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NCRI newsletter

Welcome to our latest newsletter (September 2015)

Earlier this week our Director Karen Kennedy was featured in the Treating Cancer supplement in *The Independent* newspaper, talking about the importance of collaboration in research.

In other news - our annual Conference in Liverpool is drawing closer and there's only one day left to register at standard rates. We're also proud to announce that our Conference Team has been shortlisted for a prestigious award.

Read on to find out more about these items and other research-related news from the NCRI Partnership and beyond.

Best wishes
The NCRI team

This issue's features

Raising awareness around the importance of collaboration in cancer research

NCRI Director Karen Kennedy talks about the importance of collaboration in research as part of Mediaplanet UK's 'Treating Cancer' campaign - launched this week in *The Independent* newspaper and online.

[Find out more...](#)

One day left to register for the NCRI Cancer Conference

Register before Friday 25 September to join hundreds of your colleagues who have already secured their place. And if you've already registered then we would like to hear from you. Let us know on LinkedIn or Twitter using #NCRI2015 what you're most looking forward to at the Conference.

[Find out more...](#)

Congratulations to the NCRI Conference Team

We're proud to announce that the NCRI Conference Team has been shortlisted for the Association of British Professional Conference Organisers (ABPCO) Award for Excellence as 'Best in-house conference organiser'. The final decision for the title will be made later in the year - we'll keep you posted.

[Find out more about ABPCO...](#)

Updates across NCRI activities

NCRI CSG Annual Reports 2014-15 - now available online

Over the past few months our 20 Clinical Studies Groups have been working to produce their annual reports. These have now been reviewed by a panel of experts including the NCRI Clinical Director, NCRI Head of Clinical Research Groups, clinical members of the NCRI Clinical & Translational Strategy Group, NIHR CRN: Cancer Specialty Leads and Special Advisors; and three NCRI Consumer Forum members. All reports are now available to download.

[Find out more...](#)

The NCRI Cancer Research Database data collection is now underway

We will once again be collecting research funding data from each of our Partners for the 2015 analysis of the NCRI Cancer Research Database. The data will be compiled and coded to be made available in March.

[Find out more...](#)

Proton Beam Therapy: NCRI Consumer Forum members get the lowdown

NCRI recently held an educational day for some of its Consumer Forum members on Proton Beam Therapy (PBT) - a current hot topic, and one in which NCRI's Clinical and Translational Radiotherapy Research Working Group (CTRad) is investing significant effort, to ensure the UK has a strategic and coordinated approach for generating high-quality research using PBT when the UK's first NHS PBT centre opens in 2018.

[Find out more...](#)

The International Cancer Research Partnership launches a new version of the cancer funding classification system

The ICRP recently launched a new version (v2) of the cancer classification system or Common Scientific Outline (CSO) - the system that NCRI also use to code funding awards in the NCRI Cancer Research Database. The ICRP website has been updated with the new version of the CSO, with improved guidelines, examples and a new powerpoint training guide for new coders.

[Find out more...](#)

Partner news

Bloodwise launch a new fellowship opportunity in Integrative Biology

Bloodwise has launched a new fellowship opportunity to support a postdoctoral researcher to further their training in big molecular data analysis in blood cancer research. The fellowship has been made possible via a funding partnership with 14M Genomics, a spin-out of the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute.

[Find out more...](#)

Ximbio: a new way to exchange knowledge and trade research reagents from Cancer Research Technology

Originating from Cancer Research Technology, the development and commercialisation arm of Cancer Research UK, Ximbio is a website for the life science community to exchange knowledge and trade research reagents such as mouse models, antibodies, cell lines and small molecules.

[Find out more...](#)

Update from the Combinations Alliance

Hazel Jones, Cancer Research UK's Head of Combination Therapies, talks to us about the latest collaborations and opportunities to get involved and explore the use of new therapies in combination strategies.

[Find out more...](#)

Highlights from Cancer Research UK's International Symposium on Oesophageal Cancer

In June this year, Cancer Research UK (CRUK) hosted its first ever international conference on oesophageal cancer. Highlights from the conference are summarised in CRUK's science blog.

[Find out more...](#)

Events and opportunities

[Cancer Research UK's Lung Cancer Screening and Early Diagnosis Event: Register your interest](#)

[Applications to become a Genomics England Clinical Interpretation Partnerships \(GeCIP\) domain are now open](#)

[UKCRC Tissue Directory and Coordination Centre and ESBB event: The Coordination of Biobanking in the UK. 29 September](#)

[NCRI CTRad and the Royal College of Radiologists joint Clinical Trials workshop. 14 October](#)

[Association of Medical Research Charities \(AMRC\) are seeking three trustees including an honorary treasurer. Nominations are open until 16 October](#)

[Prostate Cancer UK's Movember Foundation Translational Research Grants in Biomarkers. Apply by 19 October](#)

[Innovate UK's Small Business Research Initiative \(SBRI\): competition in stratified medicine is open to register until 28 October](#)

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