



33rd IACR Meeting – Mauritius 11 - 13 October 2011

We are pleased to announce the opening of the website <http://www.iacr2011.org> for the forthcoming IACR meeting in Mauritius. The website provides full details regarding registration, abstract submission and application for financial support. You will also find details about hotels, travel and other practical information.

The main theme of the meeting will be *Cancer in Countries in Transition*, with the following subthemes:

- Cancer in Mauritius
- Infections and cancer
- Cancer screening in developing countries
- Women's cancer in developing countries
- Tobacco and cancer
- Role of cancer registries in cancer control
- Liver cancer

The following speakers have agreed to give keynote presentations on the above topics:

Dr Shyam Manraj, National Cancer Registry Co-ordinator (Mauritius)
Dr Rob Newton, Reader in Clinical Epidemiology at the University of York (UK)
Dr R Sankaranarayanan, Head, Section of Early Detection and Prevention, International Agency for Research on Cancer, Lyon (France)
Dr Lynette Denny, Head of Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Groote Schuur Hospital and University, Cape Town. (South Africa)
Prof Prabhat Jha, Research Chair of Health and Development at the University of Toronto (Canada)
Dr Joe Harford, Director, Office of International Affairs, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda (USA)
Dr Christopher Wild, Director, International Agency for Research on Cancer, Lyon (France)

Pre-meeting courses on “*Examining time trends and making predictions*” (led by Dr Freddie Bray, IARC) and “*CanReg5*” (led by Morten Ervik, IARC) will be held on Monday October 10th.

Social events will include a welcoming cocktail, a gala dinner, and the choice of two tours to visit the beautiful island of Mauritius.

IACR Members can benefit from the ‘early bird’ registration fee of US\$450 until **10 September 2011**.

Those who wish to submit an abstract (oral and poster presentation) are invited to do so now, through the website. The deadline is **31 May 2011**.

Participants from low and medium income countries may apply for financial support to attend IACR 2011 and one of the pre-meeting courses. Applications for financial support are available on www.iacr.iarc.fr and www.iacr2011.org. The deadline to apply is **31 May 2011**. Please note that, to qualify for this sponsorship, the applicant is required to have submitted an abstract and that his/her abstract has been accepted by the Scientific Committee. Decisions on the award will be communicated to applicants by the end of July.

Applicants may also apply to the **Constance Percy Memorial Fund** for support towards travel costs (three fellowships for up to US\$1,000 each)

There will be another opportunity to compete **The Enrico Anglesio Prize**, awarded to a young cancer epidemiology researcher on two occasions: the yearly GRELL Meeting, and, now for the second year, the IACR Meeting. Details on the prize are available on the Fondo Anglesio Moroni website (www.anglesiomoroni.org)

Next IACR Annual Meeting

Cork (Ireland): 17 – 19 September 2012

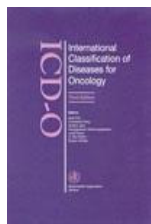
Election of General Secretary

Dr Sabine Siesling (Netherlands) has been elected as **General Secretary**. Her term of office is for the remainder of a four-year term, starting from 11 October 2010.

A vacancy is now open for a Regional Representative for Europe.

More information is available on:
<http://www.iacr.com.fr/elections-2010.htm>

Updates to ICD-O-3 Planned



The *International Classification of Diseases for Oncology, Third Edition* (ICD-O-3) has not been updated since its publication in 2000. Since then, several volumes of the World Health Organization (WHO) *Classification of Tumours* (the Blue Books) have been published. These volumes identified newly defined neoplasms in the central nervous, lymphoid, hematopoietic, and digestive systems and proposed morphology codes for the new terms. Last year at a meeting of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)/WHO Committee for ICD-O, many of these new terms and codes were approved for inclusion in ICD-O.

Approximately 50 new entities have received new code numbers in ICD-O. Of these, approximately 40 have a behavior code of /3 (malignant), which will impact cancer registration. Most of the newly described malignant neoplasms are hematopoietic and lymphoid morphologies, M-9590 - M-9992. In addition, a similar number of related terms and synonyms were added to existing ICD-O codes.

Responsibility for the publication and dissemination of the new codes resides with the Cancer Information Section (CIN) at IARC together with colleagues at WHO, IARC, WHO, and the Committee are preparing a list of new entities and codes for international distribution this summer as a supplement to the current ICD-O-3. **ICD-O-3 will not be republished incorporating these codes and terms.** Work is also underway on proposed revisions to the neoplasms chapter of ICD-11, which is still a few years away. A new edition of ICD-O is being considered after the publication of ICD-11.

For further information, contact Dr. David Forman, head of the Cancer Information Section at IARC, formand@iarc.fr.

CI5 Volume X - Call for Data



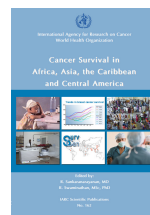
Population-based cancer registries will shortly be receiving requests to contribute their data to the tenth volume of *Cancer Incidence in Five Continents* (CI5). This will include incident cancers for the period 2003-2007 although, for relevant registries, the data will also be used to update the annual time trend series in CI5plus. As previously, CI5 Volume X will be a collaborative project between IACR and IARC. An Editorial Board has been established comprising David Forman, Freddie Bray, Jacques Ferlay and Eva Steliarova, representing IARC, and David Brewster (Scotland), Marion Pineros (Colombia), Charles Gombe (Republic of Congo), Betsy Kohler (USA) and Rajaraman Swaminathan (India) representing IACR.

The 1st Editorial Board meeting was held in Lyon on 28 and 29 March 2011 and agreed to issue the call for data in May 2011 with a view to publication in 2012. Consistent with previous practice, submitted datasets would be carefully evaluated by the Editorial Board to ensure tabulations published in CI5 are of appropriate quality. However, efforts would be made to ensure publication of all datasets submitted in a variety of ancillary formats.

It is planned for facilities to be available for cancer registries to upload their data on-line, via an IARC portal that can also be used for other related data calls. The CI5 questionnaire will also be made available for on-line completion. More details will follow.

Cancer Survival in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and Central America

(IARC Scientific Publication No. 162 Edited by R. Sankaranarayanan and R Swaminathan)



This new IARC publication from the SurvCan project, produced in collaboration with cancer registries in low and middle income regions of the world, will be published on 10 May 2011. The volume provides a follow-up to *Cancer Survival in Developing Countries* (IARC Scientific Publication No. 145) published in 1998. Analyses are provided of survival rates from 27 cancer registries in 14 countries for cases diagnosed in the period 1990-2001. SurvCan software can be accessed at <http://survcan.iarc.fr> and the volume can be downloaded as a pdf from the same site. The SurvCan project will be continuing within the Cancer Information Section at IARC.

For further information on IACR activities, please consult our website www.iacr.com.fr.