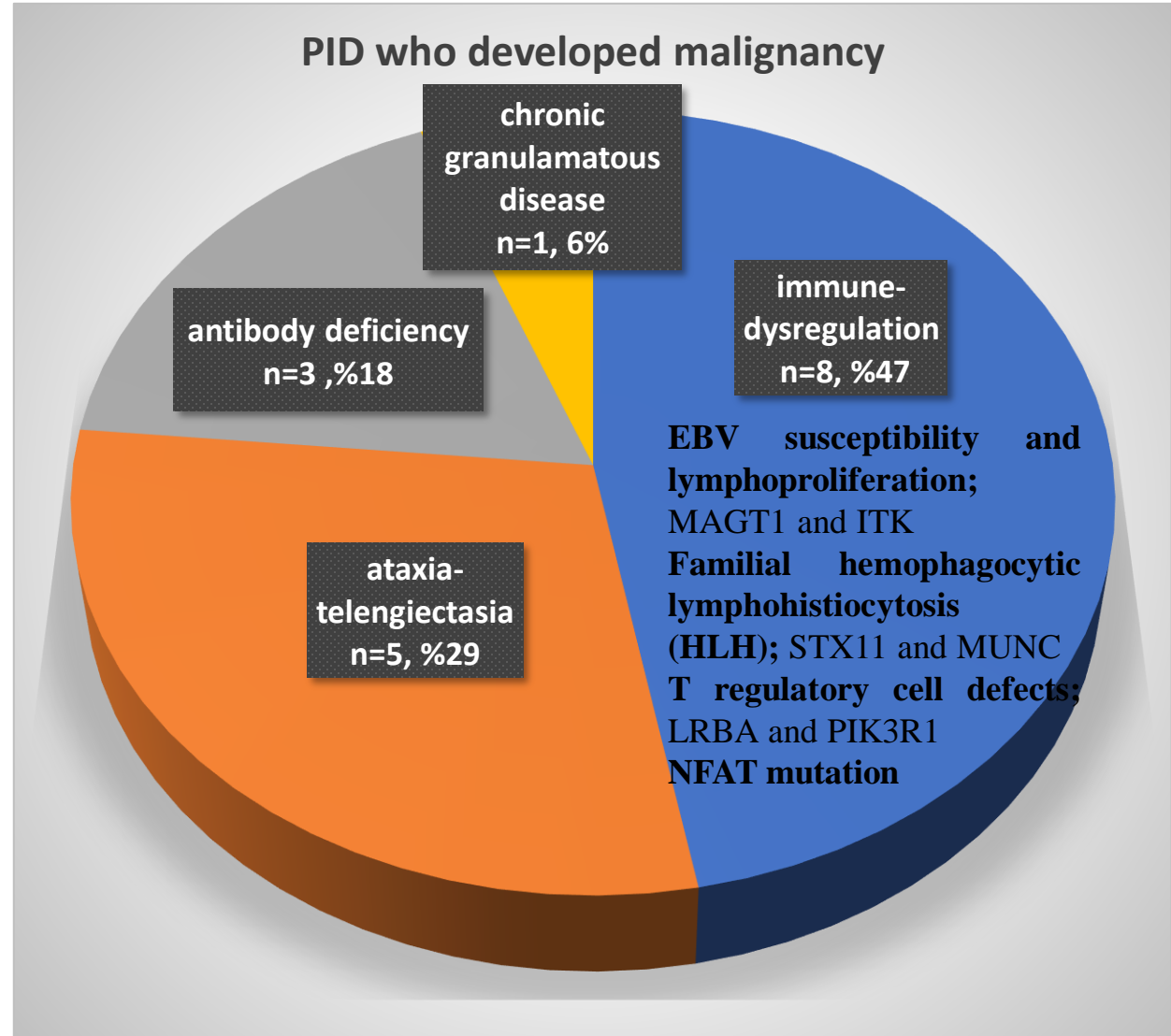
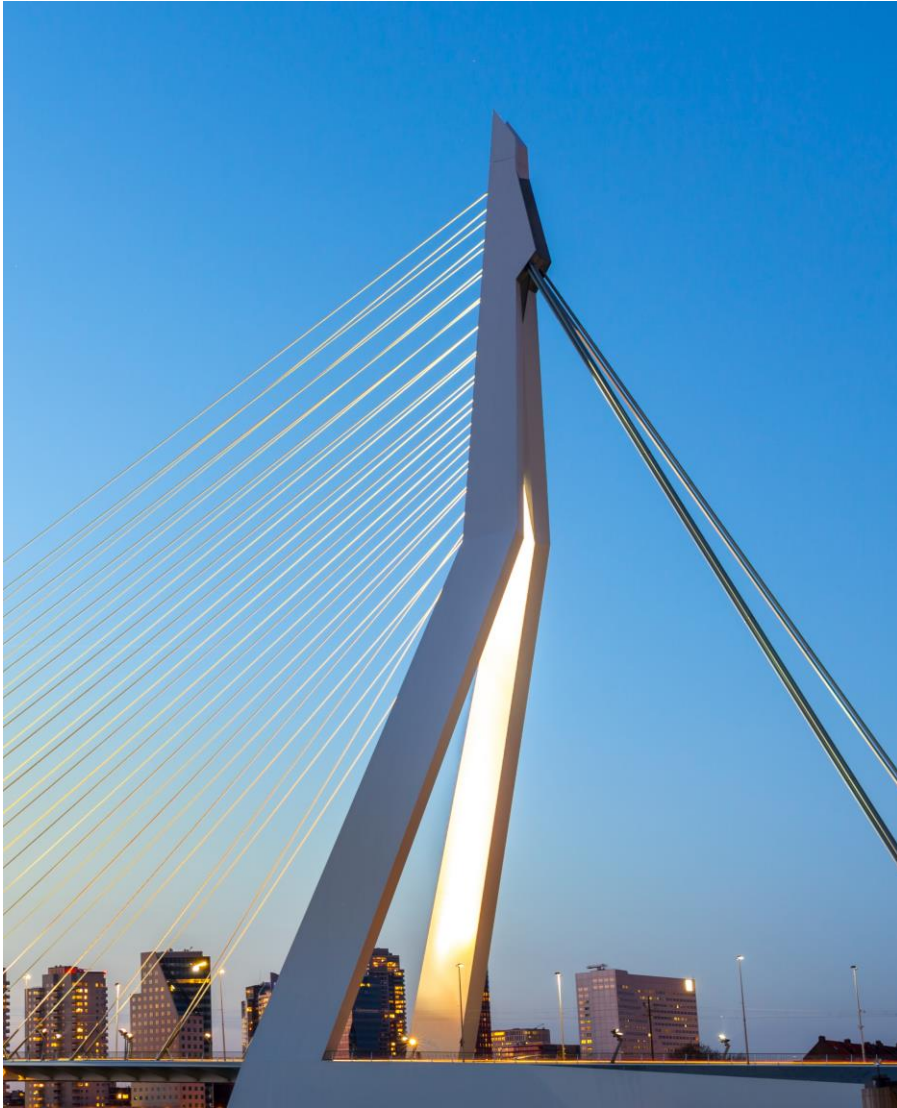
- Among the 550 patients monitored for PID at the Department of Pediatric Allergy-Immunology in Basaksehir Cam and Sakura City Hospital, 17 PID patients who developed malignancies and/or benign lymphoproliferation included in the study.
- The diagnoses of PID were made according to the classification of inborn errors of immunity by the International Union of Immunological Societies.
- Demographic information, symptoms, treatment protocols, and response to therapy were recorded.

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# Results:

- The study involved 17 patients (3.0% of the total 550 patients) diagnosed with PID and malignancy and/or benign lymphoproliferation. Out of these 17 patients, 10 were male, and 7 were female.
- The mean age at the diagnosis of PID was  $5.8 \pm 3.8$  years.
- The median age of patients at cancer diagnosis was 10 years (2-13 years), and the current median age of the patients was 13 years (2-20 years).

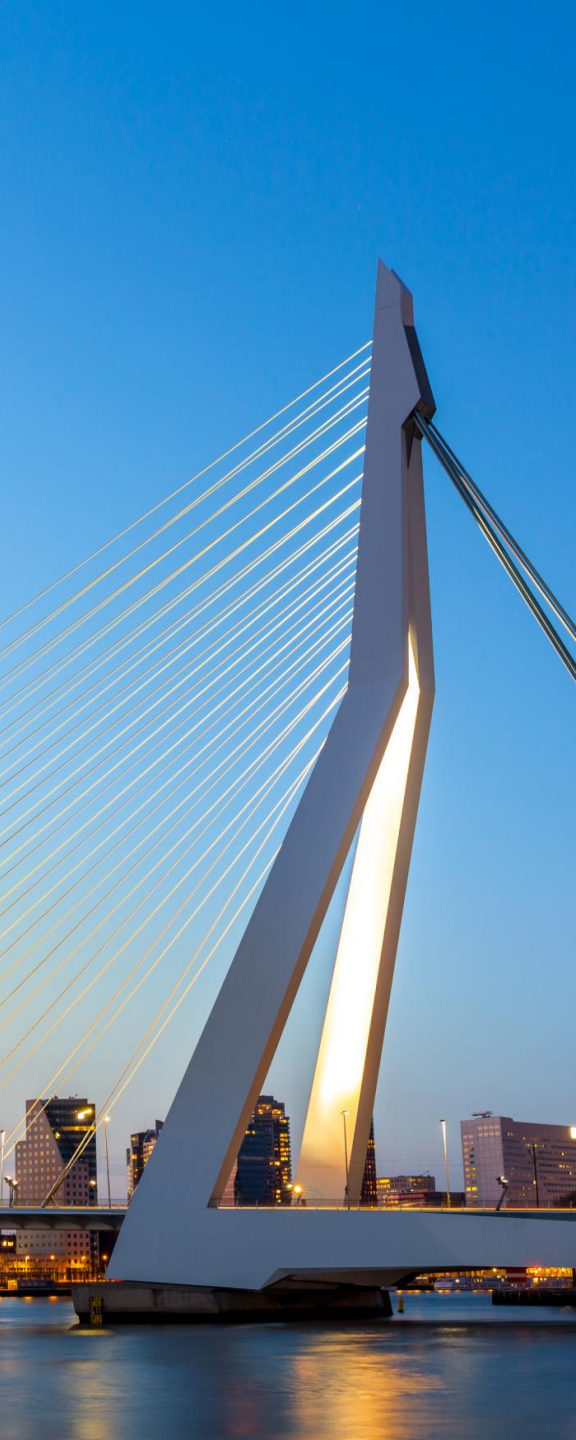




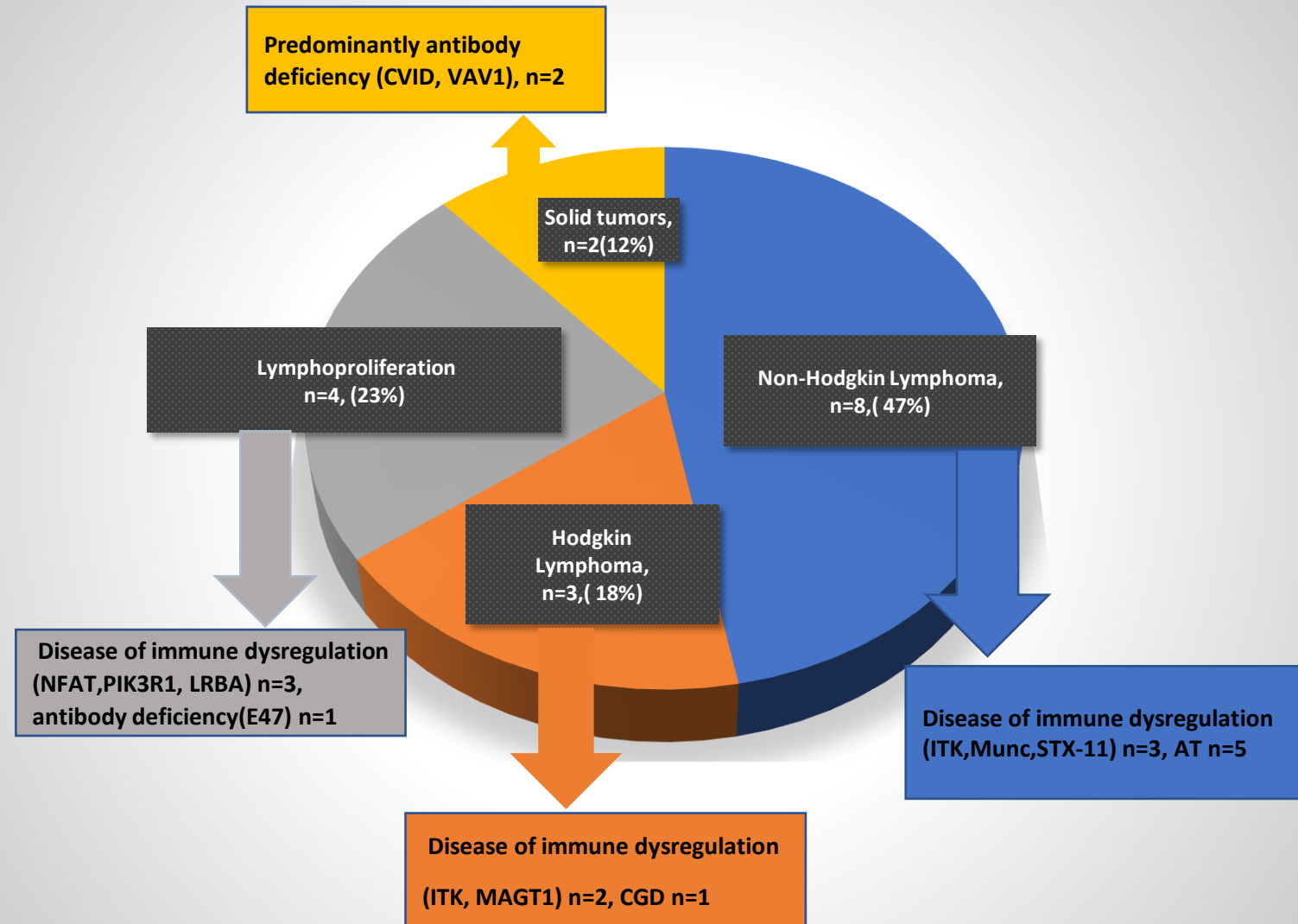
## At the time of malignancy/lymphoproliferation diagnosis

		Number(%)
Symptoms	fever	8 (47.0%)
	respiratory distress	7 (41.1%)
	weight loss	7 (41.1%)
	recurrent diarrhea	2 (18.1%)
Physical examination	<b>lymphadenopathy</b>	14 (82.3%)
	splenomegaly	9(52.9%)
	hepatomegaly	5(29.4%)
Laboratory analysis	<b>thrombocytopenia</b>	6(35.2%)
	anemia	3(17.6%)
	leukopenia	3(17.6%)
	elevated transaminases	5(29.4%)
	EBV PCR (+)	8(47.0%)
	CMV PCR (+)	3(17.6%)





## Malignancies and lymphoproliferations



MALIGNANCIES	NO	Age at diag. PID (year)	Age at diagnosis of malignancy	PID disorder	Side of malignancy	Malignancy	EBV	CMV	Therapy	Outcome
	1	2	5,12	AT	Abdomen, Eye	NHL(Burkitt), Rhabdomyosarcoma	-	-	CT, HSCT	<b>Deceased</b>
	2	6	10	CGD	Abdomen	HL	-	-	CT, HSCT	Alive
	3	9	10	AT	Bone marrow	NHL(T-ALL)	-	-	CT	Alive
	4	3	4	ITK	Neck	HL	+	-	CT, HSCT	Alive
	5	8	10	STX11 def	Abdomen	NHL	-	-	CT, HSCT	Alive
	6	6	13	AT	Abdomen	NHL(Burkitt)	-	-	CT	Alive
	7	6	11	AT	Bone marrow	NHL(T-ALL)	-	-	CT	Alive
	8	7	12	AT	Head- neck	NHL (DLBCL)	+	-	CT	<b>Deceased</b>
	9	6	10	VAV1	Head- neck	Retinoblastoma	-	-	CT,RT	Alive
10	5	6	CVID (mutation unknown)	Head- neck	Craniopharyngioma	-	-	Surgical resection	Alive	

	NO	Age at diag. PID (year)	Age at diagnosis of malignancy	PID disorder	Side of malignancy	Malignancy	EBV	CMV	Therapy	Outcome
<b>LYMPOPROLIFERATION AND MALIGNANCIES</b>	11	5	8	MAGT1	Abdominal	HL	+	-	CT, HSCT	Alive
	12	4	5	ITK	Neck	NHL (DLBCL)	+	+	CT	<b>HLH</b> <b>Deceased</b>
	13	2	2	MUNC def	Small intestine	NHL(MALT)	+	+	CT	<b>HLH</b> <b>Deceased</b>
<b>LYMPHOPROLIFERATIONS</b>	14	10	-	NFAT	-	No	+	-	HSCT <b>Rituximab</b>	<b>Deceased</b>
	15	7	-	PIK3R1	-	No	+	-	<b>Sirolimus</b>	Alive
	16	8	-	E47 def	-	No	+	-	HSCT <b>Rituximab</b>	Alive
	17	6	-	LRBA	-	No	-	-	<b>Abatacept</b>	Alive


# DISCUSSION

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### Diversity of malignancies in patients with different types of inborn errors of immunity

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- ❖ 3056 PID patients
- ❖ 82 patients with malignancy
- ❖ CVID was the most common type
- ❖ Lymphoma 67.1% ( NHL 43.9%, Hodgkin 23.2 %), leukemia 11 %, solid tumors 18.3 % .

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## Malignancy and lymphoid proliferation in primary immune deficiencies; hard to define, hard to treat

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### ❖ 17 PATIENTS

- ❖ The median age of patients at cancer diagnosis was 12.2 years ( 2.2 ± 26).
- ❖ Lymphoma was the most common malignancy (n=7), followed by adenocarcinoma (n=3), squamous cell carcinoma (n=2), cholangiocarcinoma (n=1), Wilms tumor (n=1), and acute myeloid leukemia (n = 1).
- ❖ Lymphoproliferation in 5 Patients
- ❖ Cervical and mediastinal lymph nodes

## The evaluation of malignancies in Turkish primary immunodeficiency patients; a multicenter study

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- **5 centers, 59 patients**
- **Non-Hodgkin lymphoma was the most common malignancy (n = 32, % 51.6).**
- **AT was the most common PID causing malignancy (n = 19, % 32.2)**
- **DOCK8 deficiency patients had a higher risk**
- **16 patients had (%30.2) EBV PCR(+)**

- While AT and CVID are commonly reported causes of malignancy in the literature, our study highlights that **diseases of immune dysregulation** as the most common cause of lymphoproliferation and malignancy.
- Our work also highlights the importance of **EBV (+)** and monitoring patients for signs of **lymphadenopathy**, hepatosplenomegaly, and cytopenia, especially **thrombocytopenia**.









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