

"Providing an opportunity for multiple myeloma patients and their loved ones to come together to exchange information for mutual support, comfort, and friendship"

Meeting: Meetings will resume when we are allowed to gather at the address below.

451 Junction Road Madison, WI

UW West Clinic Room 1287

Enter the clinic... turn left and walk down a short hall...turn left again and conference room 1287 is the last one on the left.

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Myeloma Crowd / Health Tree Foundation

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www.myelomacrowd.org

New resource addition above.

September 2021 Myeloma Newsletter

Upcoming speakers-

Dr. Natalie Callander from the UW Carbone Cancer Center will be our featured speaker at our October meeting. She will be joining us at 4:30pm.

A big thank you to Connie Deer and Ruth McNeill for their generous contributions to our group. It will go along way to help with postage and mailing expenses for the newsletter and special mailings to our newest members. THANK YOU!

Our condolences to the families of Joyce Pollack of Kissimmee, FL and Mary Lou Hudack of Wisconsin Dells, WI. Joyce joined our group newsletter listing August 2011. She moved to Florida to

be near her family but kept an active interest in our communications.

Mary Lou Hudack joined the group September 2005. She was a good friend to many during her meeting visits. Always a joy to hear from her and we understood that softball, volleyball and bowling were activities that brought her joy. Not always able to attend many meetings, she was an active newsletter reader. We will miss them both.

Just got my internet back up today, September 16th. I have been without it since last Saturday, September 11th and was hoping to get this newsletter out so people could take advantage of Dr A's presentation. I am checking with Myeloma Crowd to see if it was recorded. I will let you know what I find out.

Interested in what Dr A has been up to?

So Cal Myeloma Community Chapter: Conversation with Dr. Fotis Asimakopoulos, UCSD

Was held on September 14, 2021

Renowned myeloma expert, Dr. Fotis Asimakopoulos, from the University of California at San Diego, will speak on the topic of "What Myeloma Patients Need to Know and Do with Their Genetic Information". In addition, he will also be available to answer questions ranging from myeloma basics to the latest research on treatment options. This will be an informative, interactive meeting -- so bring your questions! No matter where you are in your cancer journey, you are sure to learn something from Dr. Asimakopoulos.

Where Are We? Where Are We Going? Assessing the State of Myeloma:
Register Now for the Myeloma Crowd Round Table Webcast on September 25

Two World-Recognized Experts Reflect on the State of Myeloma Treatment and Research

Drs. **Rafael Fonseca**, from the Mayo Clinic, and **Ola Landgren**, formerly from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and now with the University of Miami.

https://www.myelomacrowd.org/event/where-are-we-where-are-we-going-register-now-for-the-myeloma-crowd-round-table-webcast-on-september-25-1/

In the Myeloma Today publication- Summer 2021

American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) included a presentation on induction therapy with 4-drug combos vs 3-drugs. Clinical trials are reporting deep responses adding Darzalex or Sarclisa to Velcade, Revlimid and Dex or Kyprolis, Revlimid and Dex. Several clinical trials are showing deep

responses to the 4 drug combos. This is especially beneficial to patients who intend to proceed to a stem cell transplant.

If you haven't signed up for your copy of Myeloma Today, go to the "Publications and Videos" tab on the IMF website. On the left hand side, click on Myeloma Today and **sign up for your free copy.**

Our virtual meetings are on the Zoom platform.

Our meeting for September 21, 2021 will be from 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting

https://myeloma-org.zoom.us/j/84457667535?pwd=V0lJTDNQU2FOZ1hMUkFaRmJBc0Qzdz09

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Find your local number: https://myeloma-org.zoom.us/u/kyMbCRs05

IMF Info Line – If you or someone you care for has Myeloma, you have questions. Probably, lots of them. You can search the Internet all you want, but other than asking your doctor, there is no better way to get your questions answered than to call the IMF Info Line. Missy, Judy and Paul know their stuff and they want to share what they know with you. Just ask anyone who has called the IMF Info Line. Patients or caregivers are welcome to contact the Info Line staffed by trained specialists at 800-452-CURE (800-452-2873). The Info Line is staffed between 9am and 4pm Pacific Time, 11am to 6pm Central time or infoline@myeloma.org.

The Trillium Fund was established by our founding support group members to facilitate Multiple Myeloma research here in Madison at the Wisconsin Institute of Medical Research. If you or your family wish to donate or send a memorial to this program, checks can be made payable to the "UW Foundation – Trillium Fund" and sent to UW Carbone Cancer Center, University of Wisconsin Foundation, 1848 University Ave, Madison, WI 53726. Donations may also be made online at www.supportuw.org/give (Trillium Fund in Multiple Myeloma Research – 112903576). For any questions, please call Daniel Rosen at (608) 264-5437 or email curecancer@supportuw.org.