



Dear Dylan,

I hope you're enjoying a restful and reinvigorating summer. Here in the Early Detection team we're busy preparing for the [Early Detection of Cancer Conference 2018](#), now just a month away. Take a look at our [2017 conference report](#) to recap on the insights and debates from last year.

In this issue, Dr Janet Risk talks to us about her research in the early detection of oral cancers, and how collaborating with physicists led to her successfully securing a Cancer Research UK Early Detection Project Award.

You can also check out our proposed actions to drive progress in bringing novel research to the clinic in the report from our recent workshop held with the Academy of Medical Sciences.

We'd love to hear your feedback on your career progression in early detection. Share your views in our survey below.

Best wishes,

**David Crosby**  
**Head of Early Detection Research**  
**Cancer Research UK**

**UPCOMING FUNDING DEADLINES**

20  
SEP

**PRIMER AWARD**

EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER, MID-CAREER RESEARCHER,  
ESTABLISHED INDEPENDENT RESEARCHER, NON-CLINICAL  
RESEARCHER, CLINICIAN

25  
SEP

**PROGRAMME AWARD (OUTLINE)**

ESTABLISHED INDEPENDENT RESEARCHER, CLINICIAN, NON-  
CLINICAL RESEARCHER

29  
NOV

**PROJECT AWARD**

EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER, MID-CAREER RESEARCHER,  
INDEPENDENT RESEARCHER, CLINICIAN, NON-CLINICAL  
RESEARCHER

7  
JAN

**PIONEER AWARD**

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHERS, PROFESSORS, CLINICIANS,  
START-UPS

[View all our funding schemes](#)



## DON'T MISS THE EARLY DETECTION OF CANCER CONFERENCE

OHSU Knight Cancer Institute, Canary Center at Stanford and Cancer Research UK are bringing the conference to the US this year.

Come and get an insight on the latest research happening worldwide from exceptional speakers, such as Doug Easton, Sylvia Plevritis, Ruth Etzioni and many more.

**2-4 October  
Portland, Oregon, US**

[Register here](#)

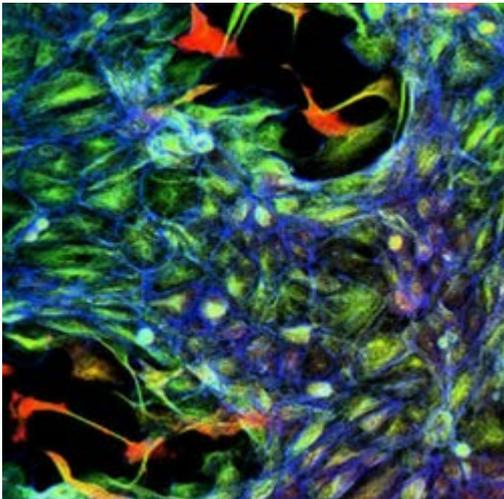


## NEED A REFRESHER ON LAST YEAR'S CONFERENCE?

We've captured the wide-ranging debate from last year's conference in a meeting report.

Topics include imaging, the tumour environment, liquid biopsies and ctDNA, and technology.

[Read the report](#)



## WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT APPLICATION?

Dr Janet Risk talks about how collaborating with physicists and translational researchers has led to a Cancer Research UK Early Detection Project Award.

Her team will go on to develop infrared imaging technology as a tool for early detection of oral cancer.

[Read Janet's story](#)



## AIDING TRANSLATION TO THE CLINIC

We're working with the Academy of Medical Sciences to address the development pathway from research to



## BUILDING RELATIONS WITH INDUSTRY

Are you interested in collaborating with industry on big data, artificial intelligence, and imaging?

implementation in the health system.

Our new report proposes ways forward, including a national repository of longitudinal samples linked to clinical data, 'clinical trial units' for diagnostics, and developing a roadmap for the translation of early detection and diagnosis tests.

[Read more](#)

Following the format of July's highly successful networking event on 'Early detection *in vitro* diagnostics', we are teaming up with Innovate UK's Knowledge Transfer Network again in January 2019 for more structured matchmaking between academic and industry researchers, to help you identify potential collaborators. Register your interest now and we'll email you when registration opens.

[Register your interest](#)



## YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO APPLY TO OUR PRIMER AWARD

Do you have an exciting early detection idea to try out or a new collaboration you'd like to establish? Then the Primer Award could be the right funding opportunity. This award provides up to £100,000 to develop innovative ideas, pilot data and partnerships in early detection. Apply by **20 September**.

[Apply here](#)



## HAVE YOUR SAY

What is your experience in moving into early detection?

We're doing a survey to understand the challenges to establishing a successful research career in early detection, particularly for early career researchers.

We want to hear from students, postdocs, clinicians and established academics to get a full picture of your issues and what initiatives and resources would support you when entering into a career in early detection.

[Share your views](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

14  
SEP

### [MOLECULAR ANALYSIS FOR PERSONALISED THERAPY](#)

14 – 16 SEPTEMBER  
PARIS, FRANCE

2  
OCT

### [EARLY DETECTION OF CANCER CONFERENCE](#)

2 – 4 OCTOBER  
PORTLAND, OREGON, US

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