



Proximal Femur Reconstruction or Internal Fixation for Metastases

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Welcome to the **tenth edition** of the *PERFORM Randomized Controlled Trial Newsletter*!

STUDY ENROLMENT UPDATE

We are pleased to report that as of August 4th, 2026, **40** patients have been successfully enrolled in the PERFORM trial!

We are thrilled to welcome two newly activated sites: **Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center** in Boston, Massachusetts, led by **Dr. Megan Anderson** and the **University of Maryland Medical Center** in Baltimore, Maryland, led by **Dr. Vincent Ng**. Welcome to the PERFORM trial!

Congratulations to the **University of Maryland** team on enrolling their **first PERFORM patient** in the same month as site activation. We warmly welcome both teams to the PERFORM trial and look forward to their contributions!

Sites Activated

Site	Investigator	Country	City	Months Since Activation	Enrolment Since Last Newsletter	Total Enrolment
Oregon Health and Science University Hospital	Kenneth Gundle	USA	Portland, Oregon	8	3	17
Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre	Ricardo Becker	Brazil	Porto Alegre	13	1	9
Parkview Packnett Family Cancer Institute	Christopher Johnson	USA	Fort Wayne, Indiana	11	0	9
Medical University Graz	Andreas Leithner	Austria	Graz	3	0	2
University of Cincinnati Medical Center	Samir Sabharwal	USA	Cincinnati, Ohio	5	0	2
University of Maryland Medical Center	Vincent Ng	USA	Baltimore, Maryland	0	1	1
Foothills Medical Centre	Joseph Kendal	Canada	Calgary, Alberta	8	0	0
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	Megan Anderson	USA	Boston, Massachusetts	0	0	0
McGill University Medical Centre	Anthony Bozzo	Canada	Montreal, Quebec	3	0	0
Mount Sinai Hospital	Aaron Gazendam	Canada	Toronto, Ontario	1	0	0
University of Colorado Hospital	Steven Thorpe	USA	Denver, Colorado	6	0	0
Total					5	40

SITE START-UP UPDATE

We currently have **15** additional sites in the **start-up** phase. The site start-up process includes:

- ✓ Local research ethics/ institutional approval
- ✓ Finalized Clinical Site Contract Agreements
- ✓ Completion of Site Initiation Training

Sites in Start-up

Site	Investigator	Country	City
AOU Città della Salute e della Scienza CTO	Michele Boffano	Italy	Torino
Cleveland Clinic	Lukas Nystrom	USA	Cleveland, Ohio
Cliniques Universitaires Saint-Luc	Thomas Schubert	Belgium	Brussels
Ganga Medical Centre & Hospitals Pvt. Ltd	Raja Bhaskara	India	Tamil Nadu
Hospital Vall d'Hebron	Roberto Vélez Villa	Spain	Barcelona
Institut Jules Bordet	Bilal Kapanci	Belgium	Brussels
IRCCS AOU di Bologna	Andrea Sambri	Italy	Bologna
Istanbul University Faculty of Medicine Hospital	Yavuz Selim Ozcan	Turkey	Istanbul
Johns Hopkins Hospital	Albert Aboulafia	USA	Baltimore, Maryland
Massachusetts General Hospital	Santiago Lozano-Calderon	USA	Boston, Massachusetts
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center	Jonathan Forsberg	USA	New York City, New York
Moffitt Cancer Center	Alexander Lazarides	USA	Tampa, Florida
Radboud Medical Centre	Edwin Dierselhuys	Netherlands	Nijmegen, Gelderland
University of Chicago Medicine	Tessa Balach	USA	Chicago, Illinois
University of Rochester Medical Center	Susan McDowell	USA	Rochester, New York

PERFORM TRIAL AWARDED CIHR SPRING PROJECT GRANT FUNDING

We are pleased to announce that the PERFORM trial has been awarded **\$1,473,312 CAD over four years** through the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Spring Project Grant competition, with funding **beginning October 1, 2026**. This award will support the trial's transition into its next phase and continued expansion across participating centres. We extend our sincere thanks to the investigators and collaborators who contributed to and supported the successful application. This achievement reflects the strength of the PERFORM team and its shared commitment to advancing evidence-based care for patients with metastatic bone disease.

To date, 39 patients have been enrolled toward the overall target of 334 participants. Active sites will receive **contract and ethics amendments** reflecting the new funding and extended study timeline. Continued site engagement and **active enrollment will be essential**, and investigators are encouraged to consider their patient volume, referral patterns, ability to maintain clinical equipoise, and readiness to approach eligible patients for consent.



SUCCESSFUL JONATHAN BROWN FOUNDATION 5K RUN

The **Jonathan Brown Foundation (JBF)** hosted **Jonny's Gold Ribbon 5km Run/Walk** in Hamilton, Ontario, on July 26 to raise awareness of sarcoma and support sarcoma research in Canada. More than 200 community members, supporters, volunteers, families, and members of the sarcoma research community came together to honour Jonathan Brown and help advance research and care for people affected by sarcoma. The event was a great success, **raising more than \$340,000** for sarcoma research in Canada while celebrating the strength and resilience of patients, survivors, and their loved ones. We extend our sincere gratitude to the JBF, event organizers, participants, volunteers, donors, and supporters whose generosity made this meaningful event possible.



REMINDER: QUARTERLY RESEARCH PERSONNEL MEETING NEXT MONTH

Research personnel from our activated sites are warmly reminded that our next check in meeting is taking place **next month on Thursday, September 3rd at 9:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. EST** via Zoom. These meetings are held on a quarterly basis and provide an opportunity to connect with the Methods Centre to discuss trial administration, coordination activities, and any site-specific questions or concerns. **We encourage research site leads to please add this to your calendar if you have not yet already done so** and we look forward to meeting with you!

PERFORM RESOURCES

WEBSITE

The PERFORM trial website is now live! Please visit: www.performtrial.com for information regarding the trial, including regular updates and relevant documents.

BECOME A PARTICIPATING SITE!

If you are interested in participating in the PERFORM Trial and have not yet applied, please complete the Physician Trial Application here: performtrial.com/investigator-application

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