End Brain Cancer Initiative Partners with SonALAsense to Help Pediatric Patients with DIPG Access New Clinical Trial

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REDMOND, WA, USA, March 5, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/-- The End Brain Cancer Initiative (EBCI) is helping pediatric patients access a new clinical trial for Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) brain tumors. SonALAsense is currently recruiting patients for SDT-201, a Phase 1/2 Clinical Trial using Sonodynamic Therapy (SDT). SonALAsense's SDT is a noninvasive targeted combination of SONALA-001 (Intravenous Aminolevulinic Acid) and MR-guided focused ultrasound.

It was discovered that when glioma cells and other cancer cells were given large amounts of Aminolevulinic Acid (ALA), they glowed pink when exposed to blue light. This finding led to ALA becoming a commercially available product (Gleolan®) that is used as a visual aid by neurosurgeons to help them identify and surgically remove aggressive brain tumors. SonALAsense activates the same byproduct of ALA that makes cancer cells glow to kill the cancer cells using high-energy light in a process called photodynamic therapy (PDT).

There are three sites actively recruiting for this clinical trial: University of California in San Francisco, Children's National/Children's Research Institute in Washington DC, and Nicklaus Children's Hospital in Miami. Patients interested in enrolling in the SonALAsense SDT-201 Phase 1/2 Clinical Trial should fill out the form at https://app.hatchbuck.com/OnlineForm/93633623225 so that EBCI's Clinical Research Coordinator/Patient Navigator Shreya Prakash can reach back out to you to pre-qualify your child for this clinical trial and/or provide additional information to you.
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