



Study Title	Type	Status	Funding
Statin Discontinuation	RCT	Enrollment complete; manuscript submitted	National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)
Pharmacovigilance	Quality	Active enrollment; initial sites	CLHC, UC GIM & UCSF*
Best Supportive Care	Implementation	Study Roll-out	American Cancer Society (ACS)
QDACT-PCRC	Quality	Protocol Development	Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality (AHRQ)

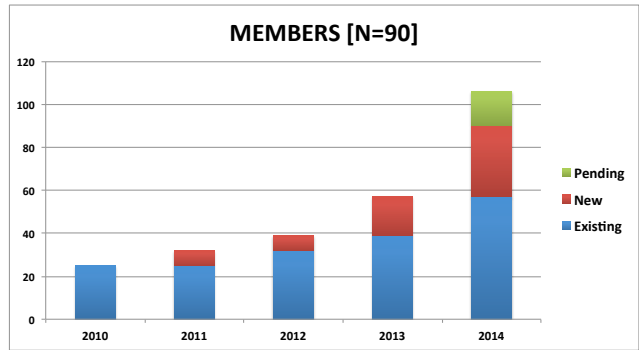
\* Duke University's Center for Learning Health Care, University of Colorado's Division of General Internal Medicine and University of California San Francisco's Division of Geriatrics

**Investigator Development Funding Opportunity!**

The PCRC is excited to announce the first Investigator Development Pilot Awards of its 4-year program! This particular Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is designed to provide mentorship and seed funding for research activities conducted through the PCRC. The FOA encourages small research grant applications focused on supporting investigator development for building the science of palliative care. Funded proposals will use the PCRC infrastructure, may draw upon PCRC generated data, and involve PCRC investigators as mentors. **Awards:** The first year of this PCRC pilot program includes a total of 4 awards. **Eligibility:** At least one of the Principal Investigators must be a PCRC member or PCRC Junior Investigator Member. And the Principal Investigator OR at least one member of the application team must be a Junior Investigator.

**PCRC Community is Expanding!**

We are so happy to announce that the PCRC now consists of 90 members from 47 locations! Remember, if you know someone who would make a great future PCRC member, please encourage them to complete the online application by clicking "Join us" on the PCRC home page. Questions? Contact: [pcrc@duke.edu](mailto:pcrc@duke.edu)



FOA Key Dates	
Interest Letter (required)	July 14, 2014
Application	August 1, 2014
Scientific Review	August/September 2014
Earliest Start Date	October 1, 2014
Award Cycle	October 1, 2014-June 30, 2015

**Overview:** The FOA is available on the PCRC homepage: [www.palliativecareresearch.org](http://www.palliativecareresearch.org) **Questions:** Contact Carey Candrian ([carey.candrian@ucdenver.edu](mailto:carey.candrian@ucdenver.edu)).

**Dissemination of Study Results**

Last month PCRC Members traveled to Lleida, Spain for the 8th World Research Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care (EAPC) and Chicago for the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) conference. In Spain, PCRC Co-Chair Jean Kutner presented both the statin study results and a session on enhancing the capacity for rigorous family caregiver research through the development of the PCRC Caregiver Research Core to participants from over 55 countries. Meanwhile, in Chicago, PCRC Co-Chair Amy Abernethy presented the statin study results and received national press regarding the safety of discontinuing statins in life-limiting illness. It was great to see so many PCRC members in attendance at these important meetings!

**Save the Date: Fall Investigator Meeting**

Current PCRC members are invited to attend the Face-to-Face Investigators Meeting in Chicago on October 15-16, 2014 at a location near to the O'Hare airport. Contact Jordan Lodato ([jordan.lodato@duke.edu](mailto:jordan.lodato@duke.edu)) if you have any questions. Hope to see any and all current members in Chicago!

**Studies on the Horizon**

The PCRC is excited to welcome 4-6 new investigators whose R01 proposals, funded through the NINR, will be conducted using PCRC infrastructure and resources starting this fall! Additionally, the PCRC is thrilled to provide investigator development support through 4 pilot awards also starting in the fall. Together, we are supporting investigator development for building the science of palliative care!

**PCRC Centers and Cores - Who's Who**

Please get to know PCRC's Centers and Cores because they are outstanding resources:

Centers/Cores	Leaders
Investigator Development Center	Christine Ritchie
Data, Statistics & Informatics Core	Greg Samsa & Jud Blatchford
Caregiver Core	Betty Ferrell & Virginia Sun
Clinical Studies Core	Frank Keefe & Tammy Somers
Measurement Core	Ethan Basch & Antonia Bennett

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