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Georgia CORE Investigator-Initiated Breast Cancer Trials: Video Update

Ruth O'Regan, MD, Associate Professor of Hematology and Oncology at the Emory Winship Cancer Institute, Director of Winship's Translational Breast Cancer Research Program and a Georgia Cancer Coalition Distinguished Cancer Scholar, has released the third series of an educational video program to provide updates for the Georgia CORE breast cancer trials. The educational program is funded by the Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

In this video update, Dr. O'Regan provides an update on the existing Georgia CORE breast cancer trials. An update on the accrual for each trial is also discussed in the video. Dr. O'Regan also describes a new Triple Negative trial that is open at Winship Cancer Institute: Phase II Trial of Gemcitabine and Oxaliplatin for ER-, PR-, HER2Neu- (Triple Negative) Metastatic Breast Cancer.

Georgia CORE Investigator-Initiated Breast Cancer Trials

- Randomized Phase II Trial of Sequential Docetaxel followed by Capecitabine versus Concomitant Docetaxel/Capecitabine as Induction Therapy for Early Stage Breast Cancer
- Phase II Neoadjuvant Trial of Trastuzumab in Combination with Dose-Dense ABI-007 (Abraxane) Followed by Vinorelbine for HER2 Overexpressing Early Stage Breast Cancer

To view the video update, please visit

<http://georgiacore.org/articleDetail.aspx?articleID=92>.

Directory of Clinical Research Professionals Now Online

Georgia CORE is pleased to announce that the Directory of Clinical Research Professionals is now online. The Directory of Georgia Clinical

Research Professionals was developed to enhance communication among clinical research nurses, managers, associates, data managers and other clinical research professionals who provide quality clinical trials to the community. Georgia CORE recognizes the contributions of clinical research professionals across the state and has developed this Directory of over 100 profiles, which includes information such as education and training, research interests, network affiliations and organizational information.

To view the Directory of Clinical Research Professionals, please visit <http://georgiacore.org/researchCRPDirectory.aspx>.

Become a Contributing Member

We encourage you to become a contributing member of Georgia CORE. Your **tax-deductible contribution of \$100** helps provide the following services:

- Your **Personalized Profile** as a Georgia oncologist The Georgia CORE Directory www.georgiacore.org/directory
- **Clinical Trials Listings** with links to Georgia oncologists' profiles Georgia Cancer Trials www.georgiacancertrials.org
- **Educational Programs and Training** for clinical research associates and principal investigators
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Announcements

February 7th--- 6th Annual Atlanta Lung Cancer Symposium

The 6th Annual Atlanta Lung Cancer Symposium will be held on

February 7, 2009 at the Omni Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The meeting is sponsored by Educational Concepts Group in association with the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education (Georgia CORE), Georgia Cancer Coalition and Georgia Society of Clinical Oncology (GASCO).

On February 7, 2009, a host of national and international participants will gather to share findings from cutting-edge research and clinical information to enhance expertise in the medical management of lung cancer. Drs. Rodolfo E. Bordoni, Georgia Cancer Specialists, Fadlo R. Khuri, Emory University Winship Cancer Institute, and William R. Mayfield, Thoracic Surgery Associates, PC serve as co-chairs of the symposium.

To view the symposium agenda, please visit <http://www.atlantalung.net>.

February 21st --- Emory Winship Cancer Institute: Updates in the Management of Head and Neck Cancers Symposium

The Emory Winship Cancer Institute will host a one-day educational activity, "Updates in the Management of Head and Neck Cancers" on Saturday, February 21, 2009 at the Grand Hyatt Atlanta.

According to recent statistics from the NCI, the state of Georgia ranks among the highest in the nation in head and neck cancer incidence. Diagnosis and treatment for head and neck cancers vary with providers across the state. This course will focus on current and future treatments and therapies for head and neck cancers.

The Emory University School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 6 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

This education activity is designed for medical oncologists, radiation oncologists and otolaryngologists. To register for this course, log onto www.emory.edu/CME or call 404-727-5695.

March 20-21st--- Oncology Nursing Symposium: “Advancing the Possibilities”

The Emory Winship Cancer Institute will host a two-day educational activity, "Advancing the Possibilities" March 20-21, 2009 at the Evergreen Marriott Conference Resort Stone Mountain, Georgia. The symposium provides an intimate learning environment in which the

following oncology nursing topics will be explored: inpatient nursing, outpatient nursing, advanced nursing practice and research nursing.

This activity is approved for up to 9.5 contact hours. Partial credit hours are available for attending only the Friday or only the Saturday session.

For more information, please visit www.cancer.emory.edu. Scroll over the “Training and Education” tab and click “Seminars.” Click “More Info” under “Oncology Nursing Symposium” and follow the links to register online.

*** We look forward to hearing from you. Please forward your feedback/announcements to Shaunta Wright at swright@georgiacore.org.**