

# Report of the OECI Accreditation and Designation Programme

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• To drive quality improvements for patients



- To provide an independent and objective external quality assessment of Centres
- To provide quality standards which are ambitious in terms of excellence
- To provide pan-European standards which can be applied in any European country and beyond





#### What are the advantages of an OECI accreditation?

- It is the only Europe-wide institutional accreditation which covers both cancer care and research
- The Review produces a high quality Improvement Plan (with clear identification of opportunities and a plan to fix them)
- There is a real engagement by all disciplines and all levels of staff
- The gathering of the data and the self assessment by all departments is a benefit in itself (for self monitoring and learning)
- The programme reached 52 European centres in 2021, many more in the pipeline



#### How does the A&D Programme add value for patients?

- There are large sections of the questionnaires around patient satisfaction and involvement in the centre
- The peer review is part of a toolbox to improve outcomes for patients
- It disseminates research and implementation of best practice
- The process spurs collaboration and the development of networks



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## The Accreditation Committee 2020/21

- Jozsef Lovey, Budapest (Chair)(Previously Gunnar Saeter whom, thanks!)
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#### 52 centres now in the programme



Accredited - Cancer Centre - 16 Accredited -Comprehensive Cancer Centre - 24 Newly in the accreditation process - 12

## Centres with a Peer Review in 2021

- Istituto Tumori, Milan, Italy 2<sup>nd</sup>
- CROB Basilicata, Italy 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Kuopio University Hospital, Finland
- Skäne University Hospital, Lund, Sweden
- Sahlgrenska University Hospital, Gothenburg, Sweden
- Vejle Cancer Centre, Denmark 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Beaumont Cancer Centre, Dublin
- Tartu Cancer Centre, Estonia 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Candiolo Cancer Institute, Turin, Italy
- Groningen University Hospital, The Netherlands
- Ljubljana Cancer Centre, Slovenia
- AP-HP CARPEM Paris, France

#### <u>Network</u>

• ATOP network - Toulouse



# The programme is growing across Europe and beyond

- Growth in applications across France to the majority of Cancer Centres
- Substantial growth in the Nordic Countries complete in Finland
- New centres in Spain
- Nearly complete coverage in Italy and Portugal
- Interest from Poland, Denmark, Chile, Colombia, Vietnam, China, Dublin, Latvia
- Our total cohort of centres produce more than 12,400 research papers annually, have annual research budgets of more than €1 billion, and have treated more than 1 million new cancer patients since their accreditations



# Important developments

- Great success with virtual and semi-virtual peer reviews (9)
- More than 65 trained auditors in many different disciplines.
- New standards for Cancer Networks/Infrastructures (piloted in France in March 2021) – shortly to be published
- Participating in iPAAC WP7 and WP10
- Significant input into European Commission and Cancer Mission Board re the planning of Cancer Mission and Beating Cancer Plan.
- Excellent Practices project to disseminate 26 practices across Europe – for Summer 2021
- Steps to improve our Communications
- A&D Standards going through ISQua re-accreditation
- Manual 3.0 is now operational



## Papers published and in preparation

#### **Published**

- 1. 100 European core quality standards for cancer care and research centres. *Oberst et al, <u>Lancet Oncology,</u> August 2020*
- 2. Analysing the attributes of Comprehensive Cancer Centres and Cancer Centres across Europe to identify key hallmarks. *Kehrloesser et al, <u>Molecular Oncology</u>, March 2021*

#### In preparation

- 1. Evaluating Comprehensive Cancer Networks; a new tool to drive up quality featuring OECI's new European Standards
- What is a roadmap to creating successful CCCs out of University Medical Centres? – especially relevant to the EU Cancer Mission objective to create Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures in every Member State.



## EU Cancer Mission and Europe's Beating Cancer Plan

• Recommendation 10 of the Cancer Mission Board:

Set up a Network of Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures within and across all EU member states to improve the quality of <u>research</u> and <u>care</u>.

• EBCP Flagship 5 to set up a EU Network of National CCCs by 2025 – to reach 90% of eligible patients by 2030 – reinforces that purpose.

<u>Joint aims</u>

- Diminish inequalities of access to treatment and access to clinical trials
- Harmonise standards of care and research using accreditation standards



EU countries with almost full coverage of accredited centres:

- Italy
- France
- Germany
- Finland

Portugal

EU countries with no accredited centres yet:

- Slovakia
- Greece
- Croatia
- Bulgaria
- Malta
- Cyprus
- Latvia (applying)
- Poland (applying)
- Slovenia (in progress)
- Luxembourg (in progress)



The emphasis should be on formation and improvement of centres/networks, prior to accreditation

- OECI has expertise to consult <u>at a local infrastructure</u> <u>level</u> to get there....
  - Advice on governance and organisation (centres and networks)
  - Advice on multidisciplinarity (MDTs+researchers)
  - Consultancy around clinical trials organisation and recruitment
  - Consultancy on data, samples, standardisation
  - Tracking outcomes and treatment optimisation
  - Knowledge exchange programmes
  - Sharing excellent practices
- Accreditation is then helpful as part of an improvement process to address Innovation, Implementation, Inequalities.



## Thank you for your attention