

BGCS Research Group (BGCS-RG)

Terms of Reference

Agreed date: 31/12/2024

Review date: TBC

The aim of the BGCS Research Group is to represent (nationally and internationally), initiate, promote and facilitate multidisciplinary research in Gynaecological Oncology in the UK for the benefit of the public.

1. Membership:

The BGCS research group is open to all BGCS members with a research interest

The group will be led by the Chair(s) supported by an advisory committee with membership as follows:

BGCS Specialty Leads (SL)
Gynaecological Oncologist
Medical Oncologist
Clinical Oncologist
Clinical Nurse Specialist
Non-clinical scientists
NHS Genomics England Representative
NIHR Representative
Histopathologist
Radiologist
Trainee representative
PPI

Advisory Committee Members

BGCS members may apply to join the committee and will be appointed to a 3 year tenure (renewable) by the chairperson(s).

Chairpersons

This role can be fulfilled by one or more interested members and will be advertised via BGCS website for a 3 yearly position which maybe renewed at the discretion of the BGCS council. The chairperson(s) will be a member(s) of the BGCS council and be expected to attend twice yearly council meetings and provide a bi-annual report on the activities of the BGCS research group. The chairperson(s) will report to the Officers of the BGCS.

It is hoped that the chairperson(s) will take an active part in the recruitment and assessment of the SSL and in the assessment of the BGCS/Wellbeing of Women research fellowships and post doctoral fellowships.

2. Role of the BGCS Research Group (BGCS-RG)

The BGCS-RG has been formed to promote, co-ordinate and develop research in Gynaecological Oncology. The structure of the research group will be determined by the chairperson(s) but should reflect the diverse range of research areas in Gynaecological Oncology. The structure of the group may consist of several 'workstreams' to concentrate on specific research areas/topics. Workstreams will be chaired by a nominated person who is active.

The BGCS-RG will aim to run twice yearly research meetings which will be advertised through the BGCS and open to all interested parties. The meetings will be funded and facilitated by the BGCS and provide access for UK feedback and participation in research nationally and internationally. The BGCS will aim to fund separate administrative support which could include secretarial and research administration.

The BGCS-RG will maintain a registry of trials in Gynaecological Oncology open in the UK, this will be updated regularly and made available to BGCS members via the BGCS website.

The BGCS-RG may co-ordinate, set up and promote clinical trials. The BGCS will not ordinarily provide legal sponsorship for running clinical trials.

The BGCS-RG will collaborate with GTG-UK and other national/international groups.

