Scientific Working Committees

Scientific Working Committees shape the clinical outcomes research that leads to publications for the CIBMTR. Through 15 focused committees, volunteer members can propose, design, and implement studies. Working Committee membership is open to anyone willing to take an active role in developing and completing studies that involve CIBMTR data or resources. More than 2,300 researchers currently participate. Learn more about the Working Committees, and get involved:

Join a Working Committee

Learn more about each of the committees by clicking on the links below. To join a Working Committee, email contactus@cibmtr.org or contact the Working Committee leadership listed on the webpage.

- Acute Leukemia
- Autoimmune Diseases and Cellular Therapies
- Chronic Leukemia
- Donor Health and Safety
- Graft Sources and Manipulation
- Graft-versus-Host Disease
- Health Services and International Studies
- Immunobiology
- Infection and Immune Reconstitution
- Late Effects and Quality of Life
- Lymphoma
- Pediatric Cancer
- Plasma Cell Disorders and Adult Solid Tumors
- Primary Immune Deficiencies, Inborn Errors of Metabolism, and Other Non-Malignant Marrow Disorders
- Regimen-Related Toxicity and Supportive Care

Attend a Working Committee Meeting at the BMT Tandem Meetings

Anyone may attend a committee's meeting at the annual BMT Tandem Meetings. At the meeting, attendees will learn more about the committee, its recent publications and current studies, and will have the opportunity to learn about and provide feedback on new study proposals.

- View the 2016 Working Committee Meetings Schedule
- Download Meeting Materials

Participate in a Writing Committee

When a draft protocol is approved by the Working Committee leadership and Coordinating Center, all Working Committee members on record are invited to participate in the study Writing Committee. To assure co-authorship status, members of the Writing Committee must make timely and substantive contributions to study design, execution, data analysis, interpretation of results, and preparation of the manuscript for publication. Review Chapter 3 of the CIBMTR Manual of Operations for detailed authorship guidelines.

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How to Get Involved

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Propose a Study

Anyone willing to follow the Study Development and Management Process is eligible to propose a study to the Working Committees. If you are interested in doing so, learn How to Propose a Study, and review the Study Proposal Outline. Successful proposals are:

- **Feasible**. They utilize data available in the CIBMTR Research Database.
  - Review the Data Collection Forms to ensure the data you wish to study are available for the timeframe you wish to study.
- **Unique**. They fill a gap not addressed by current studies or publications.
  - Review the CIBMTR Publication List and the Working Committee Study Lists of planned, in-progress, and recently published studies.
- **Important**. They impact the field by improving transplant procedures or results.

Access Statistical Support

PhD and MS statisticians with the Working Committees provide investigators with:

- Assistance with statistical design on studies.
- Advice and statistical consultation for study proposals and protocols.
- Oversight of ongoing studies using the CIBMTR Research Database.

PhD statisticians provide one-on-one consulting on a drop-in basis during the BMT Tandem Meetings. View the 2016 Statistical Consulting schedule. Throughout the year, PhD statisticians offer a Biostatistics Lecture Series and a Statistical Seminar Series in Milwaukee. If you are unable to attend in person, lecture materials are available on the series webpage.

Implement a Study

When a study is approved by the Working Committee Leadership, the Principal Investigator (PI) signs a Letter of Commitment. Studies for which the CIBMTR provides both data and statistical expertise follow the Study Development and Management Process. Datasets may be available to investigators who have their own statistical resources. If utilizing a CIBMTR dataset, the PI signs an additional Letter of Commitment for the Use of CIBMTR Datasets.

The CIBMTR Manual of Operations Appendix B Guidelines for CIBMTR Study PIs describes all of the PI's responsibilities throughout the life of the study and shares helpful hints and tips.

Studies using Samples from the CIBMTR Research Repository follow additional Guidelines. Studies linking CIBMTR data to external databases or data sources follow the guidelines described in Appendix K of the CIBMTR Manual of Operations and must gain approval (Appendix L).