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UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center NEWSLETTER



UCLA Researchers Make Breakthrough in Hormonal Treatment for Endometrial Cancer

Progesterone, a female hormone that can be used as a therapy for endometrial cancer, eliminates tumor cells indirectly by binding to its receptor in stromal or connective tissue cells residing in the tumor microenvironment, according to a new study led by JCCC researcher Dr. Sanaz Memarzadeh. While progesterone can be effective as a therapy in endometrial cancer, its use is not yet widely embraced in clinical practice. Click to read the [full story](#) about this breakthrough.

JCCC Member Resources

- Visit our [membership info page](#) to find out all of the benefits and privileges that are available to you as a JCCC member.

Clinical Trials at Your Fingertips

- Connect you and your patients with clinical trials at UCLA. [Click here](#) to learn all about how you can use any mobile device (including your smartphone) to access JCCC's clinical trials database.

Shared Resources at UCLA

- As a member you have access to several shared resources at JCCC, and over 70 additional shared resources at UCLA. Visit the [Shared Resources page](#) to learn more.

Meet Your Fellow Members

- JCCC is a scientific community over 400 members strong. In our ongoing [Researcher Profiles](#) section, read detailed biographies of many of your fellow members.

Latest News

Study Finds Bladder Cancer Recurrence and Mortality Could Improve with Better Treatment Compliance



In a first-of-its-kind study, JCCC researchers led by Dr. Karim Chamie, assistant professor-in-residence in the Department of Urology, have found that the burden of bladder cancer on the population is very high, and that more intense surveillance and treatment in the first two years after diagnosis could reduce the number of patients whose cancer returns after treatment and lower the death rate from this disease.

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Lifeline Connection Partners for a Cure



The 2012-2013 Lifeline Connection Honor Roll is now complete and we salute all Lifeline Connection partners who have contributed over \$770,000 this past fiscal year! We especially want to thank all the Cancer Center leaders who are Lifeline Connection members. Virtually every JCCC member has benefited from Lifeline Connection donations, which support the Center's highest research priorities. To become a 2013-2014 Lifeline Connection member, please make a gift.

VIDEO: Dr. Richard Finn Discusses New Breast Cancer Treatment at ASCO 2013



In an exciting breakthrough, UCLA scientists recently reported an encouraging increase in progression-free survival for patients with HER2-negative breast cancer, a particularly aggressive form of the disease. Speaking at this past April's ASCO 2013 conference, lead researcher Dr. Richard Finn explains the positive results of this pioneering study.

[Watch Video >](#)

Latest Grant Awards

- All new funding awards are now being archived monthly on the JCCC website. Click [here](#) for a complete listing of the latest recipients and their awards.

Social Networking Tools

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Q3 Clinical Trials Pocket Guide Available July 17



Need to stay up-to-date on all currently open JCCC clinical trials for your research or clinical practice? JCCC's quarterly Clinical Trials Pocket Guide offers a complete list of current trials by anatomic site, in a handy pocket size that fits perfectly inside a lab coat. The 2013 Q3 guide will be available on Wednesday, July 17, and it's free to all JCCC members. To reserve your copy, contact Emma Ashley at EAshley@mednet.ucla.edu.

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