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NCRI newsletter

Greetings!

A few weeks ago NCRI held its annual Winter Meeting, bringing together key stakeholders in the cancer research community to catch-up on our work. It was an inspiring meeting, with lots of shared insights and ideas - you can read about the highlights below. We also have a round-up of updates across NCRI, including an announcement about our new initiative in Cellular Molecular Pathology. Read on to find out more and for other research-related news from the NCRI Partnership and beyond.

Best wishes
The NCRI Team

This issue's features

Highlights from our 2016 Winter Meeting

The 2016 NCRI Winter Meeting brought together NCRI Trustees, senior representatives from NCRI Partner organisations, industry stakeholders, patient representatives, and other key stakeholders in the field of cancer research. It is one of two annual meetings that provide the opportunity to catch-up on NCRI's work and steer the future direction through shared insights and ideas.

[Read the highlights](#)

Updates across NCRI activities

Dr Karin Oien appointed Chair of NCRI's new initiative in Cellular Molecular Pathology

Following agreement of funding for the new NCRI Cellular Molecular Pathology (CM-Path) initiative and a recruitment call for key roles in the initiative at the end of last year, we are now delighted to announce that Dr Karin Oien, Clinical Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant in Pathology, University of Glasgow, has been appointed as CM-Path Chair. Karin speaks to us about her new role and what she's most looking forward to in our latest 60-second interview.

[Find out more](#)

Need advice on your trial proposal? NCRI's Advisory Groups can help

The NCRI Advisory Groups offer specialist advice and peer review for trial proposals or ideas in the areas of Molecular Biomarkers, Imaging, and Screening Prevention & Early Diagnosis (SPED). The Groups are made up of clinicians and researchers who have specialist knowledge in these areas; they give advice to help strengthen a proposal and make it as robust as possible before submission to a funding committee. The Advisory Groups are 'open for business' and encourage you to get in touch with your trial ideas.

[Find out more](#)

New members appointed to the NCRI Clinical Studies Groups

We have appointed 30 new members to 10 of our NCRI Clinical Studies Groups (CSGs). Members are recruited from a variety of scientific disciplines and membership is refreshed annually for each Group to ensure there is a good balance of expertise on the Groups. The next round of recruitment is due to take place in early summer 2016.

[View membership of the NCRI CSGs](#)

The NCRI Consumer Forum: recruitment update

NCRI regularly recruits new consumer members to participate in its activities. Consumer involvement ensures that the voice of patients, carers and others affected by cancer can shape our activities. New membership ensures our consumer representation is relevant and bringing a fresh outlook. NCRI Consumer Lead, Richard Stephens, provides an update on the latest round of consumer recruitment.

[Find out more](#)

Partner and research news

Launch of the UKCRC Tissue Directory

The UK Clinical Research Collaboration (UKCRC) Tissue Directory and Coordination Centre have launched their Tissue Directory 1.0, which is being developed to hold the information for tissue sample collections across the UK.

[Find out more](#)

Recently launched: The Breast Cancer Now Catalyst Programme

The Breast Cancer Now Catalyst Programme is an initiative which aims to bring together Europe's leading breast cancer researchers and the world's leading pharmaceutical companies to pool resources in tackling breast cancer.

[Find out more](#)

New Chief Executive for the ABPI

Mike Thompson has been appointed as Chief Executive of The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI), effective 1 March 2016.

[Find out more](#)

Cancer Research UK appoints new Trustee

Cancer Research UK has announced the appointment of Professor Sir Bruce Ponder as a Trustee.

[Find out more](#)

Work of ECMCs celebrated for World Cancer Day

In a recent blog post to mark World Cancer Day, NIHR highlights the contributions to cancer research of the Experimental Cancer Medicine Centres (ECMCs), which it co-funds alongside Cancer Research UK and the Departments of Health for England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

[Find out more](#)

Reports, publications and resources

The Research Councils 2014/15 impact reports

The Research Councils have published their impact reports for the 2014/2015 financial year. Each Research Council has produced its own report, showcasing specific examples of the impact of investment through their various awards, programmes and collaborations.

[Find out more](#)

NIHR review: benefits of engaging in health research

A recent NIHR review found positive evidence that engaging clinicians and healthcare organisations in research is linked to improvements in the delivery of healthcare.

[Find out more](#)

Events and opportunities

[Cancer Research UK's Postdoctoral Research Bursary for Clinical Trainees. Apply by 8 March](#)

[L'OREAL-UNESCO For Women in Science UK & Ireland Fellowships Programme. Apply by 11 March](#)

[Tenovus Cancer Care: applications to the Research Advisory Group. Apply by 16 March](#)

[PHE Cancer Data and Outcomes Conference 2016 in association with UKIACR: Registration opens 7 March. Abstract submission open until 17 March](#)

[4th Symposium on molecular pathology in oncology. London, 17 March.](#)

[Call for proposals - NCRI's SPED workshop to help investigators develop ideas for studies in Screening, Prevention or Early Diagnosis. Submit by 25 March](#)

[Abstract submission now open for the UK Breast Cancer Research Symposium 2016. Submit by 1 April](#)

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