

# ACORD

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Australia & Asia Pacific  
Clinical Oncology Research  
Development Workshop



The workshop is a week-long intensive training program focused on the essentials of clinical trials design for cancer researchers in all oncology subspecialties from Australia and the Asia Pacific region. Up to 60 participants through a competitive application process are selected to join in the Workshop.

## CAN I APPLY?

ACORD is open to all candidates with training in medical, radiation, surgical, psycho oncology, palliative care, pharmacology, haematology, nursing and allied health disciplines.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

You can apply online at <http://www.acordworkshop.org.au> from Monday 7 November 2011 through to Monday 27 February 2012. Before you apply you will need to prepare a clinical trials protocol that will be developed at the Workshop. You will also need letters of support from referee/employers, your curriculum vitae, and a statement of intent.

## CAN I APPLY FOR A FELLOWSHIP?

Yes, fellowships covering travel expenses, accommodation and meals are available to successful applicants based on financial hardship. Please note Fellowships do not cover the activity fee.

For more information please visit our website <http://www.acordworkshop.org.au>

You can also contact Cristina Dietmann at [projects@moga.org.au](mailto:projects@moga.org.au) or on 02 9256 9653



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# Turning good ideas into successful studies

Dear Colleagues,

I have great pleasure inviting junior clinicians from the range of oncologic disciplines (including medical, radiation, surgical and psycho-oncology, palliative care, imaging, nursing, and allied health) to start their planning for the ACORD 2012 Protocol Development Workshop. The workshop is designed to help clinicians develop their clinical research knowledge, skills and expertise. Participants are selected on a competitive basis according to an application submitted no later than February 2012. A key part of the application is a brief concept outline for a clinical research project to be developed into a protocol during the workshop.

The 4 previous ACORD Workshops were outstanding successes and continuing evaluation demonstrates that participants benefit tremendously from the program, both over the course of the week, and in their subsequent careers. The ACORD faculty includes leading international experts in clinical research, study design, biostatistics and oncology. The Workshop provides extraordinary opportunities to learn from, work with, and develop ongoing links with, leading cancer researchers from North America, Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand.

I am very much looking forward to the 5th ACORD Workshop, and am confident that it will be just as successful and enjoyable as our previous 4. I encourage all oncology clinicians to start thinking, talking, planning, and writing applications to help promote our next generation of cancer clinical researchers!



Best wishes,  
Martin

A/Prof Martin Stockler  
ACORD Convenor



*The ACORD Workshop was run by experienced researchers and past participants, I found it productive, educational and inspirational.*

Radiation Oncologist, Australia,



*It was great. The faculty were really helpful. The topics covered in the lectures were relevant to clinical research and improved my understanding of endpoints and how to keep a trial simple.*

Medical Oncologist, India

*This was one of the best workshops I have attended. The faculty were accessible and helpful.*

Oncology Surgeon, Singapore