

The Hematology Program of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), Blood Division of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), and Office of Rare Diseases, National Institutes of Health (NIH), announces a workshop on inherited bone marrow failure syndromes (IBMFS) intended to establish common definitions and diagnostic criteria for these disorders to promote coordination of IBMFS patient registries and to facilitate the development of clinical research consortia.

Specific objectives of the workshop are to develop consensus opinions on the IBMFS disorders that can be defined as distinct entities by phenotypic and genotypic features and on the diagnostic criteria required to assign affected individuals into one or another IBMFS category or sub-category. An additional objective of the workshop is to develop widely applicable algorithms for IBMFS diagnosis.

Registration Deadline: January 5, 2007

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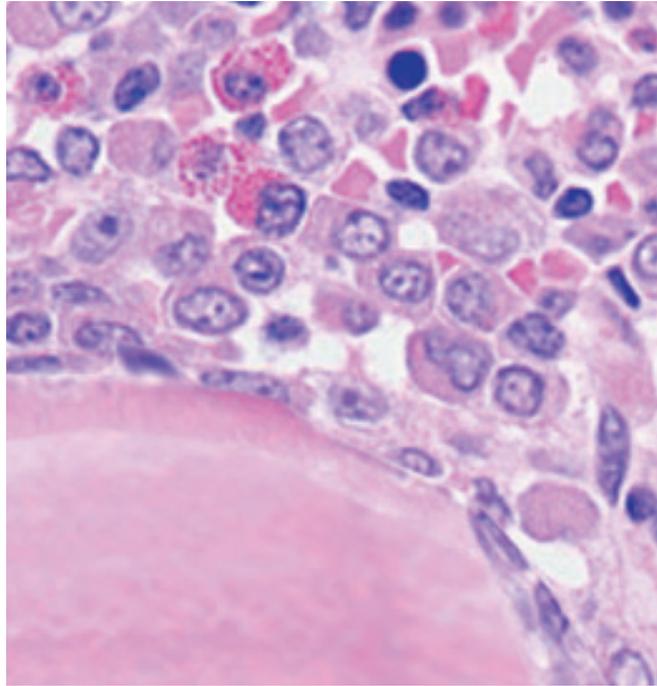
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