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National Cancer Audit
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HEALTHCARE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

Clinical Effectiveness Unit-RCSEng

NATIONAL CANCER AUDIT COLLABORATING CENTRE (NATCAN)

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Director of Operations (Julie Nossiter), Clinical Director (Ajay Aggarwal),
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Senior Statistician (Kate Walker),
Senior Clinical Epidemiologist (Jan van der Meulen)

TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP

CLINICAL REFERENCE / ADVISORY GROUPS (one for each cancer audit)

Centre-level team members:

Project Manager (Verity Walker),
Quality Improvement Clinical Fellow (Sugeeta Sukumar),
Data Scientists (Kit Ying, Clare Peckitt),
Data Manager (Abhishek Dixit),
Project Coordinators (Faine Chan, Aurelia Chen, Stephen Burrows, Augusto Nembrini da Rocha)

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT TEAM (working with all cancer audits)

PATIENT AND CARER PANELS (one for each cancer audit)

CEU: NVR & Crane / health services projects

Lung cancer

Clinical leads: Neal Navani (Respiratory medicine), Doug West (Surgery, SCTs), John Conibear (Oncology, RCR)
Senior Methodologist: David Cromwell/
Methodologist: Sarah Cook
Statistician/Data Scientist: Adrian Cook, Ella Barber
Clinical Fellow: Lauren Dixon
Audit Manager: Joanne Boudour

Prostate cancer

Clinical leads: Alison Tree (Oncology, BUG), Noel Clarke (Surgery, BAUS)
Senior Methodologists: Jan van der Meulen, Tom Cowling
Statistician/Data Scientist: Adrian Cook, Emily Mayne
Clinical Fellows: Joanna Dodkins, Arjun Nathan, Justin Liu, Matt Parry
Audit Manager: Marina Parry

Bowel cancer

Clinical leads: Mike Braun (Oncology), Nicola Fearnhead (Surgery, ACPGBI)
Senior Methodologists: Jan van der Meulen, Kate Walker
Methodologist: Sarah Cook
Clinical Fellow: Adil Rashid, Leo Watton
Data Scientists: Angela Kuryba; Helen Blake
Audit Manager: Karen Darley

OG cancer

Clinical leads: Nigel Trudgill (Gastroenterology, BSG), James Gossage (Surgery, AUGIS), Tom Crosby/Betsan Thomas
Senior Methodologist: David Cromwell
Methodologist: Min Hae Park
Data Scientist: Amanda McDonell
Clinical Fellow: Olivia O'Connor
Audit Manager: Karen Darley

Breast cancer: Primary

Clinical leads: David Dodwell (Oncology, UKBCG), Keiran Horgan (Surgery, ABS)
Senior Methodologist: David Cromwell
Methodologist: Diana Withrow
Clinical Fellows: Jemma Boyle, Sarah Blacker, Liyang Wang
Data Scientist: Christine Delon
Audit Manager: Robert Deuce

Breast cancer: Metastatic

Clinical leads: David Dodwell, Keiran Horgan, Mark Verill (Medical Oncology, UKBCG)
Senior Methodologist: David Cromwell
Methodologist: Diana Withrow
Clinical Fellows: Jemma Boyle, Georgina Hanbury, Liyang Wang, Georgina Hanbury
Data Scientist: Christine Delon
Audit Manager: Robert Douce

Pancreatic cancer

Clinical leads: Nigel Trudgill (Gastroenterology, BSG), Andrew Smith (Surgery, AUGIS), Ganesh Radhakrishna (RCR)
Senior Methodologist: David Cromwell
Methodologist: Min Hae Park
Clinical Fellow: Suzi Nallamilili, Justin Liu
Data Scientist: Amanda McDonell
Audit Manager: Vikki Hart

Kidney cancer

Clinical leads: Amit Bahl (Oncology, BUG), Grant Stewart (Surgery, BAUS)
Senior Methodologists: Jan van der Meulen, Tom Cowling
Clinical Fellow: Raghav Varma
Data Scientist: Emily Mayne
Audit Manager: Marina Parry

Ovarian cancer

Clinical leads: Sudha Sundar (Surgery, BGCS), Agnieszka Michael (Medical Oncology, BGCS)
Senior Methodologists: Jan van der Meulen, Ipek Gurool Urganci
Methodologist: Andrew Hutchings
Clinical Fellow: Georgia Zachou
Data Scientist: Jessica Thomas
Audit Manager: Jo Boudour

Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

Clinical leads: Cathy Burton (Haematology, BSH)
David Cutter (Oncology, BSH)
Senior Methodologists: Kate Walker,
Methodologist: Lu Han
Clinical Fellow: Ruhi Kanani
Data Scientist: Ella Barber
Audit Manager: Vikki Hart

LSHTM: NIHR, MRC funded health services research

NHSE/ National Disease Registration Service
Digital Health and Care Wales/Wales

ABS, Association of Breast Surgery; ACPGBI, Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland; AUGIS, Association of Upper Gastrointestinal Surgeons; BAUS, British Association of Urological Surgeons; BSG, British Society of Gastroenterology; BSH, British Society of Haematology; BUG, British Uro-oncology Group; CEU, Clinical Effectiveness Unit; HQIP, Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership; LSHTM, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine; MRC, Medical Research Council; NHSE, National Health Service England; NIHR, National Institute for Health and Care Research; NVR, National Vascular Registry; UKBCG, UK Breast Cancer Group; RCR, Royal College of Radiologists; RCSEng, Royal College of Surgeons of England; SCTs, Society for Cardiothoracic Surgery.