



NCRI Newsletter

Dear<<First Name>>,

On 25 April we launched our new five year NCRI Strategy with a successful event at the House of Lords. It outlines the ways in which we will all continue to work together to improve health and quality of life by accelerating progress in cancer-related research, through collaboration. [Download a copy of the strategy here.](#)

Alongside the launch, we have updated some of our web pages to help visitors find out more about the NCRI and to help us to achieve our strategic goals. [Explore the new pages here.](#)

Furthermore, we have lots of exciting news, events, and opportunities to share from our Partners.

We also include a survey where we hope to capture your views on this newsletter - [please help us to improve our newsletter by completing it.](#)

Visit our [website](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#) to keep abreast of developments and for further details of upcoming workshops, meetings and events.

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NCRI Updates



NCRI launches new five year strategy

We've launched our new five year strategy - Accelerating cancer research: A strategy for collaboration between cancer research funders in the UK (2017-22).

[Click here to read more and download the strategy.](#)

New NCRI web pages

We're pleased to announce the launch of new web pages and layout on the NCRI website, bringing a fresh look to the information that we provide our Partners and the public. We hope that these new pages will help you to find information you need to collaborate on cancer-related research.

[Click here to explore the new pages.](#)



NCRI: Living With and Beyond Cancer initiative launch

We are pleased to announce we have launched our new initiative on Living With and Beyond Cancer research. Working with several NCRI Partners, we will identify top research priorities relevant to people living with and beyond cancer through a James Lind Alliance Priority Setting Partnership exercise, help the research community compete for funding

and evaluate the NCRI Clinical Studies Groups structure supporting research in this area.

[Click here to find out more about our initiative.](#)

60 seconds with... Vee Mapunde, Associate Consumer Lead for our NCRI Consumer Forum

We involve people affected by cancer in all of our activities where they add value (we call them Consumers). Vee Mapunde is the Associate Consumer Lead for the NCRI Consumer Forum and tells about the importance of her role and the ways that the Consumer Forum supports all of our work.



[Click here to read the full interview with Vee.](#)



Opportunity for patients and others affected by cancer to join NCRI's Clinical Studies Groups

Do you have a strong interest in cancer research? Are you passionate about the patient experience? If you have recently experienced cancer as a patient or carer and want to help shape the development of research trials for cancer patients, then we'd like to hear from you. We are recruiting new Consumer members to several of our Clinical Studies Groups. **Apply by 5 June 2017.**

Here at the National Cancer Research Institute (NCRI) we involve patients and carers (Consumers) at all stages of our work, which include developing clinical trials and high quality studies exploring a range of treatment approaches for specific cancer types.

[Click here to find out more about ways to get involved.](#)

Help us to improve this newsletter

Please complete a short survey (3 – 5 minutes) to help us to improve this NCRI newsletter, and make sure that it contains the content that you will find most useful each month.



[Click here to complete our survey.](#)

Conference news



2017 NCRI Cancer Conference: Earlybird registration and abstract submission open on 3 April

Join us in Liverpool 5-8 November 2017 for the 13th annual NCRI Cancer Conference where you will hear about the most recent advances in oncological research, gain further insight into state-of-the-art technologies, and develop new collaborations with colleagues from around the world.

To register and submit an abstract visit [NCRI Cancer Conference website](#)

Partner news



Breast Cancer Now - Apply for Project and PhD grants

Breast Cancer Now are inviting Project and PhD grant applications. If you're a breast cancer researcher based anywhere in the UK or Ireland, you could be eligible for a Project or PhD award to support your work. The deadline for grant applications is Friday 30 June 2017

[Find out more](#)



Cancer Research UK - Instant seed-funding for research into physical activity for cancer prevention

Over three days, participants explore cancer challenges, build new collaborations and develop a pitch for innovative research ideas to promote physical activity as a means of cancer prevention. Successful teams will be awarded up to £20,000 seed-funding to conduct pilot work for 12 months.

Workshop dates 25-28 June 2017 at the Oxford Belfry Hotel in Oxfordshire. Applications closing 12 May 2017.

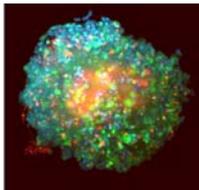
[Visit the CRUK website for further information](#)



Macmillan Cancer Support calls on researchers to apply for grants of up to £250,000

Researchers with proposals for projects that will benefit people living with cancer can now apply for a grant of up to £250,000 from Macmillan Cancer Support. Macmillan open their research grants scheme to applications from UK-based researchers until 8 May.

[Find out more](#)



Breast Cancer Now - Breast Cancer Research Image competition 2017

Breast Cancer Now are excited to announce the return of their scientific image competition, in partnership with the leading journal, Breast Cancer Research. They welcome submissions from any image that describes some

aspect of breast cancer research and ask that submitters are affiliated with a research institution or hospital.

Closing date: Friday 9 June 2017

[Visit the Breast Cancer Now website for more information.](#)



Care and support
through terminal illness

Marie Curie announces recipients of latest research funding

Marie Curie, together with the Motor Neurone Disease Association and Chief Scientist Office Scotland, have funded nine new research studies that aim to improve the quality of palliative and end of life care for people with terminal illness. The research grants will help to address the priorities identified by the Palliative and end of life care Priority Setting Partnership.

The 2017 call for applications opens w/c 24 April 2017.

[Read more here.](#)



Cancer Research UK survey: Experiences of cancer alongside other mental or physical health conditions

Around 1000 people in the UK are diagnosed with cancer every day. Many of these people also have other long-term mental or physical health conditions. If this is you, please share your experience with Cancer Research UK. They want to understand how this affects patients, and if something can be done to better support cancer patients with other health conditions.

[Find out more here.](#)

Upcoming events and opportunities

NCRI Haematological Oncology CSG Annual Trials Meeting: 10 May 2017

The NCRI Haematological Oncology CSG are holding an Annual Trials Meeting on 10 May 2017 at the Royal College of Physicians, London. The aim of the meeting is to provide a summary of current trials in the national portfolio. Key trials will be reviewed and opportunities and challenges across haematological oncology research will be discussed. The meeting will cover blood cancer research for adults only.

Deadline 28 April 2017 to reserve your place.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Register for Shine Connect 2017 – The UK's Young Adult Cancer Conference: 20 May 2017

Shine Cancer Support is organising a conference on 20 May at the King's Fund, London focusing on providing information and support to adults in their 20s, 30s and 40s with cancer. It's open to younger adults, their partner/family and also healthcare professionals.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

British Thoracic Oncology Group & NCRI Lung Cancer CSG Trials Meeting: 16 June 2017

The joint NCRI and British Thoracic Oncology Group (BTOG) Lung Cancer Trials Meeting is on 16 June 2017 at the Cavendish Conference Centre, London. The meeting will focus on current topics in lung cancer research and provide an overview of the lung cancer trials national portfolio.

[Click here to register.](#)

Save the date: Interdisciplinary Breast Cancer Symposium, 15-16 January 2018

Breast Cancer Now, in Partnership with the NCRI, are hosting the first UK Interdisciplinary Breast Cancer Symposium exploring the latest advances in research and treatments. The symposium will be held at the Manchester Central Conference Centre, 15-16 January 2018.

Patient Representative role for upcoming Immunology research workshop

Cancer Research UK are collaborating with Arthritis Research UK to run an innovative immunology research workshop in July.

By 12 May 2017 they would like to recruit two patient representatives to attend the workshop. Your role will involve feeding into the research design, helping researchers to ensure a focus on patient benefit, and feeding into the funding decisions as part of their funding panel.

[Click here for more information and to register your interest.](#)

International Clinical Trials Day – 20 May 2017

Every year, the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) promotes International Clinical Trials Day on 20 May. This is a special day to celebrate clinical research all over the world, and highlight the important impact research has had on medicine to date.

2017 is a particularly exciting year, because the NIHR are launching a new national campaign: I Am

Research.

[Find out more about the campaign and how to get involved.](#)



Wales Cancer Conference

The Wales Cancer Conference is being held in Cardiff on 23 & 24 November 2017. This conference will bring together the professional cancer community from across research and clinical disciplines. The programme will include a line-up of some of the UK's top cancer experts, ranging from preclinical scientists to seasoned clinicians. Confirmed speakers include Sir Harpal Kumar and Prof Andrew Hughes.

[Find out more about the conference here.](#)



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