

CLINICAL TRIALS NETWORK ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 2006

NEW August 2006 HCC Investigator- Initiated Catalogue

A new clinical trial has been added to the HCC Investigator-Initiated Catalogue. The brochure is attached for your review. If you are interested in participating in any of the trials listed, please contact the Network Office at hccrnet@musc.edu or 843-792-1753.

CLINICAL TRIALS NETWORK WEBSITE

The Network members worktools website has been under construction. If you need access to frequently used forms or tools or other protocol documents or tools, please contact the Network office. More information about the updated member's website will be released.

HCC is teaming up with LCACRP for the September 30th Research Symposium

Mark your calendars for Saturday September 30th Research Symposium. Attached is the flyer with program details. Please register through the Network office. Space is limited. For more information contact the Network office.

CLINICAL TRIALS NETWORK CLINICAL TRIAL ACTIVATIONS

Protocol: **NSABP-B 39- A Randomized Phase III Study of Conventional Whole Breast Irradiation (WBI) vs. Partial Breast Irradiation (PBI) for Women with Stage 0, I, II Breast Cancer**

Network Member:

Georgetown Hospital System Radiation Therapy Center

Protocol: **VELCADE (bortezomib) for Injection Therapy for Early Relapsed Prostate Cancer, CTO 100822**, Andrew S. Kraft, MD

Participating Network Members:

South Carolina Oncology Associates, P.A.

Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System

Protocol: **A Phase II Study of XELOX in Locally Advanced or Metastatic Gastric Cancer, CTO 100829**, Uzair Chaudhary, MD

Participating Network Members:

South Carolina Oncology Associates, P.A.

Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System

Protocol: **Phase II Study of Gemcitabine and CPT-11 (Irinotecan) in Locally Advanced and Metastatic Bladder Cancer, CTO 100730**, Uzair Chaudhary, MD

Participating Network Member:

Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System

CLINICAL TRIALS NEWS

Clinical Trials Network members may access a number of research studies through the HCC Network. Below are links to the current clinical trials available. Sites who have affiliate cooperative group memberships through HCC may access all available studies as offered by the cooperative group. For more information about activating a Research Network clinical trial, please contact the Research Network Office at 843-792-1753 or email at hccrnet@musc.edu

HCC Investigator Initiated Trials

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To request more information about this clinical trial. Please contact the Network Office at 843-792-1753 or hccrnet@musc.edu. A confidentiality agreement will be faxed to your site. Upon completion, protocol and model consents will be provided for review.

Cooperative Group Studies

Below please find a listing of newly activated cooperative group trials activated between August 2, 2006 and August 15, 2006. If you would like to review any of the protocols listed below, please review the information on the cooperative group websites or contact the Network office.

ACOSOG (www.acosog.org)

No newly activated studies

CTSU (www.ctsu.org)

E3805 - "CHAARTED: ChemoHormonal Therapy versus Androgen Ablation Randomized Trial for Extensive Disease in Prostate Cancer."

N0574 - "Phase III Randomized Trial of the Role of Whole Brain Radiation Therapy in Addition to Radiosurgery in Patients with One to Three Cerebral Metastases."

GOG (www.gog.org)

No newly activated studies

NSABP (www.nsabp.pitt.edu)

No newly activated studies

RTOG (www.rtog.org)

No newly activated studies

SWOG (www.swog.org)

S0421- "Phase III Study of Docetaxel and Atrasentan Versus Docetaxel and Placebo for Patients with Advanced Hormone Refractory Prostate Cancer."

S0506 - "Phase II Trial of PS-341 (Bortezomib, NSC-681239) Followed by the Addition of Gemcitabine at Progression in Recurrent or Metastatic Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma."

S0536 - "A Phase II Trial of Combination Carboplatin, Paclitaxel, Cetuximab and Bevacizumab (NSC-704865) Followed by Cetuximab and Bevacizumab in Patients with Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer."

S0601 - "A Phase II Study of Combination Rituximab-CHOP and Bortezomib (Velcade®) (R-CHOP-V) Induction Therapy Followed by Bortezomib Maintenance (VM) Therapy for Patients With Newly Diagnosed Mantle Cell Lymphoma."

All Active Clinical Trials at Hollings Cancer Center

A current list of all active clinical trials available through the HCC Clinical Trials Office is now available on-line.

http://hcc.musc.edu/patient/clinical_trials/active_clinical_trials.cfm . The list includes all investigator-initiated, cooperative group and pharmaceutical sponsored studies. If you would like one of your patients evaluated, or if you would like additional information about a clinical trial, please contact the Network coordinator at hccrnet@musc.edu

You can also quickly view our most recently activated trials in the News/Events section of the web site: http://hcc.musc.edu/news_events/news .

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

LCACRP Research Symposium

Date: Saturday September 30

Place: Medical University of South Carolina

Mark your calendars for Saturday September 30th Research Symposium. Attached is the flyer with program details. Please register through the Network office. Registration is free through the Network, however space is limited. For more information contact the Network office.

ACRP Annual Fall Conference for the Greater Charlotte Association of Clinical Research Professionals

Date: October 13, 2006

Place: Charlotte Marriot SouthPark, Charlotte, NC

A conference addressing managing budgets, financial pitfalls, medicare fraud and more. For more information, visit the ACRP website at www.acrpnet.org

Annual Fall Piedmont Oncology Association Meeting

Date: October 26-28

Place: Charleston, SC

The Wake Forest University Cancer Center leadership has invited the HCC and Network members to join them at their annual fall Piedmont Oncology Association Meeting to be held in Charleston, SC. The October 26th will consist of a clinical trial seminar focused on how investigators can increase accruals to clinical trials. Discussion will cover overcoming challenges for frequently encountered problems with participating in clinical trials. October 27-28 is the POA semi-Annual meeting that includes internationally recognized guest speakers presenting information related to the diagnosis and treatment of malignant diseases, their complications, and controversial issues. A summary of objectives is described below. They have generously offered to extend the MD member rate for our faculty of \$175 and associate rate of \$125 for our fellows, nurses or clinical research managers. See attached brochure. For registration information and questions, please contact the Network office at hccrnet@musc.edu or 843-792-1753.

Patient Education

Cancer Care Series

A listing of featured programs is available by logging onto www.cancercare.orgteewarchives or calling 1-888-337-7533. Register online at www.cancercare.org or call cancer care at 1-800-813-HOPE.

Colorectal Cancer: Update from ASCO

Friday September 15, 2006 1:30-2:30

Free telephone workshop to address an overview of colorectal cancer, staging, current standard of care, the impact of research findings on care, new treatment approaches, clinical trials.

Breast Cancer Now: The Importance of Taking your Pills Everyday

Tuesday September 19, 2006 1:30 - 2:30

Free Telephone workshop to address an overview of Breast Cancer Treatments, clinical trials, role of adherence in the management of breast cancer, Barriers to adherence and practical tips to overcome them.

Better Bone Health for Men Living with Prostate Cancer

Wednesday, September 20, 2006 1:30-2:30

Free telephone workshop to learn more about an overview of prostate cancer, current standard of care, screening for bone health, risk factors, prescription medication to promote bone health, role of nutrition, exercise and calcium supplements, living with bone metastases, and clinical trials.