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NCRI Newsletter

Welcome to our May newsletter.

For all those heading to ASCO this week, we hope you have a fruitful conference. [NCRI will be there](#) and we'll be keeping up with the latest research being presented via [Twitter](#).

On 20 May we celebrated International Clinical Trials Day. We were proud to support NIHR's #BePartofResearch social media campaign and also to launch our countdown of the top ten key achievements of [NCRI's CTRad, our Radiotherapy Research Group, which is celebrating ten years](#) this year and has made a massive contribution to radiotherapy trials and research in the UK.

Earlier in the month we were delighted to hear that so many of the experts we work with through NCRI activities and initiatives were recognised in the [Academy of Medical Sciences Fellowship elections](#). Congratulations to all! And also many congratulations to Prof. David Sebag-Montefiore, Chair of NCRI's CTRad - he was awarded the [2019 Gold Medal by the Royal College of Radiologists \(RCR\)](#) - the highest honour that can be awarded to a Fellow of the RCR.

We have a host of other news, opportunities and updates from NCRI and the wider partnership. Read on for more.

And if you work in Communications and fancy a new challenge then please check out our latest opportunity - we're [recruiting for a Communications Manager](#) to join the NCRI Team.

With best wishes.
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NCRI news



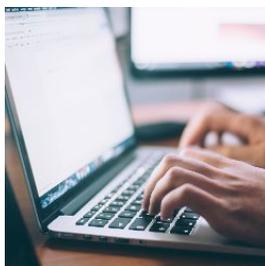
Celebrating ten years of CTRad

NCRI's Radiotherapy Research Group (CTRAd) is one of NCRI's flagship initiatives and this June we will be celebrating its ten year anniversary. Since 2009, CTRAd has provided leadership in the national effort to enhance radiotherapy research and has transformed this environment to make the UK a leader in the global effort to improve outcomes for cancer patients through radiotherapy.

[Find out more](#)

NCRI experts amongst Academy of Medical Sciences new Fellows

We'd like to congratulate all those we work with who were appointed as Fellows of the Academy of Medical Sciences earlier this month, including Prof Andrew Tutt of the Breast Cancer Now Research Centre at the ICR and member of our Strategy Advisory Group. Other members of our



Groups included Prof Rob Bristow, Prof Jonathan Ledermann, Prof Timothy Eisen and Prof John Radford.

[See all of the elected Fellows](#)

NCRI at ASCO 2019

NCRI will be at ASCO this year. Our CEO, Iain Frame, and our Research Groups Manager, Andrea McConnell, will be there along with a host of experts who work with NCRI through our activities and initiatives. If you would like to catch up with Iain or Andrea whilst there, then please get in touch. We'll also be keeping up-to-date with the latest research being presented throughout the meeting on Twitter @NCRI_Partners.

[Visit the ASCO meeting website](#)

[Follow us on Twitter](#)

Chair and Deputy Chair vacancies

Our pathology initiative, CM-Path, is seeking a Chair and Deputy Chair effective from September 2019. Applicants are expected to have established reputations in their fields and an enthusiasm for innovation, a commitment to seeing improvements in academic pathology and clinical delivery to feed through to better outcomes for patients. The closing date for applications is 9 June 2019.

[Find out more and apply](#)

NCRI Group survey on development of Teenage and Young Adults research

Our Teenage and Adults and Germ Cell Tumours Group are interested to hear how they can further meet the needs of clinical colleagues when designing, implementing and disseminating the Group's portfolio of research.

[Take part in the survey](#)

NCRI events



2019 NCRI Cancer Conference

Submit your abstract by 9 June

Submit your abstract and get a chance to showcase your work to the UK and international research community, receive feedback from your peers, and win prestigious research prizes and awards. You also have the opportunity to be published in a supplement of the British Journal of Cancer.

[Submit your abstract](#)

Take advantage of the early bird discount

Take advantage of the early bird discount to attend the UK's largest cancer research meeting. Book by 9 June to **save up to £200!** By booking your place at the Conference you will get to discover the latest advances in

cancer research, network with leading oncology professionals and develop collaborations with your peers.

[Register now!](#)



Register for NCRI Clinical Trial Unit Group Annual Meeting

The NCRI Clinical Trial Unit (CTU) Group Annual Meeting will take place on Monday 17 June in London. Topics will include:

- Innovative methodological outputs from flagship UK trials.
- An update on the Experimental Cancer Medicine Centres (ECMC) multi-stakeholder conduct of platform trials project.
- Key lessons learnt from challenging international collaborative trials.
- An update from The National Cancer Registration and Analysis Service (NCRAS) on routinely collected data.
- Identifying the right patient for the drug: The importance of Good Clinical Practice standards for biomarker analysis and biobanking in cancer trials.

A continuing professional development certificate will be provided after the meeting.

[Find out more and register](#)

Partner news and opportunities



The Early Detection of Cancer Conference

This annual event, a collaboration between Cancer Research UK, the Knight Cancer Institute at OHSU and Canary Center at Stanford University, returns 24-26 September and this year will be hosted by the Canary Center. The organising committee, led by Ashok Venkitaraman, Sharon Pitteri and Bree Mitchell, has put together an exciting and progressive agenda covering integrative early detection through multiple technologies; understanding susceptibility for early detection; looking for signals in the immune system and microenvironment; and making prognoses from early detection signals.

[Find out more and register](#)



MAP 2019: registration now open

The Molecular Analysis for Personalised therapy Congress returns 7-9 November 2019 and this year is taking place in London. A partnership between Cancer Research UK, ESMO and Unicancer, the event convenes the very latest thinking in the field of precision medicine in oncology. The programme includes Andrew Biankin on pancreatic cancer, Sergio Quezada on clonal diversity of the T cell repertoire in lung cancer and many more.

[Find out more and register](#)

Annual conference: future directions of hospice care

This joint meeting between the Royal Society of Medicine and Marie Curie will take place on 14 October in London. It will highlight relevant research into hospice care and support the translation of research findings into practice. This year, the focus is on the future of hospice care in the UK,



Care and support
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Major Awards: Immunology and Immunotherapy

Prostate Cancer UK invites UK-based researchers to submit applications to their Major Awards: Immunology and Immunotherapy funding scheme. They're looking for exciting research proposals investigating the immunology of prostate cancer and strategies to increase the success of immunotherapeutic approaches for men with prostate cancer. Deadline for submission of application is 12 noon, 22 July.

[Find out more](#)



Tenovus Cancer Care Research Strategy Grant funding opportunity

Tenovus Cancer Care brings practical advice, emotional support and treatment to the community. Their Research Strategy Grants invites applications to address identified priority themes to advance their services and activity provision. Applications are open to Wales based lead applicants for two years of research funding up to £60,000. Deadline Monday 24 June

[Find out more](#)

Other news and opportunities



Call for Mission Board members for cancer mission

The European Commission has announced a call for applications for members of the five Horizon Europe Mission Boards. The Missions in Horizon Europe will be high-ambition, high-profile initiatives with the aim to deliver a transformative impact for society, the economy and/or environment, in relation to the challenges faced by European citizens. One of these missions will be cancer.

[Find out more](#)



Launch of Early Diagnosis Research Alliance

Pancreatic Cancer UK has launched an Early Diagnosis Research Alliance. The Alliance will support dozens of the brightest research minds from institutions across the UK to drive down the time to diagnosis for people with pancreatic cancer. They will do this through the close collaboration between four key specialist areas in the delivery of early diagnosis.

[Find out more](#)



RCR Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships

The Royal College of Radiologists Summer Undergraduate Fellowships in Clinical Oncology are open for applications. They aim to provide medical students with a unique opportunity to undertake an eight-week research project in the field of academic clinical oncology during their early years of study. Closing date for applications is 5pm 7 June.

[Find out more](#)



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