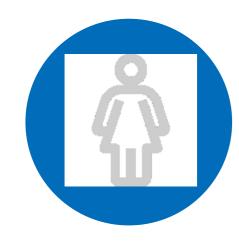
# Translational Science in TARPSWG

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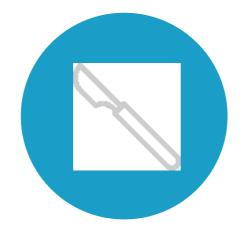




## MISSION of TARPSWG



Evaluate current
outcomes and evidence in
the management
of patients with primary,
locally recurrent, and
metastatic retroperitoneal
sarcoma



Develop evidencebased expert consensus guidelines to standardize care of this complex and rare disease globally



Develop prospective clinical trials to address seminal clinical questions and enhance patient enrollment in prioritized clinical trials



Facilitate
translational
scientific research
to advance
fundamental
knowledge and
develop novel
therapies

#### **Translational Research Goals:**

- 1. Develop important biologic questions, protocols approved by Translational Working Group
- 2. Participation in correlative scientific studies from clinical trials
- 3. Ongoing biobanking with clinical outcomes
- 4. Grant collaboration, engaging sarcoma research network

First working group meeting: September 24, 2020





#### PARTICIPANTS AND EXPERTISE IN TARPSWG TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE GROUP

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Alessandro Gronchi, Instituto dei Tumori, Milan, IT – Biobanking, drug therapy

Paul Huang, The Institute of Cancer Research, London, UK – Proteomics, microenvironment

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# TARPSWG: Global Collaboration for Translational Science



- 1. Identify key biologic questions based on clinical observation
- Why do LMS patients have high rate of metastasis?
- Does GIST mutational status correlate with site?
- How to we harness the immune response in sarcoma?
- What are the drivers of local recurrence in liposarcoma?
- 2. Correlative science: evaluate responders vs. non-responders in clinical trials
- Goal to understand non-responders vs. responders in STRASS2
- 3. Biobank patient specimens linked with patient outcome data
- 4. Network with basic scientists, drug development, bioengineering etc. to secure funding and advance knowledge in this rare family of disease



### **STRASS2 Correlative Studies**

# STRASS2 translational research - Eva Wardelmann, Paul Huang, Christina Messiou

#### Sample collection in STRASS 2

- Tissue Pre-treatment biopsies and surgical specimens (FFPE mandatory, frozen optional)
- Bloods At multiple time-points, (EDTA-mandatory, STRECK-mandatory, SST-optional)
- Primary aim is to identify biomarkers for NACT response and resistance
  - 1. Evaluating molecular/immune characteristics relevant to response
  - 2. Correlation of pathology and imaging features
  - 3. Radiomics for prediction of treatment outcome
- Funding has been obtained via the Sarcoma Accelerator Award to fund multi-omic analysis of tissue (WES, RNASeq, proteomics) with planned integration with radiomics and computational pathology



#### Agenda for Translational Science Meeting – January 2021

- 1. STRASS 2: which opportunities do we have for translational research within this trial? Who is participating, how to leverage samples.
- 2. Brainstorm session:
  - > Prioritize the most critical questions to be answered from a clinical perspective what translational methods to use to address these problems?
  - > How can we collaborate to address these questions by dividing the work and/or apply for grants together?
- 3. LPS samples and how to share this resource
- 4. Review proposals

# Translational Research In TARPSWG

FEEDBACK?

