

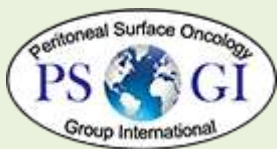


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Announcement: In the News:

11th International Symposium Sept 9 - 11, 2018



PSOGI (*Peritoneal Surface Oncology International*) is a non-profit organization to promote research, education, and innovations in patient care regarding peritoneal metastases. The outreach is worldwide. The International Congress will bring America, Europe, Asia, and Asia Minor together regarding a common unsolved problem in gastrointestinal and gynecologic malignancy. The major goal is to implement the transfer of basic science research and clinical research to patient care. To date, major benefits to patients with gastrointestinal cancer, gynecologic malignancy, and peritoneal mesothelioma have been achieved and even more exciting improvements are expected in the near future as a result of our worldwide cooperative efforts.

PSOGI is dedicated to improve treatment and survival of patients with peritoneal metastases. The Organizing committee, Diane Goéré, Olivier Glehen and Marc Pocard, wanted to thank Paul H Sugarbaker for all he has done and for the PSOGI organization with a rewarding and exciting scientific program. The committee is pleased to welcome participants to the 11th International Workshop on Peritoneal Surface Malignancy in the fantastic city of Paris. The meeting will take place in the beautiful "art deco" building of the "Maison de la Chimie" in the center of Paris, near the Eiffel Tower, from the 9 to 11 September 2018.

For more information see <http://www.psogi.com/>

Note- This site contains actual videos of Cytoreductive and HIPEC procedures in the video library.

Rare Disease Day

<https://www.rarediseaseday.org/>

28 February 2018 will be the eleventh international Rare Disease Day coordinated by **EURORDIS**. On and around this day hundreds of patient organizations from countries and regions all over the world will hold awareness-raising activities. Rare Disease Day takes place on the last day of February each year. The main objective of Rare Disease Day is to raise awareness amongst the general public and decision-makers about rare diseases and their impact on patients' lives. The campaign targets primarily the general public and also seeks to raise awareness amongst policy makers, public authorities, industry representatives, researchers, health professionals and anyone who has a genuine interest in rare diseases.



The USA joined Rare Disease Day in 2009, making the campaign a truly international affair. Diverse events and campaigns have been organized ever since then, and in 2013 President Barack Obama sent a letter proclaiming his support of the day.

In 2017, events were as varied as they were widespread, with more than 40 different events. There was a student research event in Delaware, a toy and book collection for children with rare diseases, and educational events across the country. The Rare Acts of Kindness campaign encouraged people to perform small acts of kindness to celebrate the day.

CLINICAL TRIAL

NIVOLUMAB (Opdivo®) and IPIPIUMAB (Yervoy®) in Treating Patients with Rare Tumors (Including PMP)

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier NCT02834013 (National Cancer Institute ID Number - NCI-2016-01041)

- This clinical trial studies **NIVOLUMAB (Opdivo®)** and **IPIPIUMAB (Yervoy®)** in treating patients with rare tumors. Monoclonal antibodies, such as **Nivolumab** and **Ipilimumab**, may interfere with the ability of tumor cells to grow and spread.
- **Official Title** - DART: Dual Anti-CTLA-4 and Anti-PD-1 Blockade in Rare Tumors
- **Principal Investigator**: Sandip Patel- Southwest Oncology Group
- **Experimental: Treatment (Nivolumab and Ipilimumab)**
Patients receive **Nivolumab** IV over 30 minutes on days 1, 15, and 29 and **Ipilimumab** IV over 60 minutes on day 1. Courses repeat every 42 days in the absence of disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES: To evaluate the Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors (RECIST) version (v) 1.1 overall response rate (ORR) in subsets of patients with advanced rare cancers treated with **Nivolumab** and **Ipilimumab** combination immunotherapy.

See: <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT02834013?term=DART+ipilimumab+nivolumab&rank=1#locn> for other Inclusion Criteria and see if one of the 745 Study Locations is near you.

Survivor Happenings:

From: San Francisco- Bay Area PMP Pal Survivors –

Our next gathering for Survivors and Caregivers is Saturday, Jan 20th, 2018 in Concord CA. If you live near the SF Bay area and would like to join us, email Dawn Haskin at dawn.haskin56@gmail.com



Are you interested in meeting some of those who share your PMP experiences? Have you started a Regional PMP Pals Survivors Group in your area. Perhaps a discussion with a fellow caregiver or patient could give you new insights and coping skills. If you belong or have started a Survivors Group, please let us know what you're up to so that we can feature your event(s) in our Newsletter. Just e-mail us at:

newsletter@pmppals.net

Are you hosting a Fundraiser Run, Walk-a-thon or other event? Let us know so we can share your story. Just email us at: newsletter@pmppals.net

Information for the Newly Diagnosed

PMP Pals- Simply by reading this newsletter you are well on your way to staying informed. We believe knowledge is power and hope follows close behind. Did you know that PMP Pals has both a Facebook page as well as a Website where lots more information can be found.

<http://www.pmppals.net>

PMP Appendix Cancer Support Group – On this Facebook page, you'll be able to connect with fellow patients and caregiver throughout the globe. This private (closed) group is ONLY for individuals and their caregivers/advocates, who have, or have had, Pseudomyxoma Peritonei (PMP) and/or any other form of Appendix Cancer, including Adenocarcinoma, Goblet Cell, Signet Ring Cell and others. To join, just navigate to the "ADD MEMBERS" column of the homepage.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PMPAppendixCancerSupportGroup/>

ACPMP – (Appendix Cancer Pseudomyxoma Peritonei-Research Foundation) is dedicated to:

- **Funding research to find a cure** for (PMP), Appendix Cancer, and related Peritoneal Surface Malignancies (PSM),
- **Funding educational programs** to educate physicians and patients about these diseases.

<https://acpmp.org/>

Donations: *To contribute to our ongoing efforts, please visit our donor page at:*

<http://pmppals.net/become-a-donor-2/>

We do **NOT** want patients or their families donating—they have more than enough on their plates and must concentrate on getting better. But we are open to donations from past patients and their families if they've found us to be helpful and would like to help us continue this work. Businesses or organizations are also welcome to donate to help us defray cost.

PMP Pals is a global volunteer-run organization that gives hope to patients and caregivers fighting appendix cancer, also known as Pseudomyxoma Peritonei or PMP, and other cancers of the abdominal cavity. We provide information through our web site and personalized support through our programs.

We want to hear how PMP Pals' Network has helped you and your family. Write to us and share your story of hope with new patients as well as long-time PMP Pals. We look forward to hearing from you! E-mail:

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