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The eALERT is an internal newsletter sent semi-monthly.
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September 14, 2017

MMM Research Program Meeting: Monday, September 18

Call for Posters! Women's Health and Cancer Conference

20th Annual Women's Health and Cancer Conference

Cancer Prevention Lecture Featuring Christine Holmberg, MPH, PhD

HealthSource: An Alternative to Colonoscopy for Low-Risk People

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Research Program Meeting Hosted by
MMM: September 18

[Registration is open](#)



For more information, please contact [Jacqueline Lawler](#).

Events Calendar

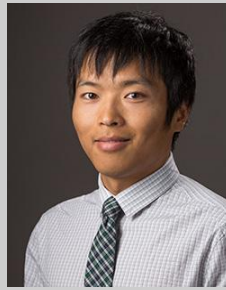
September 2017

Childhood, Ovarian, Leukemia, Lymphoma, Gynecologic, Prostate and Thyroid Cancer awareness month

18 Molecular Mechanisms of Malignancy Research Program Meeting, featuring a presentation by Dawei Li, PhD; HSRF 200, 3:30 PM.

[20 Dedalus Wine Shop Uncorked Fundraiser](#) to benefit UVM Cancer Center; 6 PM to 10 PM, [tickets available!](#)

28 Special Cancer Prevention Lecture; Christine Holmberg, MPH, PhD, University



The UVM Cancer Center's Molecular Mechanisms of Malignancy (MMM) research program will host a meeting on **Monday, September 18 from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM in HSRF 200**. The meeting will feature a talk, "Identify Oncoviruses for Cancer Prevention and Immunotherapies," by Dawei Li, PhD, on his ongoing research.

The meeting is open to all Cancer Center members, and others interested in learning more about research happening at the Cancer Center. **Members are encouraged to bring research ideas, challenges and/or needs to the meeting for discussion.**

Women's Health and Cancer Conference Call for Posters!

The UVM Cancer Center will host a scientific poster session for the public during the October 6, 2017 Women's Health and Cancer Conference, now in its 20th year! The conference's theme is "20 Years of Progress" and we hope to exemplify this progress by sharing with the public some of the amazing cancer-related research happening right here in Vermont.

UVM Cancer Center members will have a first-chance to sign-up for a spot in the exhibition. Any research relevant to women's health and cancer may be displayed; existing posters (printed within the last two years) may be used. There is limited space for just 24 posters. Members can confirm participation by sending an [RSVP to Laura Gordon](#) by **Friday, September 15th**.

The exhibition invite will be extended to all UVM faculty and staff after September 15th.

Questions? Please contact [Laura Gordon](#)

20th Annual Women's Health and Cancer Sessions Filling Quickly!

Medicine, Berlin, Germany;
MedEd 302/303, 12-1 PM.

28 [HealthSource](#): An Alternative to Colonoscopy for Low Risk People; 6-7:30 PM, Davis Auditorium.

[30 Fitness Fundraiser \(Body Pump classes\) benefitting the UVM Cancer Center;](#) UVM Fitness Center, multiple classes from 8 AM to 12 PM.

October 2017

*Breast cancer awareness month
Liver cancer awareness month*

6 20th Annual Women's Health and Cancer Conference; [click here](#) to register, or to learn more.

8 UVM Athletics Rally Against Cancer Women's Soccer; 1 PM vs. Maine.

15 UVM Athletics Rally Against Cancer Field Hockey; 1 PM vs. New Hampshire; free admission.

November 2017

*Lung cancer awareness month
Pancreatic cancer awareness month*



Conference co-chairs Elise Everett, MD and Kelly Gernander, RN, OCN

This year marks the 20th anniversary for the Women's Health and Cancer Conference (formerly Breast Cancer Conference). The event, hosted at the Sheraton, Burlington on Friday, October 6, 2017 is free and open to the public.

Providers are encouraged to refer patients to attend and to attend themselves. There are numerous continuing education offerings, across disciplines, throughout the day.

For more information, or to register, [click here](#).

Special Cancer Prevention Lecture

Counseling on Breast Cancer Risk Reduction

Wednesday, September 27

12:00 - 1:00 PM

Med Ed Center 302/303

Best practices for how health care providers and women at risk of breast cancer may discuss treatment options. Based on the results of the NRG Oncology study "decision-making project 1" (DMP1) this talk investigates best practice models of health care providers to discuss breast cancer risk reduction treatments including chemoprevention.

featuring



Dr. Christine Holmberg, MPH, PhD
Institute of Public Health Charité
University Medicine
Berlin, Germany

**Colorectal Cancer Screening Event:
Sept. 28**

Think ahead! **Brovember** launches--Bros--grow your mo and help raise funds and awareness for the UVM Cancer Center!

3 SAVE THE DATE: 3rd Annual Men's Health and Cancer Conference

8 Cancer Control and Population Health Science Research Program Meeting; featuring a talk by Robert Gramling, MD; HSRF 200, 3:30-4:30 PM.

HealthSource

Your Health & Wellness Resource



FREE CLASSES – FALL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

HealthSource education programs and healthy lifestyle classes are offered by Community Health Improvement at The University of Vermont Medical Center. Many of these programs are FREE, unless otherwise noted.

An Alternative to Colonoscopy for Low Risk People

We will discuss the pros and cons of different types of colon cancer screening. If you are at normal or low risk for colon cancer you may choose to have a stool sample tested rather than have a colonoscopy to identify treatable cancers.

Qualified registrants may receive a free take home screening test.

WHEN Thursday, September 28, 6 – 7:30 pm

WHERE UVM Medical Center, Davis Auditorium, Main Campus

Pre-registration is required by calling (802) 847-7222 or registering online at UVMHealth.org/MedCenterHealthsource.

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New Member Spotlight: Andrea Villanti, MPH, PhD



[Andrea Villanti, MPH, PhD](#), associate professor of psychiatry, has joined the UVM Cancer Center as a full member in the Cancer Control and Population Health Science program. Her primary research focus is on young adult tobacco use, including looking at predictors and patterns of use and interventions to reduce tobacco use in young adults. She has expertise in translational research,

improving tobacco policy and program decision-making including tobacco regulator science. Dr. Villanti also serves as Project Director on the Vermont Center on Behavior and Health COBRE, leading a project to develop and test a novel smoking cessation intervention for socioeconomically-disadvantaged young adult smokers.

Upcoming Community Fundraisers to Benefit the UVM Cancer Center

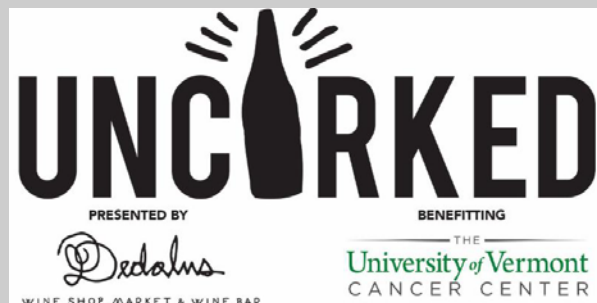
Olivia Johnson, community member and clinical research coordinator at the UVM Medical Center, has volunteered to organize two community fundraising events to benefit breast cancer research happening at the UVM Cancer Center:

DEDALUS WINE SHOP EVENT:

Wednesday, September 20th 5:30-10pm

Uncorked, hosted by Dedalus Wine Shop on Pine Street in Burlington: an outdoor wine and food pairing event featuring live band performance by Josh Panda and silent auction items. Tickets are \$45/person. All proceeds benefit the cause.

<https://dedaluswine.lpages.co/uncorked/>



UVM CAMPUS RECREATION BODY PUMP:

Saturday, September 30th 8am-12pm

Fourth Annual Pump for Pink Fundraiser benefitting the UVM Cancer Center's Breast Cancer Research hosted by UVM Campus Recreation in the UVM Athletic Complex Campus Rec studio: a fitness-based fundraiser including 3 Les Mills Body Pump classes 8-9am, 9:15-10:15am and 10:30-11:30am all first come first serve

This event is free to the public, UVM and UVMCC students and employees however, donations are optional but encouraged.

There will be raffle items and refreshments!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/863854137100610/?ti=icl>

Publications and Announcements

Please send announcements and publication notices to [Sarah Keblin](#) for inclusion in the eALERT and other promotional material

Publications:

[AMPK activity regulates trafficking of mitochondria to the leading edge during cell migration and matrix invasion.](#)

Cunniff B, McKenzie AJ, **Heintz NH**, **Howe AK**. Mol Biol Cell. 2016 Sep 1;27(17):2662-74. doi: 10.1091/mbc.E16-05-0286. Epub 2016 Jul 6. PMID: 27385336.

[Second opinion strategies in breast pathology: a decision analysis addressing over-treatment, under-treatment, and care costs.](#)

Tosteson ANA, Yang Q, Nelson HD, Longton G, Soneji SS, Pepe M, Geller B, Carney PA, Onega T, Allison KH, Elmore JG, **Weaver DL**. Breast Cancer Res Treat. 2017 Sep 6. doi: 10.1007/s10549-017-4432-0. [Epub ahead of print] PMID: 28879558.

[Anti-inflammatory roles of p38 \$\alpha\$ MAPK in macrophages are context dependent and require IL-10.](#)

Raza A, Crothers JW, McGill MM, Mawe GM, **Teuscher C**, Kremontsov DN. J Leukoc Biol. 2017 Sep 6. pii: jlb.2AB0116-009RR. doi: 10.1189/jlb.2AB0116-009RR. [Epub ahead of print] PMID: 28877953.

[Toxicity and Outcomes in Patients With and Without Esophageal Stents in Locally Advanced Esophageal Cancer.](#)

Francis SR, Orton A, Thorpe C, Stoddard G, Lloyd S, **Anker CJ**. Int J Radiat Oncol Biol Phys. 2017 Jun 26. pii: S0360-3016(17)33523-X. doi: 10.1016/j.ijrobp.2017.06.2457. [Epub ahead of print] PMID: 28864404.

[Decipher test impacts decision making among patients considering adjuvant and salvage treatment after radical prostatectomy: Interim results from the Multicenter Prospective PRO-IMPACT study.](#)

Gore JL, du Plessis M, Santiago-Jiménez M, Yousefi K, Thompson DJS, Karsh L, Lane BR, Franks M, Chen DYT, Bandyk M, Bianco FJ Jr, Brown G, Clark W, Kibel AS, Kim HL, Lowrance W, Manoharan M, Maroni P, **Perrapato S**, Sieber P, Trabulsi EJ, Waterhouse R, Davicioni E, Lotan Y, Lin DW. Cancer. 2017 Aug 1;123(15):2850-2859. doi: 10.1002/cncr.30665. Epub 2017 Apr 19. PMID: 2842227.

[Risk-adjustment methods for all-payer comparative performance reporting in Vermont.](#)

Finison K, Mohlman M, **Jones C**, Pinette M, Jorgenson D, Kinner A, Tremblay T, Gottlieb D. BMC Health Serv Res. 2017 Jan 19;17(1):58. doi: 10.1186/s12913-017-2010-0. PMID: 28103923.

[Role of local excision in the management of rectal cancer: what does the future hold?](#)

Cataldo PA. Tech Coloproctol. 2016 Nov;20(11):731-734. Epub 2016 Oct 20. No abstract available. PMID: 27766435.

Funding Opportunities Highlights

Please go to the [UVM Cancer Center Extramural Funding Opportunities](#) list on the UVM Cancer Center website for a more complete listing.

Extramural Funding

Applications for **National Cancer Institute (NCI)/NIH/DHHS [RFA-OD-17-012 Tobacco Regulatory Science Small Grant Program for New Investigators \(R03\)](#), [RFA-OD-17-013 Tobacco Regulatory Science \(R01\)](#) and [RFA-OD-17-014 Tobacco Regulatory Science \(R21\)](#) are due **September 18, 2017** with subsequent deadlines through February 13, 2019.**

Applications for **Conquer Cancer Foundation of ASCO's [Career Development Award \(CDA\)](#) and [Young Investigator Award \(YIA\)](#)** are due **September 21, 2017**.

Mandatory Letters of Intent for **American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)- [NextGen Grants for Transformative Cancer Research](#)** are due by 1:00 pm EST on **September 22, 2017**.

Updated Mandatory Letters of Intent for **American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA) [Research Collaboration Grants](#)** are due on **September 27, 2017** by noon Central Time.

Mandatory Letters of Intent for **American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) - [Anna D. Barker Fellowship in Basic Cancer Research](#) and [Basic Cancer Research Fellowships](#)** are due by 1:00 pm EST on **September 27, 2017**.

Planning grant applications for the **Burroughs Wellcome Fund (BWF) [Physician-Scientist Institutional Program](#)** are due by 4pm on **September 28, 2017**.

New Applications for **American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)-Conquer Cancer Foundation [Advanced Clinical Research Award \(ACRA\)](#)** are due **October 2, 2017**.

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New Mandatory Letters of Intent for **American Lung Association (ALA) [Lung Cancer Discovery Award](#)** are due **October 4, 2017**.

New Mandatory Letters of Intent for **Pablove Foundation [Childhood Cancer Research Seed Grants](#)** are due **October 19, 2017** at 5:00 pm Eastern Time.

Applications for numerous **American Cancer Society, Inc. (ACS)** awards, including [a\) Research Scholar Grants](#), [b\) Mentored Research Scholar Grants](#), [c\) Postdoctoral Fellowships](#), [d\) Cancer Control Career Development Awards for Primary Care Physicians](#), [e\) Research Scholar Grant in the Role of Healthcare and Insurance in Improving Outcomes in Cancer Prevention, Early Detection and Treatment](#), and [f\) Pilot and Exploratory Projects in Palliative Care of Cancer Patients and Their Families](#) are due on **October 16, 2017**.

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