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Greetings!

Welcome to the December issue of the NCRI newsletter. We have a round up of updates across NCRI's activities including the NCRI Director's top 10 highlights of 2015. Read on to find out more and for other research-related news from the NCRI Partnership and beyond.

With very best wishes for the festive season and new year.

The NCRI Team

This issue's features

NCRI's top 10 highlights of 2015

From hosting the UK's largest cancer research meeting to launching a game changing initiative in pathology, 2015 has been a busy year. NCRI Director Karen Kennedy picks her 'top 10' NCRI highlights for 2015.

[Find out more](#)

Updates across NCRI activities

NCRI Future of Surgery workshop series: registration now open for the first workshop

NCRI and the Royal College of Surgeons of England present *"Trials are only as credible as their endpoints": defining the future outcomes of surgical research*. This interactive workshop will provide guidance on outcomes of surgical cancer trials, and takes place in London on 4 May 2016. To attend, please register by 4 April.

[Find out more](#)

Congratulations to the NCRI Cancer Conference Team

The NCRI Cancer Conference Team was shortlisted for the Association of British Professional Conference Organisers (ABPCO) Award for Excellence as 'Best in-house conference organiser'. We're pleased to report that the team made it through to the final, and received the 2015 ABPCO best in-house Conference organiser finalist award earlier this month.

[Find out more about ABPCO](#)

New clips on NCRI's YouTube

We're adding more videos from the 2015 NCRI Cancer Conference to our YouTube channel. There are already some new additions on there; NCRI Director Karen Kennedy talks about the work of the NCRI, and Professor Charles Swanton recaps on some of his Conference highlights.

[Visit our YouTube channel](#)

Partner news

UK Breast Cancer Research Symposium 22nd - 23rd July 2016: register for early bird tickets

This conference offers a programme led by UK and international experts exploring the interface of the lab and clinic. Buy your early bird ticket now for the opportunity to network, share ideas and discuss cutting-edge research. CPD approval has been sought from the Federation Royal Colleges of Physicians and notification will be provided once approval has been granted.

[Find out more](#)

Launch of ECMC Quinquennial Review

The Experimental Cancer Medicine Centre (ECMC) have announced the launch of their Quinquennial Review for the period of 2017-2022. The Expression of Interest (Eoi) call is now open to accepting applications for ECMC status for the upcoming quinquennium. Eols should be made by 18 March 2016.

[Find out more](#)

Appointment of Chief Scientific Adviser with the Research and Development Portfolio for the Department of Health

Professor Chris Whitty has been appointed as Chief Scientific Adviser, with the Research and Development Portfolio for the Department of Health. Professor Whitty will take up his new post during December.

[Find out more](#)

Competition to host Wellcome Trust Clinical PhD programmes - now open

From 2016, the Wellcome Trust will provide support for clinical PhD training through a portfolio of PhD programmes run by institutions, rather than awards to individual PhD studentships.

Applications to host a clinical PhD programme are welcome across the breadth of research supported by the Trust. The preliminary application deadline is 25 January 2016.

[Find out more](#)

Northern Ireland Genomics Medicine Centre

Northern Ireland's Health Minister has announced £3.3million investment to create a Northern Ireland Genomics Medicine Centre (NIGMC) that will provide rare disease patients with an earlier and more accurate diagnosis. It involves a partnership with NHS England, Genomics England Limited and the contribution of £750,000 funding from the UK Medical Research Council.

[Find out more](#)

Reports, publications and resources

New report highlights low levels of palliative and end of life care research funding in the UK

NCRI collects research funding data from its Partners in the NCRI Cancer Research Database. In collaboration with Marie Curie, the NCRI carried out an analysis of this data on palliative and end of life care research funding in the UK. The recent report summarises these findings, and the impact of Marie Curie's own investment on the UK research landscape in palliative and end of life care.

[Find out more](#)

NIHR's first themed review of end of life care research

NIHR launches its first themed review of end of life care research. The review, entitled *Better Endings*, explores published and on going NIHR research in to providing care for those approaching the end of their life.

[Find out more](#)

Progressing clinical academic careers in the UK

A Medical Research Council (MRC)-led review exploring the experiences of early-career clinical academics across the UK has been recently published. The review details the experiences of more than 400 clinicians who applied for clinical research training fellowships or clinical scientist fellowships from the MRC, the Academy of Medical Sciences, the British Heart Foundation, Cancer Research UK, the National Institute for Health Research or the Wellcome Trust.

[Find out more](#)

Public Health Wales's new research strategy

The newly launched research strategy from Public Health Wales aims to develop research capability. Over the next three years Public Health Wales will work to create an environment that encourages and supports research activity, stronger collaborations with partners across the wider public health system and sustainable translational pathways for research evidence.

[Find out more](#)

Events and opportunities

[Health and Care Research Wales funding opportunity. Apply by 1pm 16 Dec](#)

[Myeloma UK call for Health Services Research proposals. Apply by 31 Dec](#)

[Marie Curie 2016 call for applications. Apply by 14 Jan](#)

[NIHR Fellowships Programme 2016. Apply by 1pm 20 Jan](#)

[Applications for BMA research grants for medical practitioners now open](#)

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