SWOG Audit Recap

UC–NCORP,

I am pleased to announce a successful SWOG audit. The auditors complimented our NCORP on data timeliness, excellent chart organization, and prompt turnaround time for questions and documents needed. The final audit report should be issued within 4–6 weeks and upon receipt we will disseminate to site administrators. Be sure to join our next affiliate call on October 28, 2021 as we will be reviewing feedback from the auditors. Thank you to all sites for their hard work in preparation for the audit.

Kelsey

Newly Activated Studies

These studies have recently activated. More information about a particular study can be found on CTSU.

- **S1934**: NASSIST (Neoadjuvant Chemoradiation +/- Immunotherapy Before Surgery for Superior Sulcus Tumors): A Randomized Phase II Trial of Trimodality +/- Atezolizumab in Resectable Superior Sulcus Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer.

- **A021901**: Randomized Phase II Trial of Lutetium Lu 177 Dotatate Versus Everolimus in Somatostatin Receptor
Positive Bronchial Neuroendocrine Tumors

- **ARST 2031**: A Randomized Phase 3 Trial of Vinorelbine, Dactinomycin, and Cyclophosphamide (VINO–AC) Plus Maintenance Chemotherapy with Vinorelbine and Oral Cyclophosphamide (VINO–CPO) vs Vincristine, Dactinomycin and Cyclophosphamide (VAC) Plus VINO–CPO Maintenance in Patients with High Risk Rhabdomyosarcoma (HR–RMS)

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**Coordinator / Affiliate Call**
**Thursday, October 28 at 3PM**

Click to join
Wake Forest Fall Meeting
October 3-5
Virtual

Register Here

SWOG Fall Meeting
October 12-16
Virtual

Register Here

ECOG-ACRIN Fall Meeting
October 20-22
Virtual

Register Here

The Cancer Letter

September 24, 2021

NIH TELLS CONGRESS IT LACKED AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE WHISTLEBLOWER COMPLAINTS ABOUT ALEX CRONHEY'S SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Women who report sexual harassment to NIH are told that these complaints may become public and they are left to handle their careers alone. (Cancer Letter)

September 3, 2021

KAREN KNUDSEN DESCRIBES HER VISION FOR ACS

K. K. Knudsen, President-elect and incoming American Cancer Society, Karen Knudsen was in Bogotá, COI checking out the El Pez Lodge—her first stop on the cancer control tour de force.

September 17, 2021

EPIC EHR DATA: CANCER SCREENING RATES RISE IN 2021 DESPITE EASING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS

Bacterial screening procedures for tumors, colon, and cervical cancer in the first half of 2021 rose to record levels. Fully active in all four health care facilities, women are more likely to receive cancer screenings.

September 10, 2021

NCI REQUESTS $3.6B FOR FY2023 TO INCREASE R01 PAYLINES TO 9TH PERCENTILE

NCI is requesting an appropriation of $3.6 billion for fiscal year 2023—a 10% increase over the Trump FY2020 proposed budget for NCI.
Under-Represented Populations
## Underrepresented Populations

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## CCDR Corner

WF 30917CD has closed to accrual!!
Thanks for everyone's hard work

### CCDR Registrations GY3 (Aug 2021) = 2

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Imagine enrolling all your Head and Neck survivors onto WF-1805CD HN STAR…

WF-1805CD HN STAR: The central hypothesis of this protocol is that the use of HN-STAR will improve patient-centered outcomes (including head and neck cancer-specific quality of life) and receipt of guideline-concordant care compared to usual. Enroll to HN STAR and earn YOUR star on the UC-NCORP Walk of Fame!

Smiling Faces

Heather Farmer, Regulatory Accepted Position as Research Compliance Manager at SRHS!

Diving into Disparities

The Cancer Moonshot Biobank:
Community Engagement and Outreach Efforts

National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month is observed every September by health experts, researchers, health advocates, and individuals concerned with men’s prostate health and prostate cancer. With continuous cancer research and treatment, prostate cancer is one of the most diagnosed cancer types. Unfortunately, many factors contribute to racial disparities in prostate cancer survival (Wen, Luckenbaugh, Bayley, Penson, & Shu, 2021).

In South Carolina, African Americans experience higher cancer incidence and mortality rates than other populations (SC Cancer Alliance, SC DHEC). More specifically, prostate cancer is more prevalent and more deadly for African American men than white men. Therefore, with the desire and passion for positively impacting the harsh realities of cancer disparities, Spartanburg Medical Center and Gibbs Cancer Center – Pelham are participating in the NCI Cancer Moonshot Biobank protocol. The Moonshot Biobank protocol enrolls patients receiving standard of care treatment who are willing to provide longitudinal biospecimens. The goal of Moonshot is to advance the understanding of cancer and accelerate its treatment. As a participating site, one of our goals is to increase African American patient enrollment onto clinical trials and the Moonshot Biobank, specifically those with prostate cancer and multiple myeloma.

UC–NCORP’s team at Gibbs Cancer Center formed partnerships with community members and leaders throughout the Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System to form the Community Advisory Council (CAC). The Council collaborates with the Clinical Research Division NCORP team, the Spartanburg Regional Office of Diversity, Spartanburg Regional Foundation, and Access Health Spartanburg. The CAC’s mission is to inform the cancer research team through meaningful, authentic dialogue to build knowledge, advance cancer research, increase clinical trial participation, and improve outcomes in underrepresented communities.

Please see below a list of community members
Do you have any staff you would like highlighted in The Connector? Please submit it by the 15th of the month to Alaina: akennedy@srhs.com

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