

# Internet Resources

*The following Web sites are focused on oncology trials for the professional and/or potential participant. In addition, many cancer patient advocacy groups and organizations may have listings for oncology clinical trials on their home pages.—The Editors*

## **American Cancer Society/EmergingMed Clinical Trials Matching Service**

[http://www.cancer.org/docroot/ETO/content/ETO\\_6\\_1X\\_Clinical\\_Trials\\_Matching\\_Service.asp](http://www.cancer.org/docroot/ETO/content/ETO_6_1X_Clinical_Trials_Matching_Service.asp)

This free Clinical Trial Matching and Referral Service is made available to American Cancer Society visitors through a collaboration with EmergingMed. By filling out a questionnaire, patients learn whether they match (by diagnosis, staging, and treatment history) any trials in the system. The EmergingMed database contains more than 3500 trials.

## **American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) [www.asco.org](http://www.asco.org)**

Here oncology professionals can find information on industry news, regulatory updates, career opportunities, and more.

## **ASCO's Information for Patients [www.cancer.net](http://www.cancer.net)**

ASCO provides oncologist-approved cancer information for patients on its consumer-directed Web site. This includes treatment information, cancer types, and information on trials.

## **Breast Cancer Fund [www.breastcancerfund.org](http://www.breastcancerfund.org)**

This site accesses a database of industry sponsored trials for breast cancer. Trials are listed according to U.S. state. Each listing provides information about center names, drug names, and the type of study. Names of international sites conducting breast cancer trials are also provided.

## **CancerConsultants <http://www.patient.cancerconsultants.com>**

This popular site is managed by the oncology research center CancerConsultants.com Inc. and provides numerous resources, including a drug and cancer dictionary, a section for newly diagnosed cancer patients, a free newsletter (SURVIVE),

coverage of major medical meetings, and access to trials searchable by cancer type and U.S. location.

## **CancerEducation.com <http://www.cancereducation.com>**

This Web site offers cancer-related information for professionals and patients. Features include coverage of over 20 cancer types, access to medical reference texts, live and archived Webcasts, continuing education accreditation, multimedia clips, a dose calculator for physicians, online medical journals, and more. Free registration is required to access portions of the Web site.

## **CancerHelp UK <http://www.cancerhelp.org.uk/>**

A free information service sponsored by Cancer Research UK that provides information on cancer treatments and research along with a search engine that allows users to search clinical trials by type of cancer, trial name or drug.

## **Coalition of Cancer Cooperative Groups <http://www.trialcheck.org/cancertrials/help/>**

TrialCheck is a search tool developed by the Coalition of Cancer Cooperative Groups to assist patients in finding cancer clinical trials. After answering nine simple questions, patients receive a list of cancer trials for which they may be eligible. TrialCheck allows patients to search for cancer clinical trials according to location so that they can find trials close to home. Patients may be updated via email whenever a new cancer trial has been added to their search results.

## **European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC) <http://www.eortc.be/>**

On this well-designed and easy to navigate Web site, visitors will find a link to the EORTC protocols database, which contains EORTC protocols (classified according to the name of the group undertaking the protocol) as well as protocols from other organizations. The database may be searched by protocol number, group, tumor site, treatment or drug.

## **National Cancer Institute [http://www.cancer.gov/clinical\\_trials](http://www.cancer.gov/clinical_trials)**

This search site, run by the NIH, allows users to find trials by stage/subtype of cancer and type of trial (e.g., prevention, diagnostic or genetic). It also takes travel into consideration, allowing a distance search by zip code and the option to choose trials from 20 to 500 miles away.