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Mike

Due to my lack of computer knowledge I am sending you a short note that hopefully can be attached to our website: -

The launch of the Newcastle University Centre for Childhood Cancer took place on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016, and was a moving experience for all who attended due to the enthusiasm of Professor Josef Vormoor, director of Cancer Research, and his dedicated team. Thanks to significant donations from national and local charities, including the Nineveh Charitable Trust (NCT), the Northern Institute for Cancer Research has sufficient funds to become the leading centre for childhood cancer research in the UK, as well as one of the strongest centres in Europe.

The NICR, through a combination of full time staff and PhD students, is planning more effective and less toxic therapies, at the same time concentrating on a more targeted approach to treatment.

1,600 children are diagnosed with cancer each year in the UK and it remains as the main cause of premature death in one to 15 year olds.

NCT welcomes the opportunity to be associated with Professor Vormoor and his team and to help in the achievement of their ambitions to extend paediatric oncology research for the benefit of children both in the UK and throughout the world.

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