

## CREW

**Hello once again!** It has been some time since we last sent a newsletter, so we felt it was time to give you a brief update on what we have been busy with in the Macmillan Survivorship Research Group.

Just before Christmas, Macmillan Cancer Support agreed to continue funding CREW to allow further follow-up assessments. This means that we can send out 4 and 5 year follow up questionnaires to patients. The study will continue being led by the Macmillan Survivorship Research Group team at the University of Southampton, where the questionnaires are being analysed. We look forward to taking the patients that you helped us to recruit at baseline, into our 4 year follow up. Even if these patients have moved on the responses they provide in the questionnaires are still very valuable to us.

Throughout the years of collecting data we have continued to modify our questionnaires so that they reflect the stages a patient may be at. The questionnaires are still made up of both standardised questionnaires and open responses so that we can get as much data as possible on each person's experiences and feelings towards their cancer and recovery.

### Meet the Macmillan Survivorship Research Group team at the University of Southampton



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## MSRG Announcements!



Claire Foster, Director of MSRG, has recently been promoted to Professor, so huge congratulations to her on this amazing achievement!

We have two new members of the team, Kerry and Amy. Kerry Coleman is the new administrator for MSRG. Kerry took over from Carol Hill in December last year.

Amy Din is the new Senior Research Assistant for the CREW study. Amy started in October last year and looks after the day-to-day running of CREW.

If you have any queries about CREW you can contact Kerry or Amy on the details below.

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Although it has been a few years now since you recruited your patients for our study, we remain very grateful to each of our sites for your help and continued crucial support with any queries we have about patients. Your amazing efforts have meant that we have a study that can describe the population of those with colorectal cancer and understand what influences the course of recovery, thereby finding out ways to help with the recovery process.

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We are busy working on publications from the study! If you would like to know about any of our publications or a summary of our results to date please let us know.

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If you have not already seen it, you might want to take a look at our short film about the CREW cohort study. The film talks about the study and has interviews with some of the patients.

To watch the short film it go to **[www.southampton.ac.uk/msrg](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/msrg)**

We also have a Twitter page if you would like to follow us: **@macmillanuos**

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Once again thank you for your continued support.

## FAQs

Q	How do patients consent to take part in the follow up questionnaires?
A	<i>Patients consent to take part simply by filling out and returning the questionnaire to us.</i>
Q	How do we know which patients from our site are still in the study?
A	<i>If you would like a list of patients from your site that still remain in the study, please drop us an email with your fax number and we can arrange a list. Our email address is:</i> <b><a href="mailto:crew@soton.ac.uk">crew@soton.ac.uk</a></b>

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