

Clinical Research Network



"Tomorrow's Leaders"

Clinical Trials in Surgical Oncology Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th May 2015 The Royal College of Surgeons of England





Day 1

Edward Lumley Hall

10:00-10:30 Registration and Coffee

Session 1

Lecture Theatre 1

10:30- 10:45 Welcome, Introduction to the workshop Professor Richard Shaw, National Lead for Surgical Oncology, CRN (Cancer)

10:45- 11:00 Ongoing Surgical Trials Initiatives from the Royal College of Surgeons of England *Professor Dion Morton*

11:00- 12:30 Session: Trial Design for Surgical Oncologists 1

Hosted by the MRC Network of Hubs for Trials Methodology Research (HTMR Network)

11:00-11:20 Getting the Study Design Right Jonathan Cook (Surgical Intervention Trials Unit/ConDucT-II Hub)

11:20-11:40 Pragmatic vs Explanatory Trials *Jane Blazeby (ConDucT-II Hub)*

11:40-12:00 Avoiding Bias Sara Brookes (ConDucT-II Hub)

12:00-12:20 Sample Size Beth Conroy (North West Hub)

Questions and Answers

Edward Lumley Hall

12:30-13:30 - Lunch

Committee Rooms 1, 2, 3, Council Room and Webb Johnson Hall

13:30-15:00 NCRI CSGs to host Breakout Sessions

12 CSGs will provide specialty specific content on current portfolio of trials and future direction.

Edward Lumley Hall

15:00-15:30 Break

Session 3

Webb Johnson Hall

Parallel Session 1

15:30-17:30 GCP Training (I.e. for those who do not have current GCP certificate)

Committee Rooms 1, 2, 3 and Council Room

Parallel Session 2

15:30- 17:30 Trial Design for Surgical Oncologist 2 (for those who do not have current GCP) *Hosted by the MRC Network of Hubs for Trials Methodology Research (HTMR Network)*

15:30-16:00 Complexities of designing a surgical trial (blinding, equipoise, culture etc) *Richard Jackson (North West Surgical Trials Centre)*

16:00-16:30 Core Outcome Sets *Paula Williamson (North West Hub)*

16:30-17:00 Optimising Pilot Studies Jane Blazeby (ConDucT-II Hub)

17:00-17:30 Alternative Trial Designs

Jonathan Cook (Surgical Intervention Trials Unit/ConDucT-II Hub)

17:30 Reception TBC

Day 2

Edward Lumley Hall

08:15-0845 Registration and Coffee

Session 4

Lecture Theatre 1

Chair - Richard Shaw

08:45 – 08:50 Day 2 Opening *Professor Richard Shaw*

08:50- 09:10 Getting started in NIHR portfolio as an NHS Consultant *Professor Jim McCaul, RCS Surgical Specialty Lead & CSG sub-group chair*

09:10- 10:00 What can the surgical trials centers offer? *RCS Surgical Trials Centers*

Notes: presentation x 10mins each

NWSTC - Why do I need a trials unit to run a trial?
Bristol Surgical Trials Consortium - How will my STC help me develop a trial idea?
Surgical Intervention Trials Unit, Oxford - An academic career in clinical research, the lab or both?
NFORC- Develop trials in a research naïve specialty
Birmingham Surgical Trials Consortium- - can trainee consortia work in surgical oncology trials?

10:00- 10:15 Quality assurance in trials- how is it done in non-surgical oncology? *Dr Adrian Crellin CRN(Cancer)*

10:15- 10:30 The surgeon at the heart of a multidisciplinary oncology team, research priorities for NCRI and CRN(Cancer)

Professor Matt Seymour, Chair NCRI and CRN(Cancer)

10:30-10:40 Questions & Answers

Edward Lumley Hall

10:40-11:00 Break

Lecture Theatre 1

11:00- 11:30 How do I get a trials grant? CTAAC – Dr Kate Law , Cancer Research UK NETSCC- Nick Hicks, NIHR

11:30- 12:00 Integrating surgical trials into a busy NHS department 1: Mr Chris Holcombe, Breast CSG Representative

2: Ms Norma Gibbons (2014 CREST winner)

12:00-12:10 Research as an evolving role of surgical oncology: perspective from BASO *Ms Lynda Wyld, BASO president*

12:15–12:45 Please can I have a research nurse? *Kristina Duggleby, Senior Research Delivery Manager, CRN: North West London*

12:50-13:00 Q&A

Edward Lumley Hall

13:00-14:00 Lunch

Session 5

Webb Johnson Hall, Committee Rooms 1,2,3 and Council Room

14:00-16:00 CSGs breakout session 2

Lecture Theatre 1

16:00 Closing remarks *Professor Richard Shaw*

Close of meeting

Professor Derek Alderson, Director of Research Board, RCS