# Cancer Research UK and UCL Cancer Trials Centre

### **Clinical Trial Courses aimed at Clinicians**

#### **Continuous professional development**

#### Non disease specific

• UCL practical statistics in medical research. 4 day course

The course aims to teach health care researchers the essential elements of research methodology and statistics. The focus is mainly on interpretation and understanding appropriate methodology. <u>http://www.ucl.ac.uk/statistics/psmr/</u>

- MRC methodology hubs courses <u>http://www.methodologyhubs.mrc.ac.uk/</u>
  - How to be a good Chief Investigator A free one day training event for newly funded Chief Investigators on randomised clinical trials.
  - Clinical Trial Training for Investigators: Improving health by improving trials. Five day course including trial design, trial conduct, recruitment of trial participants, public and patient involvement, analysis and reporting, health economics.
- UCL ICTM (Institute of Clinical Trials & Methodology) Courses https://www.ucl.ac.uk/ictm/education/short-courses
  - Data monitoring committees: one day course. This course is aimed at those currently or soon to be involved in Independent Data Monitoring Committees (IDMC), and will answer the question: "What do people who serve on them, report to them or receive reports from them need to know?" <u>https://www.ucl.ac.uk/ictm/education/short-courses/idmc</u>
  - Patient and public involvement: one day course. This course is a practical, interactive workshop for those working in clinical trials who already or wish to actively involve patients or the public in their trials. <u>https://www.ucl.ac.uk/ictm/education/short-courses/ppi</u>

#### **Cancer specific**

- ECCO-AACR-EORTC-ESMO Workshop
  - Methods in Clinical Cancer Research. 7 day interactive and multidisciplinary educational activity on clinical trial methodology in oncology to learn the principles of good clinical trial design. <u>http://www.ecco-org.eu/Events/MCCR-Workshop/</u>
- EORTC (European Organisation for Research & Treatment of Cancer).
  - Clinical Trials Statistics for Non Statisticians: This 4 day course provides an introduction to the statistical methods used for the design, conduct and analysis of cancer clinical trials. <u>http://www.eortc.org/events/category/categories/eortccourses/</u>
- ECMC (Experimental cancer medicines centre) has a junior investigators group (JING) you can become a member of <a href="http://www.ecmcnetwork.org.uk/network-groups/junior-investigator-group/">http://www.ecmcnetwork.org.uk/network-groups/junior-investigator-group/</a>. Membership is aimed at any early career cancer researchers committed to becoming independent investigators, such clinical colleagues wishing to specialise in a cancer-relevant field and from final year of PhD onwards for non-clinical colleagues. JING runs a variety of events <a href="http://www.ecmcnetwork.org.uk/events">http://www.ecmcnetwork.org.uk/events</a> and gives out some bursaries eg the NCRI clinical studies group Trainee scheme. last call May 2016.

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#### Formal Education – non disease specific

- MRes in clinical research there are many course around the country several of which are recommended for NIHR clinical fellows
- MSc Clinical Trials (most offer PG cert / PG diploma)
  - UCL MSc Clinical Trials: taught full or part time (max attendance two days a week). <u>https://www.ucl.ac.uk/ictm/education/msc</u>
  - o London School of Hygiene & tropical medicine MSc Clinical Trials: Distance learning.
  - Edinburgh Univesrity MSc Clinical Trials : Distance Learning.
  - Glasgow MSc Clinical Trials & Stratified Medicine: taught, full time.
- Harvard Clinical Scholars Research Training United Kingdom (CSRT-UK) PG Certificate Program. Applicants must have an MD, MBBS, MBChB, or equivalent degree; candidates who are specialist trainees are encouraged to apply, as well as established practitioners, physicians and clinicians interested in further developing their research skills and knowledge. The program consists of 50 online lectures available 24/7, 10 live webinars, and two in-person workshops in the UK. https://hms.harvard.edu/departments/clinicalscholars-research-training-united-kingdom