



Surgeon Dr Steve Leibman, Physicist Prof Barry & Mrs Cynthia Allen with Prof Smith at the cocktail party.

Many commented how much they enjoyed the event months afterwards.

New link with NSW Pancreatic Cancer Network

Our surgeons are part of the Strategic Research Partnership Program grant to improve management of pancreatic cancer in NSW. The Cancer Council of NSW is providing \$1.25M over five years for this project. Our inclusion as one of the principal investigators is a direct result of CanSur's work in initiating the studies outlined and is a good example of CanSur's aims: to facilitate new studies in major research projects.

A key feature of this complex and broad ranging Program is to set up a database of the details of all patients with pancreatic cancer in NSW, of course with patients' consent. We will then be able to relate scientific measurements with good data about patients' outcomes. Records will be kept so that individual patients cannot be recognized. We will also increase the size of the tissue bank which will speed our ability to conduct meaningful studies and make our group equivalent to large centres overseas and will improve links with international groups.

CanSur's work is making an important contribution towards the better management of patients with this distressing disorder.

Phase 1 trial of targeted alpha therapy in pancreatic cancer patients

A most exciting project for 2006 is the start of a trial of a new therapy for treatment of pancreatic cancer. The value of this treatment was recently announced for patients with melanoma. Our trial will be the first in the world directed specifically at pancreatic cancer. The protocol is currently being reviewed by the Ethics Committee. Our preliminary work indicates that this will be a powerful new treatment. It will be wonderful if we can improve patient outcomes with this new treatment.

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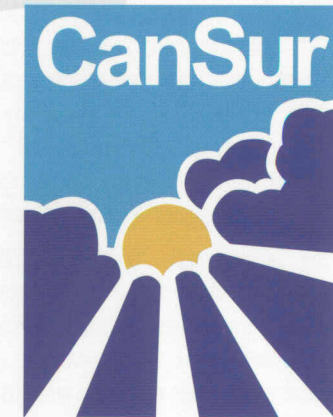


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