

## Cancer and Aging Research Group Biweekly Meeting March 9th, 2021

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TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/ FOLLOW-UP
<b>Announcements</b>	<p>Reminder to CARG members did not need to login for this zoom meeting All presentations and material are attached under today's agenda Thank you everyone for promoting geriatric oncology!</p> <p>Drs. Heidi Klepin and Manvi Sharma co-lead the meeting today.</p> <p>Welcome to our CARG Zoom meeting on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. We will be using the full zoom option with video. Please mute your phone/audio line, when you are listening or not speaking and to only turn on video if speaking to improve bandwidth.</p> <p>NCI WEBINAR: Targeting Aging to Transform Human Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Monday, March 15, 2021 (12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. EDT)</li> <li>- In this webinar, two experts will describe interventions to address cancer and treatment-related aging using a cells-to-society perspective. The webinar will conclude with a Q&amp;A session.</li> <li>- Topics &amp; Speakers: "Targeting Senescent Cells for the Rigors of Aging" Nathan LeBrasseur, P.T., Ph.D. "From Spaceflight to Cancer Therapy: Exercise to Modulate Accelerated Aging" Jessica Scott, Ph.D.</li> </ul> <p>New Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Michael Liu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o PGY-2 internal medicine resident at Brown who has been involved in research in geriatric oncology.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Guru Murthy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Hematology-Oncology physician-researcher at the Medical College of Wisconsin with focus on older adults with hematological malignancies such as leukemia and MDS.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Aarti Mathur <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Endocrine Surgeon at Johns Hopkins. My interest involves shared decision-making and outcomes in older adults with thyroid cancer.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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<p><b>Gero-Onc Nursing Resources:</b> <b>Carolina Uranga</b></p>	<p>The overall strategy of this online content is to educate oncology nurses in geriatrics and provide training from oncology experts. Our goal is to provide you with geriatric skills to implement and communicate the knowledge gained in your home settings. Participants should consider developing goals/initiatives to improve care of older adults with cancer and implement an action plan for your care setting. Engage your stakeholders such as your manager, administrator, educator, or staff nurse(s) to be part of your team and help you implement geriatric initiatives.</p> <p>These archived presentations consist of lecture and case studies. Also, included are references, resources, tools, handouts for your use. You may share your ongoing progress via the Gero-Oncology Nursing Community (G-ONC) conference call with your peers which provides support throughout the implementation process.</p> <p>This work is supported by National Institutes of Health (NIH) Grant #R25CA183723-01A1 (PIs: W. Dale and M. Loscalzo; former PI: A. Hurria) and the Center for Cancer and Aging at City of Hope. Dr. Dale was supported by the National Institute on Aging grant K24AG055693 (PI: W. Dale).</p> <p><b>Link to the website:</b> <a href="https://www.mycarg.org/?page_id=2644">https://www.mycarg.org/?page_id=2644</a></p> <p>Gero-Oncology Nursing Community (G-ONC) within CARG provides access to an online curriculum developed by geriatric oncology experts to educate oncology nurses in geriatrics and consists of lectures and case studies. The overall strategy of this G-ONC community is to share geriatric oncology experiences and initiatives with colleagues so we can all learn from each other. Are you interested in participating in a periodic conference call to share ideas, initiatives, and improve care for older adults with cancer? If yes, please complete the survey. Please share with others who may be interested in joining this forum and learning about older adults with cancer.</p> <p>Link to inquiry Form: <a href="https://www.mycarg.org/?page_id=2716">https://www.mycarg.org/?page_id=2716</a></p>	
<p><b>Global Geri-Onc Discussion: Drs. Nicolo Battisti and Enrique Soto</b></p>	<p>Drs. Nicolo Battisti and Enrique Soto both present on the globalization of geriatric oncology and how CARG can help.</p> <p>Nicolò Matteo Luca Battisti is a medical oncologist in the breast unit at the Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust; Breast Cancer Research Division – The Institute of Cancer Research; President-Elect of the International Society of Geriatric Oncology and Co-Chair of the Inequalities Network – European Cancer Organization.</p> <p>Enrique Soto Pérez de Celis MD, MSc at the Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición Salvador Zubirán Mexico City, Mexico</p> <p>Questions and Suggestions for CARG:</p> <p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can you include geriatric principles into cancer care across all settings?</li> <li>• Online training courses in collaboration with SIOG, ASCO, etc.</li> <li>• Global fellowships with a “train the trainer” model to establish centers of excellence</li> </ul> <p>Clinical Care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global online tumor boards and sessions.</li> <li>• Dissemination of tools in various languages, app development.</li> </ul> <p>Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global research fellowships, training in team development, grantsmanship etc.</li> <li>• Statistical support using the CARG cores</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding mechanisms? Global grants?</li> </ul> <p>Please see the attached presentation for context.</p> <p>Comments and Feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilization of the CARinG Cores the Analytics Core for statistical and analytic feedback on study design and research</li> <li>• Create training opportunities for international statisticians</li> <li>• Provide workshop and recorded webinar session available on the CARG website</li> <li>• Conduct a landscape survey to register for international training opportunities and funding opportunities</li> <li>• CARG buddy for writing and statistical analysis</li> <li>• Use a R25 mechanism for funding</li> <li>• Links to Resources             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/cgh/research-training">https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/cgh/research-training</a></li> <li>○ International Cancer Research Partnership: <a href="https://www.icrpartnership.org/about-us">https://www.icrpartnership.org/about-us</a></li> <li>○ 9th annual symposium on global cancer research starts tomorrow. See <a href="https://events.cancer.gov/cgh/asgcr?cid=eb_govdel">https://events.cancer.gov/cgh/asgcr?cid=eb_govdel</a></li> <li>○ Morning from Australia. Great discussion. As Kheng Soo and Erin Moth's excellent work shows we in Australia have resources and investigators here should be able to access stats support as part of their work. It remains challenging but resources are there. Happy to be part of a global effort to improve access. The ACORD programme here is great for protocol development <a href="https://www.moga.org.au/acord-workshop">https://www.moga.org.au/acord-workshop</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>CARG Buddy System</b></p>	<p>Dr. Heidi Klepin discusses the CARG buddy program, we really wanted to have a discussion about on that front was sort of focusing on that program but more broadly on career development opportunities, and so a lot of what was discussed today. How moving forward, we can sort of evolve our current buddy program or this networking program that we've had that actually predated the current infrastructure that we have think about how might need to evolve to meet the needs of our mentees and early career faculty where it should really be sitting within the infrastructure and also how we can start adding. Other pieces that came up in the CARinG meeting that that relate to career development so things like how we provide more opportunities for mentorship, the idea of office hours had come up. CARG Members would be available to have conversations with trainees, the idea of navigation for new CARG members so they could have a better understanding of how to use our resources and then we talked a lot about networking.</p> <p>What we'd like to do is to get together a smaller working group, hopefully with members of the junior investigator board that are particularly interested and others who are interested in talking about you know mentoring and how we can really evolve and get that sort of front and Center on the CARG website and have some additional opportunities to bring our early career faculty.</p> <p>A small meeting or series of meetings to really talk about how we can evolve with respect to our networking program and some of these other discussions around mentoring. Please just email the <a href="mailto:CARinG@coh.org">CARinG@coh.org</a> because we would love to just get together with a group of folks and I would love to have somebody, who is</p>	

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	<p>speaking for the global community, so that we can then think about you know how we can evolve and ultimately meet some of the needs of our mentees that maybe we haven't yet. With a CARG Buddy Working Group, we hope to come up with some thoughtful next steps and then bring it back to both this group, and you know, to the leadership to think about what changes, we can make over time so anybody who's interested.</p>	
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**Next Conference Call: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**