Women opposed Exchange Center opens doors for cancer research

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Cancer: 20,000 new victims in Multnomah County; uncor: the second leading cause of death in our society; cancer: understanding it and curing the disease are now the goals of MIT's newest research center.

On October 1 the MIT Cancer Research Center will open its doors in the hope of curing a disease that scientists still do not understand. According to David Baltimore, recently appointed as American Cancer Society Professor of Microbiology, research today know that cancer cell grow uncontrollably and some times do form a lump or fill the bone marrow; however, they do not understand the reasons behind the growth.

"Trying to understand why the cells grow uncontrollably is a problem of practical importance and requires great scientific sophistication," Baltimore stated. "In effect, this combination is the fundamental reason that the National Institute of Health decided to fund the Center."

Presently, there are two major theories as to why the cells divide without control. The first assumes that cells normally repair each other's damage; the second argues that cells divide spontaneously and without control.

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