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# NCRI Newsletter

Dear Colleague,

Collaboration is at the heart of all NCRI activities. This month, we have a new video talking about how the NCRI drives collaboration across the research community and how this increases collective impact and accelerates progress against cancer for the benefit of people affected by cancer.

Our Living With and Beyond Cancer initiative is entering the final two weeks of its second survey, asking for views on the research questions that are a priority for the area. [We need patients', those who care for them, and health and social care professionals' opinions.](#)

To tell you more about our Living With and Beyond Cancer initiative, [we've developed a case study](#) to show its aims and impact.

To further understand and examine barriers to collaboration in the field of pathology, our CM-Path initiative have conducted a survey on pathologists' awareness of our Clinical Studies Groups and [published the results in the \*Bulletin of The Royal College of Pathologists\*.](#)

We also have the latest news from our Partners, and events and opportunities.

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## NCRI update



### Collaboration is at the heart of the NCRI

Our purpose is to improve health and quality of life by accelerating progress in cancer-related research, through collaboration. We have created a new video of some of our Executive Team that summarises the importance of that collaboration to ultimately benefit people affected by cancer.

>>Watch our video on collaboration.

### Tell us the most important questions for research into living with and beyond cancer



Our Living With and Beyond Cancer initiative is entering the final two weeks of its second survey, asking for views on the research questions that are a priority for the area. We need patients', those who care for them, and health and social care professionals' opinions.

We're asking respondents to tell us which of the questions gathered in the first phase of the project they

[>>Complete the survey here.](#)



## Why our Living With and Beyond Cancer initiative is important

To highlight the importance of our Living With and Beyond Cancer initiative, we've developed a case study to show its impact. Find out about the work that sits behind the surveys that we're asking you to complete and share, and what we aim to achieve with this work.

[>>Read the case study here.](#)

## CM-Path survey examining barriers to collaboration in the field of pathology



Our Cellular Molecular Pathology (CM-Path) initiative has published the results of a recent survey in the *Bulletin of The Royal College of Pathologists*. This report examines some of the barriers to seamless collaboration and potential solutions in order to benefit future clinical research, one of which is an opportunity for further pathology engagement with the NCRI's Clinical Studies Groups (CSGs).

[>>Find out more and read the report here.](#)

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## Conference news

### Conference programme live!



With registration and abstract submission for the 2018 NCRI Cancer Conference opening in less than two weeks, we thought now would be the perfect time to release the programme.

Head to the Conference website and use the filters to search by theme or type to find the topics that are relevant to your area of work. You could also select sessions to help you discover developments in other research areas.

Speaker and session details are being confirmed on a daily basis so make sure you check back for regular updates.

[>>Explore the programme here.](#)

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## Partner news

### breast cancer **now** Breast Cancer Now Catalyst Programme grants

The Breast Cancer Now Catalyst Programme will bring together Europe's leading breast cancer researchers and the world's leading pharmaceutical companies to pool resources and stop women dying from breast cancer by 2050.

problems in breast cancer.

[>>To apply, visit the Breast Cancer Now website.](#)



## Cancer Research UK call for early detection research ideas

Cancer Research UK is funding project and programme awards to drive a transformational change in how and when early cancers and pre-cancerous states are detected. These awards aim to draw together disparate activity across many areas of cancer research and across disciplines accelerate progress in the early detection of cancer. From biological research to physical sciences or technology development, they want to bring in new thinking to this challenging field.

The schemes have two deadlines each year and offer up to £500,000 for a project over three years and up to £2.5m over 5 years for a programme.

[>>Click here for more information.](#)



## Tenovus Cancer Care iGrant funding opportunity

Tenovus Cancer Care fund research that meets the needs of cancer patients and their families, including cancer prevention research. Applications are welcome from all, including individuals, academic institutions, health professionals and voluntary organisations, where the lead applicant is based in Wales. iGrants can range from £1,000 to £30,000 with projects lasting up to 24 months. Deadline 5pm Monday 23 April 2018.

[>>Click here for more information.](#)

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## Other news

### Now published: reporting guidelines to maximise the impact of oncology research

The EQUATOR Oncology team (which is funded by our Partner Cancer Research UK) has just published an article in the British Journal of Cancer entitled Reporting guidelines for oncology research: helping to maximise the impact of your research.

It introduces reporting guidelines, which are tools that help researchers to write up their research for publication clearly and completely. It also summarises generic reporting guidelines useful for cancer researchers and the 39 oncology-specific reporting guidelines available in the EQUATOR Network reporting guideline database.

[>>Read the article here.](#)

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## Upcoming events and opportunities

## CM-Path Biobanking Best Practices Workshop – Registration now open

17 May 2018

The aim of the workshop is to launch the CM-Path Biobanking Sample Quality Improvement Tool and demonstrate the importance of sample quality in biobanking, promoting best practice at all stages in the tissue journey. Topics will include the future of biobanking, updates around consent and regulation, tissue preservation techniques and the potential of UK biobanks for partnering with industry.

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

## Merging clinical, biological and physical sciences: approaches for cancer research

10 April 2018.

In collaboration with the NIHR, Cancer Research UK and the EPSRC/BBSRC Physics of Life Network, this workshop will bring together clinicians, biologists and physical scientists to showcase successful existing collaborations and to promote engagement, new ideas and collaborations. This event will be taking place at BMA House in London.

[>>Click here for more information.](#)



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