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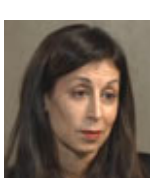
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### EJC News Focus - Now Live!



New agents used to treat castration-resistant prostate cancer are having a dramatic impact on patients' prognosis. A 35% improvement in overall survival was seen with abiraterone acetate; 30% with cabazitaxel. Cora Sternberg, *EJC*'s genitourinary editor discusses these and other exciting – and controversial – advances – in this month's *EJC* News Focus.

[Watch EJC News Focus now.](#)

*EJC* News Focus, launched in 2011, is a monthly podcast featuring video and audio interviews with top researchers and opinion leaders in oncology. Previous editions of *EJC* News Focus, including the March edition featuring an interview with [Eric Van Cutsem](#) on the disappointing findings of recent trials of bevacizumab in colon cancer, are available for our readers to [watch](#).



### Launch of Oncovideos



ECCO is proud to announce the launch of Oncovideos - Developing Vocational Skills in Oncology through e-Learning. The objective of the project is to design and develop an innovative educational tool to assist in the delivery of continuing medical education to health professionals and young doctors in Europe who need to acquire particular skills and competencies in their efforts to become specialists in one of the disciplines of oncology.

Oncovideos is a series of 24 videos which will be accessible through ECCO's website ([www.ecco-org.eu](http://www.ecco-org.eu)). Each video will be accredited by the Accreditation Council of Oncology in Europe to enable users to collect CME credit points and encourage continued development in oncology specialisation.

Oncovideos is aimed at young oncologists in Europe who want to learn the standard practical procedures related to the various oncology disciplines. "Oncovideos is a unique cross discipline educational resource for the young oncologists in Europe who often lack practice-oriented training" says Dr Dirk Schrijvers, ECCO Education Chair.

This Oncovideos project has been funded with support from the European Commission and will be freely available to all oncology healthcare professionals upon registration.



Lifelong Learning Programme



Please take a few minutes to complete our online survey.



We are conducting this survey in an ongoing effort to ensure that *European Journal of Cancer*, the official journal of EORTC, ECCO, EACR and EUSOMA is meeting the needs of its readers globally.

Your views are important to us. The survey has been designed to be completed quickly and should take between 5-10 minutes to complete. All responses will be kept confidential and anonymous, and will not be reported individually. There will be no sales call as a result of this survey.

Thank you for taking the time to participate. Please respond by **May 27, 2011**.

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### Pick of the Papers

The *EJC*'s Editor-in-Chief, Lex Eggermont, has picked five papers that were published in the *EJC* in the first quarter of 2011. All five papers are available for our Newsletter readers to download in full.

#### [The requirements of a specialist Prostate Cancer Unit: A discussion paper from the European School of Oncology](#) Original Research Article

Pages 1-7

Riccardo Valdagni, Peter Albers, Chris Bangma, Lawrence Drudge-Coates, Tiziana Magnani, Clare Moynihan, Chris Parker, Kathy Redmond, Cora N. Sternberg, Louis Denis, Alberto Costa

#### [Safety of pregnancy following breast cancer diagnosis: A meta-analysis of 14 studies](#) Original Research Article

Pages 74-83

Hatem A. Azim Jr., Luigi Santoro, Nicholas Pavlidis, Shari Gelber, Niels Kroman, Hamdy Azim, Fedro A. Peccatori

#### [Sorafenib tosylate and paclitaxel induce anti-angiogenic, anti-tumour and anti-resorptive effects in experimental breast cancer bone metastases](#) Original Research Article

Pages 277-286

Maximilian Merz, Dorde Komljenovic, Stefan Zwick, Wolfhard Semmler, Tobias Bäuerle

#### [Would the effect of HPV vaccination on non-cervical HPV-positive cancers make the difference for its cost-effectiveness?](#) Original Research Article

Pages 428-435

Inge M.C.M. de Kok, J. Dik F. Habbema, Joost van Rosmalen, Marjolein van Ballegooijen

#### [Zoledronic acid preserves bone mineral density in premenopausal women who develop ovarian failure due to adjuvant chemotherapy: Final results from CALGB trial 79809](#) Original Research Article

Pages 683-689

C.L. Shapiro, S. Halabi, V. Hars, L. Archer, D. Weckstein, J. Kirshner, W. Sikov, E. Winer, H.J. Burstein, C. Hudis, C. Isaacs, R. Schilsky, E. Paskett

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