# Cancer Cachexia Society

## Newsletter

Spring 2024



Activities organized by the <u>Cancer Cachexia Society</u> (CCS) are made possible by membership fees, conference fees, and sponsorships. We ask that you please maintain your active membership to allow such activities to continue. The journey towards treatments for cancer cachexia needs all of us.

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#### **CCS ADVOCACY NETWORK**

In December, 2023, Martin Kochanczyk of the CCS Patient and Caregiver Advocacy Committee launched a new advocacy website which includes new educational videos and a curated list of clinical trials that cancer patients with cachexia might be interested in:

https://www.cancercachexianetwork.org/clinical-trials

#### **CCS MONTHLY SEMINARS**

The online monthly seminar series continues to be well supported, with an average attendance of 60-70 people. Upcoming seminars:

March 13th: Danna M. Green, PhD May 15th: Anne-Catherine Laurin, PhD

https://www.cancercachexiasociety.org/seminar-of-the-

month

### CCS CLINICAL TRIALS ADVISORY BOARD

We adopt a constructive and supportive approach to facilitate the transition of cachexia research from concept to fruition. We welcome proposals for various clinical trials, and for investigator-led trials, with no fee for academic members. For more information: <a href="https://www.cancercachexiasociety.org/ctab">https://www.cancercachexiasociety.org/ctab</a>

#### **CCS WORKSHOP**

On April 5, 2024, Drs. Denis Guttridge and Fabio Penna of the CCS are co-organizing a cancer cachexia workshop, specifically to discuss guidelines and standard operating procedures (SOPs) in the use of the more common mouse models of cancer cachexia. This workshop will be held at, and co-hosted by, the University of California San Diego, and was developed with the goal of trying to unify our field in adopting SOPs in the use of the common mouse models of cancer cachexia for basic research and translational studies.

#### **CCS TRAINEES**

The CCS is committed to the professional development of its trainee members and has launched several initiatives in this regard. These include:

i) "Next Generation" Research presentations, poster prizes, and travel awards at the biennial CCS Conferences; ii) trainee talks in the monthly online seminar series; iii) office hours with board members, which will launch in April, and; iv) a dedicated page on the CCS website featuring trainee members (https://www.cancercachexiasociety.org/trainee-members).

#### CCS CONFERENCE

The 8th Cancer Cachexia Conference will take place on September 25-27, 2025 at the University of Torino, Torino, Italy.

