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featuring
Maria Morasso, PhD
NIH, NIAMS

Staying in and keeping out: skin barrier and inflammatory responses

Given C443
12-1 PM

The VCC’s J. Walter Juckett Distinguished Lecture Series presents "Interweaving the Threads of the p53, Inflammation, and Non-Coding RNA Networks into the Tapestry of Cancer and Aging,” featuring Curtis Harris, MD. Harris is a clinical professor of medicine and oncology at Georgetown University School of Medicine, and has a broad range of research interests from molecular genetics and epigenetics of human cancer to molecular epidemiology of human cancer risk, diagnosis and prognosis.

The lecture will take place at noon on Thursday, October 30th in Davis Auditorium and is open to public.

For more information, please contact Charles Brooks.

Save the Date

October 2014
Breast Cancer Awareness Month

16 Cocktails Curing Cancer: an event to benefit the Vermont Cancer Center and American Cancer Society; Union Station, Burlington, 5-8 PM (event is sold out!).

17 Biochemistry Seminar: Staying in and keeping out: skin barrier and inflammatory responses, featuring Maria Morasso, PhD, from the NIH and NIAMS; Given C443, 12-1 PM.

23 Fletcher Allen Denim Day to benefit the High Risk Breast Program.

Fall 2014 VCC Member Retreat

VCC members, please block your calendar for Friday, November 14 from 12-5 PM for the fall VCC Member Retreat. A calendar meeting request was sent via Outlook; if you do not use Outlook, please be sure to manually add this to your calendar. The event will take place in the Waterman building’s Memorial Lounge and lunch will be served.

If you have any questions about the retreat please contact VCC Administrative Director, Kate Webster.

2014 VCC Clinical and Translational Research Symposium: Nov. 21

Mark your calendar for the 2014 VCC Clinical and Translational Research Symposium on Friday, November 21, 2014. This year’s all-day research meeting, taking place in Davis Auditorium, will be focused on Molecular and Behavioral Cancer Epidemiology and will cover a wide range of related topics.

The event is open to the entire UVM community as well as individuals from outside academic and clinical organizations. Event co-chairs Chip Cole, PhD, and Tom
24 Biochemistry Seminar: Genetic Association Approach to Identify Disease Gene Targets, featuring Dawei Li, PhD, Dept. of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, UVM College of Medicine; Given C443, 12-1 PM.

24 Mahana Magic Monster Bash to benefit child-life services at the Vermont Cancer Center; Old Lantern, Charlotte, 7-11 PM.

26-31 AACR Translational Cancer Research for Basic Scientists Workshop; Boston, MA.

28 VCC Grand Rounds: Bone Marrow Failure Syndromes; Akiko Shimamura, MD PhD, University of Washington, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center; Med Ed 300, 8-9 AM.

30 J. Walter Juckett Distinguished Lecture: Interweaving the Threads of the p53,Inflammation and Non-Coding RNA Networks into the Tapestry of Cancer and Aging, Curtis Harris, MD, adjunct professor of medicine at Georgetown University and longtime leader in the field of molecular carcinogenesis.

November 2014
Lung and Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

4 VCC Grand Rounds: Vitamin D & Cancer: Causation, Prevention and Therapy, Donald Trump, MD, President and CEO, Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Med Ed 300, 8-9 AM.

11 VCC Grand Rounds: The

Ahern, PhD, MPH have arranged an impressive group of both Vermont Cancer Center member and invited guest speakers. A full agenda will be posted to the VCC website by Monday, October 20.

JUNIOR INVESTIGATORS AND CALL FOR POSTERS

Junior investigators will also be invited to speak and will be selected to do so from among those participants that submit posters for the day’s scientific poster presentation. The poster session is open to all attendees and poster topics do not need to directly correlate to the theme of the meeting. This will be a judged poster session with prizes offered in various categories. If you are interested in contributing a poster, please contact Charles Brooks. Junior investigators will be invited to speak based upon submission of a scientific poster.

For more information about this event please contact Charles Brooks.

UVM Athletics Announces 2014 Rally Against Cancer Games and New Sponsor

UVM Athletics has announced its 2014 Rally Against Cancer efforts, which began on October 5th with a women’s field hockey game. Joining UVM Athletics in building breast cancer awareness efforts is presenting sponsor Otter Creek Awnings and Vermont Custom Closets. Krista Balogh, Director of Marketing, Promotions and Special Events for UVM Athletics shared that through this sponsorship UVM Athletics will be able to build the Rally Against Cancer efforts and expand it across more teams.

Todd and Elizabeth Warren of Otter Creek Awnings and Vermont Custom Closets are thrilled to be partners with UVM Athletics this year in the Rally efforts. In a recent presentation to their employees Warren expressed his commitment to the partnership, "Great companies are great leaders in their communities," he said, "We are thrilled to provide this type of support to the Vermont Cancer Center and UVM Athletics."

The next Rally Against Cancer game is a Men's Soccer game on Saturday, October 25th at 1 PM. VCC members are encouraged to attend!
Role of Src-family Kinases in Metastatic Progression, Irwin H. Helman, PhD, Roswell Park Cancer Institute; Med Ed 300, 8-9 AM.

9-12  AACR Conference on The Science of Cancer Health Disparities; San Antonio, TX.

16  Leunigs' Bistro Event to Benefit the VCC.

18-21  AACR International Symposium on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics; Barcelona, Spain.

21  VCC Clinical and Translational Research Symposium; Molecular and Behavioral Cancer Epidemiology; Davis Auditorium, Fletcher Allen Health Care, 8:00-4:30. RSVP to Charles Brooks.

December 2014

1-4  AACR Special Conference on Tumor Immunology and Immunotherapy: A New Chapter; Orlando, FL.

9-13  San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium; registration deadline is Friday, October 31; San Antonio, TX.

Save the Date:
2014 Rally Against Cancer Events

October 26: Men's Soccer vs. Hartford, 1 PM
November 15: Women's Swimming and Diving, 2 PM
January 16: Men's Hockey vs. Northeastern, 7 PM
January 17: Women's Hockey vs. Boston College, 2 PM
January 26: CELEBRITY SERVER EVENT AT BUFFALO WILD WINGS, 5:30-9 PM
February 14: Men's Basketball vs. UMBC, 2 PM
February 18: Women's Basketball vs. Maine, 7 PM

Return of the MO--to Benefit the VCC!

Gentleman, start thinking mustache! Once again, the Vermont Cancer Center, led by a group of dedicated providers, will be growing mustaches in November to raise awareness, and new this year--funds, for men's health and cancer research efforts happening at the Vermont Cancer Center.

Stay tuned for more information including how to join in the growing and fundraising efforts!

For more information please contact Manon O'Connor, Senior Director of Development for the Vermont Cancer Center.
Fletcher Allen Denim Day to Benefit the High Risk Breast Program

Fletcher Allen will be hosting Denim Day on Thursday, October 23 to benefit the High Risk Breast Program at the Vermont Cancer Center. Sponsor a colleague or get involved yourself by signing up and donating $5 for the privilege of wearing denim on the 23rd. With a $20 donation you will be recognized with a bright pink, reusable, beverage container.

To learn more about Denim Day, sign up, or make a general donation click here.

5th Annual Monster Bash to Benefit Child Life Services at the VCC

Mahana Magic will host its 5th Annual Monster Bash, to benefit child life services at the Vermont Cancer Center, on Friday, October 24th from 7-11 PM a the Old Lantern in Charlotte. Tickets are on sale now! Click here for more information or to purchase tickets.

Leunigs' Bistro to Host November 16 Fundraiser for Men's Cancer Research and Education at the VCC

In follow-up to their month-long efforts to raise funds and awareness for the High Risk Breast Program at the Vermont Cancer Center, Leunigs' Bistro, on Church Street in Burlington, will be hosting an all-day fundraiser on Sunday, November 16th to benefit men's health and
cancer research and education efforts at the Vermont Cancer Center. Mark you calendar and join other VCC members, staff and faculty for brunch, lunch or dinner!

VCC in the NEWS

Fox 44 News, provided news coverage of the 17th Annual Breast Cancer Conference on Friday, October 10. Kathy McBeth, MA, co-chair for the event was interviewed.

A recent publication, led by Arti Shukla, PhD, was highlighted by the American Journal of Pathology on Facebook.

VCC member Christine Vatovec, PhD appeared on UVM/WCAX’s Across the Fence to discuss research on nature contact and cancer treatment.

Publications and Announcements

*Please send announcements and publication notices to Sarah Keblin for inclusion in the weekly eALERT and other promotional material*

Recent Publications by VCC Members:


**Funding Opportunities**
Green indicates NEW this week

- **NCI Cancer Intervention and Surveillance Modeling Network (CISNET)(U01)**; LOI due October 14, 2014.

- **College of Medicine Internal Grant Program and Bridge Support Program**; deadline for each is midnight, October 31, 2014.

- **NCI Centers of Cancer Nanotechnology Excellence (CCNEs)(U54)**; deadline for submission is November 3, 2014.

- **NCI New Approaches to Synthetic Lethality for Mutant KRas-Dependent Cancers (U01)**; LOI due 30 days before submission date of application; submission dates are Nov. 10, 2014 and July 8, 2015.

- **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations Awards**; seeking innovative global health and development solutions in any discipline; two page proposals being accepted from September 4 through November 12, 2014.

- **NCI Innovative Research in Cancer Nanotechnology (IRCN) (U01)**; deadline for submission *multiple dates" see announcement.

- **Damon Runyon Physician-Scientist Training Award**; four years of funding totaling $460,00 plus debt retirement up to $100,000; deadline for application is Monday, December 1, 2014.

- **2015 Kimmel Scholar and Translational Science Award**; $200K over two years for junior faculty research in cancer; application deadline is December 3, 2014.

- **UVM Reach Grants**; providing seed funding to promote innovative research, scholarship and creative arts at UVM; deadline for submission is December 5, 2014.

**VCC Internal Funding/Grants Available**
Clinical Trials

Click here to view a full listing of VCC clinical trials.

Ongoing Events

Environmental Pathology and Carcinogenesis Seminar Series
Mondays at Noon, HSRF 200

VCC Grand Rounds
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th
Tuesday 8-9am, MedEd 300

Please refer to the VCC Website for information regarding regularly scheduled tumor board meetings. Information can be found here.

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