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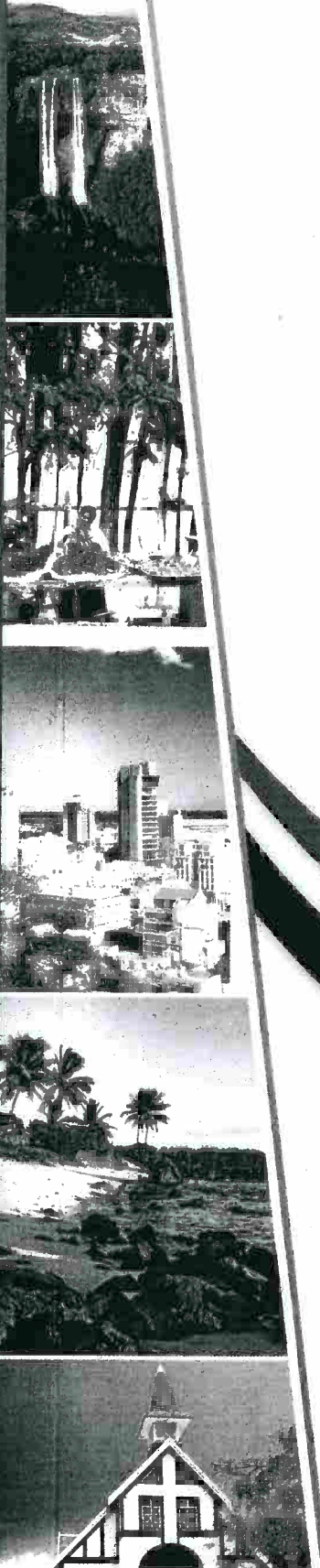


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QOCC STUDY: INDICATORS OF QUALITY OF CANCER CARE IN SOUTHERN SWITZERLAND

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BACKGROUND

To identify a panel of specific indicators, minimum requirements and targets, in order to assess the offered Quality of Cancer Care (QoCC); to promote a culture of QoCC among health-care providers; and to contribute to the improvement of patient outcomes in the long term.

METHODS

QoCC indicators will be defined through up-to-date literature following the Delphi process, and will refer to all incident cancers of colon-rectum, prostate and ovary/uterus occurring between 2011-2013 in Canton Ticino. A pilot study on colorectal cancers in 2009-2010 already identified some indicators of diagnosis/pathology and surgery.

RESULTS

QoCC indicators of the pilot study concerning 428 colorectal cancers (303 colon, 125 rectum) will be reported.

CONCLUSIONS

The QoCC approach, based on up-to-date incidence years, will allow a quick translation of results into the daily clinical practical, will favour the process of standardization of care, based on the evidence-based medicine and will create a comparable platform for other Cancer Registry initiatives.