

Table 2 Length of delay and age at clinical onset by types of tumour

Type of tumour	No. of patients (%)	Age at start of symptoms, yr Mean (SD)	Patient/parents delay Median (IQR)	Referral delay Median (IQR)	Diagnosis delay Median (IQR)	Treatment delay Median (IQR)	Physician delay Median (IQR)	Health system delay Median (IQR)
Leukaemia	64 (46.4%)	6.11 (4.2)	3.0 (1.0-9.5)	14.5 (3.5-30.0)	9.5 (7-12)	1.0 (0-1.0)	27.0 (13.25-39.0)	27.5 (13.25-39.0)
Hodgkin's disease	5 (3.6%)	8.8 (4.14)	101.6 (4.5-242.0)	30.0 (14.5-195.0)	21.0 (13.0-30.0)	1.0 (0-1.0)	51.0 (36.5-216.0)	52.0 (36.5-216.0)
NHL	22 (15.9%)	7.23 (4.19)	5.0 (1.0-7.0)	10.0 (3.5-31.5)	14.0 (10.0-19.5)	1.0 (0-2.0)	26.0 (16.0-45.0)	26.0 (16.0-45.0)
Hepatoblastoma	1 (0.7%)	14.0	1.0	180.0	5.0	2.0	185.0	187.0
Brain tumour	2 (1.4%)	9.75 (6.01)	15.0 (1.0-30.0)	15.5 (1.0-30.0)	11.0 (1.0-21.0)	2.5 (1.0-5.0)	26.5 (2.0-51.0)	29.0 (7.0-51.0)
RMS	2 (1.4%)	7.0 (0)	11.50 (2.0-21.0)	61.0 (2.0-120.0)	13.5 (13.0-14.0)	2.5 (1.0-4.0)	74.5 (15.0-134.0)	77.0 (19.0-135.0)
Bone tumours	12 (8.6%)	11.58 (4.31)	7.0 (7.0-82.5)	37.5 (30.0-90.0)	20.0 (14.25-28.5)	1.0 (1.0-1.5)	62.0 (38.75-131.25)	62.0 (45.5-132.75)
GCT	3 (2.1%)	8.33 (6.42)	15.0 (1.0-24.0)	1.0 (1.0-2.0)	14.0 (7.0-15.0)	1.0 (0-1.0)	15.0 (8.0-17.0)	15.0 (8.0-17.0)
Wilms' tumour	10 (7.0%)	3.65 (2.79)	0.5 (1.0-1.25)	2.0 (1.0-10.5)	15.0 (10.5-21.0)	1.0 (0-1.25)	22.0 (12.5-30.75)	22.0 (12.25-31.25)
Neuroblastoma	15 (10.9%)	2.42 (1.49)	3.0 (1.0-7.0)	14.0 (4.0-40.0)	15.0 (11.0-21.0)	1.0 (0-1.0)	34.0 (17.0-70.0)	36.0 (17.0-70.0)
LCH	2 (1.4%)	2.0 (1.41)	1.5 (1.0-2.0)	21.0 (2.0-40.0)	17.0 (14.0-20.0)	1.0 (0-1.0)	38.0 (22.0-54.0)	38.0 (22.0-54.0)
Total cases median (IQR) [min-max]	138 (100%)	6.39 (4.51)	3.0 (1.0-7.0) [1-365]	14.5 (3.0-30.0) [1-300]	12.0 (8.0-17.25) [1-120]	1.0 (0-1.0) [1-60]	28.0 (15.0-51.0) [1-312]	30.0 (16.0-54.0) [7-313]

Results presented as days unless stated otherwise. \*Osteosarcoma + Ewing sarcoma. GCT = germ cell tumour; IQR = interquartile range; LCH = Langerhans cells histiocytosis; NHL = non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; RMS = rhabdomyosarcoma.