

Research Highlight!

From Meols to Melbourne - an Australian journey to improve support for people with CUP

Alison Taylor, CUP Nurse Consultant at The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre, recently travelled to Australia for her Churchill Fellowship to improve psychological support for CUP patients. She visited the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Melbourne, leaders in CUP research and the SUPER ED trial, and engaged with the CUP consumer group in Sydney, Brisbane, and Darwin. Key takeaways for the UK include strengthening links with psychologists, promoting early palliative care referrals, enhancing patient access to CUP information, and offering tools to manage sleep issues and anxiety. This exchange aims to improve CUP care and empower patients.



Super ED Team and Alison Taylor (middle)



Save the date

4th July 2025 – National CUP Conference “Cancer of Unknown Primary: Redefining patient care through research and collaboration”

Location: Liverpool, The Spine.

Please register your interest in attending or contributing

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6X7ZC3M>

16th Oct 2025 - International CUP Meeting
ESMO, Berlin. If you are interested in attending or contributing, www.worldcupalliance.org would love to hear about your projects or any topics you would like to see addressed.

Tea Break [Getting To Know You]



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Tanya Knott

Founder and Director of The Sarah Jennifer Knott Foundation and Co-founder of the World CUP Alliance.

Q: What are your research interests?

A: All aspects of cancer of unknown primary, especially spatial transcriptomics.

Q: What is the focus of the Sarah Jennifer Knott Foundation?

A: It is a registered charity focused on awareness, research, and education into Cancer of Unknown Primary. More information about the Foundation can be found on www.sjkfoundation.org

Q: Is there something that you want to promote?

A: The Sarah Jennifer Knott Foundation recently received the E-nnova Health Award in Spain in the Big Data and AI category for the **SPACE CUP project with Dr Manel Esteller**. The research led by Dr Esteller has made it possible to build a molecular signature predicting the origin of these enigmatic metastases with the idea that characterising the type of tumour of CUP patients will improve their treatment, quality of life and survival.

CUP CLUB: Patient and Carer Event 10th Jan 2025

A new event is bringing together North-West patients to share their perspectives on a study evaluating an innovative blood test to predict cancer origin, potentially improving outcomes for CUP patients. Participating sites include The Christie, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals and The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre.

For more information or future PPIE events, contact the-christie.cup-research@nhs.net

World CUP Alliance

The WCA is seeking to capture patients' stories on video to highlight the experiences of those affected by CUP.

If you know a patient or carer who would be willing to share their journey, please encourage them to participate and share their experiences. Together, we can build a global platform to improve awareness and care for CUP.

Contact: Warnyta Minnaard at info@worldcupawareness.org.

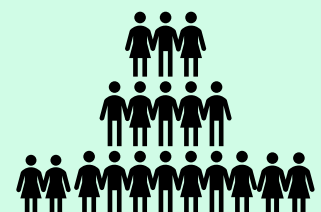
Updates on CUP Clinical Trials

EGG-CUP: Enabling Genomic Testing in Cancer of Unknown Primary

We're thrilled to welcome Dr Eliyaz Ahmed and the team from The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre, Dr Pavel Bezecky and the team from Blackpool Teaching Hospitals, and Dr Chan Ton and the team from University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay to the study.

To date, 19/100 participants have already been enrolled, providing them access to blood-based genomic testing. This testing aims to help identify personalized treatments or clinical trials that target their specific cancer.

[Study Details](#) | [Enabling Genomic Testing in Cancer of Unknown Primary](#) | [ClinicalTrials.gov](#)



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