

**CENTRAL NEW JERSEY MULTIPLE MYELOMA SUPPORT GROUP
APRIL 2020 UPDATE**

Living Well With Myeloma Webinar

Thursday, April 16, 2020 4:00 pm ET

Multiple Myeloma Patient Safety and the Coronavirus

<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/multiple-myeloma-patient-safety-coronavirus>

Myeloma Crowd Round Table Webcast on COVID-19

April 18, 2020 12:00- 3:00 pm ET

<https://www.myelomacrowd.org/myeloma-crowd-round-table-webcast-on-covid-19-april-18-10-am-1-pm-mst/>

The program will feature:

**Matthew Fero, MD, FACP, University of New Mexico
Comprehensive Cancer Center, Albuquerque, NM**

Morie Gertz, MD, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

**Sundar Jagannath, MD, The Tisch Cancer, Mount Sinai
Hospital, New York, NY**

A HealthTree Workshop/Study

**A one-hour Question & Answer session with questions
submitted by registered viewers**

MMRF Patient Webinar Series - Smoldering Myeloma
Thursday, April 23, 2020
1:00 PM-2:00 PM (EDT)

https://event.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1295331&tp_key=46ccee949

2020 Miles for Myeloma Will Be a Virtual Race
(Philadelphia Multiple Myeloma Networking Group)
April 25, 2020

https://philadelphia.myeloma.org/news/m4m_01-19-2020

“With a focus on the health and well-being of our participants and the growing concerns over the COVID-19 (coronavirus) outbreak, we are canceling the in-person event. This event is Now Virtual! The safety of our myeloma patients along with their friends and family is our priority. Follow the easy instructions below to register for this new and exciting style of racing.”

AT THIS TIME, OUR MAY SUPPORT GROUP MEETING WILL REMAIN CANCELLED BUT WE ARE PLANNING AN ON-LINE/ CONFERENCE CALL MEETING IN THE NEAR FUTURE. IF YOU HAVE ANY TOPICS YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS EMAIL. AN AGENDA WILL BE PROVIDED PRIOR TO THE CALL.

Enjoy your family, however you may see them, virtually or otherwise, the spring weather, the robins singing, a good

book, or anything else that brings you peace and comfort during this time. If you should have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your Steering Committee or Frank and I.

Take care, be well...

Below are “COVID-19 and MM” informational links as well as general MM links if you are interested

**CENTRAL NEW JERSEY MULTIPLE MYELOMA SUPPORT GROUP
APRIL 2020 COVID-19 LINKS**

What Cancer Patients Should Know about COVID-19

<https://weillcornell.org/news/what-cancer-patients-should-know-about-covid-19>

NYC Front Lines Doctor Explains How Easy It Is To Not Get Infected And Stop The Spread Of Covid-19

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WxyH1rkuLaw&feature=youtu.be>

COVID-19 Update for Support Group Leaders

<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/covid-19-update-support-group-leaders>

International Myeloma Foundation

www.myeloma.org

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Each week Dr. Durie will up-date this section with new news and recommendations

- The Latest COVID-19 Data, New Guidance on Masks, and Springtime Inspiration: This Week's Myeloma Patient Update
- [COVID-19: Collaboration and Resilience Are Paying Off](#)
- Myeloma Patients' Top 10 Questions About COVID-19
- Resilience and Hope in Challenging Times, and More FAQs
- Coronavirus Crisis Point in America: FAQ for Myeloma Patients

News and Events

- April 2, 2020 -- Federal Government Response to COVID-19
- The International Myeloma Foundation Responds to COVID-19 (coronavirus) Outbreak

Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation

<https://themmrf.org/>

- Coronavirus (COVID-19) & Multiple Myeloma

(Plus, section on frequently asked questions and answers)

<https://themmrf.org/2020/03/multiple-myeloma-and-the-coronavirus/>

Myeloma Crowd

<https://www.myelomacrowd.org/>

- Myeloma Coach: “Coping with COVID-19 - Simple Skills to Calm

Your Mind” with Emotional Coach Georgia Anderson

April 9, 2020 12:00pm ET

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- A Myeloma Coach's Perspective: Loss of Control and What We Can Do About It
- COVID-19 - A Patient Call for Earlier FDA Approvals and the Perfect Time for Healthcare Innovation
- Myeloma Specialists' New Normal with COVID-19
- American Health & Wellness: Can We Actually Fight A Pandemic?
- Genentech Tests Tocilizumab (Used for Cytokine Release Syndrome in Myeloma CAR T Therapy) in Phase III Trial for Severe COVID-19

Myeloma Crowd Radio

<https://www.blogtalkradio.com/myelomacrowdradio>

- Myeloma Crowd Radio: Joshua Richter, MD, Mount Sinai (replay)

Cure Today

<https://www.curetoday.com/articles>

- Cancer Survivors, Caregivers: Stop the Spread of the Coronavirus
- For Those with Predispositions to Cancer, COVID-19 Adds 'A Second Helping of Stress'
- Why People with Cancer are My Guides During a Global Pandemic

OncLive/OncLive Videos

<https://www.onclive.com/specialty/covid-19>

- Oncologists Share How COVID-19 is Impacting Patients With Cancer

Myeloma Research News

<https://myelomaresearchnews.com/information-about-covid-19-for-myeloma-patients/>

- Information About COVID-19 for Myeloma Patients

Myeloma Hub

<https://multiplemyelomahub.com/>

- Recommendations for the management of patients with multiple myeloma in the United States during the COVID-19 pandemic

- COVID-19 and EBMT recommendations for patients with hematological malignancies
- The impact of COVID-19 on the management of patients with multiple myeloma

ASH

<https://hematology.org/>

- COVID-19 and Multiple Myeloma: Frequently Asked Questions
- COVID-19 Resources

Ash Clinical News

<https://www.ashclinicalnews.org/?s=covid+19>

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International Myeloma Foundation

<https://www.myeloma.org/>

- Co-pay Assistance Programs Update (4/2/2020)

Ask Dr. Durie

- How does mass spectrometry compare to traditional myeloma-protein testing methods?
- Is it safe for myeloma patients in remission to stop ongoing maintenance therapy?

- What does the FDA approval of Sarclisa® (isatuximab) mean for myeloma patients?
- What is isatuximab? And how does it compare with daratumumab?

Myeloma Crowd

<https://www.myelomacrowd.org/>

- FDA Asked to Approve Use of Multiple Myeloma BMS/ bluebird bio CAR T-cell Therapy
- A New and Different Approach to Treat Triple Refractory Multiple Myeloma
- The Importance of Exercise and How it Can Relieve Stress
- Obesity and MGUS Progression
- And more

Myeloma Crowd Radio

<https://www.blogtalkradio.com/myelomacrowdradio>

- Myeloma Crowd Radio: Jennifer Saullo, MD, PharmD, Duke University
 - “Infection is a leading cause of death for multiple myeloma patients and protection against infection is key, especially during stem cell transplant...”

Myeloma Beacon

<https://myelomabeacon.org/>

- Press Releases

- Kite Licenses Antibodies And Establishes Collaboration With Teneobio In Multiple Myeloma (Kite and Teneobio will Collaborate on Next-Generation Dual-Targeting CAR T Therapies in Multiple Myeloma Utilizing UniAb® Antibodies)
- Bristol Myers Squibb And Bluebird Bio Announce Submission Of Biologics License Application (BLA) For Anti-BCMA CAR T-Cell Therapy Idecabtagene Vicleucel (Ide-Cel, bb2121) To FDA

Cure

<https://www.curetoday.com/tumor/myeloma>

- What You Need to Know About the FDA's Approval of Sarclisa for Multiple Myeloma (Isatuximab)

OncLive/OncLive Videos

<https://www.onclive.com/specialty/myeloma>

- Multiple Myeloma Articles
 - Isatuximab Affords the R/R Multiple Myeloma Setting a Tolerable New Alternative
 - FDA Approval Sought for Idecabtagene Vicleucel in Multiple Myeloma
- Multiple Myeloma Videos
 - Dr. Friedman on the Mechanism of Action of Selinexor in Multiple Myeloma

- MGUS Diagnostic Criteria
- The Clinical Significance of MGUS
- Dr. Braunstein on Transplant Eligibility in Multiple Myeloma
- Dr. Kumar on Ongoing Research in Multiple Myeloma
- And more

Myeloma Research News

<https://myelomaresearchnews.com/>

- Genetic Test May Help Identify Ultra High-risk Multiple Myeloma

Myeloma Hub

<https://multiplemyelomahub.com/>

- Results from a phase I study of VLX1570 for patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma
- Isatuximab combination therapy receives positive opinion from EMA CHMP for the treatment of relapsed and refractory multiple myeloma

HeathTree University Myeloma- YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC27i8v856WBGy-4ONPJS0MQ>

- What is HRSMM? What are the guidelines?

- How is SMM monitored? Should I see a specialist?
- Is there a clear definition for standard-risk smoldering myeloma

Ash

<https://www.hematology.org/>

Ash Clinical News

<https://www.ashclinicalnews.org/?s=myeloma>

Myeloma Central

<https://www.myelomacentral.com/>

Cancer.com

<https://www.cancer.com/>

HealthTree University

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pbB9mfKbuG0>

- COVID-19 FAQ for Cancer Patients, with Infectious Disease Expert Dr. Shahid

