

Guidelines and Selection Criteria

1 Guidelines for investigators for clinical study submission

- Submit completed new concepts form that addresses the following to ASSG Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC)
- SAC and executive office will assist by setting up a small working group to
 - help develop concept
 - provide biostatistical support
 - provide advice for incorporating potential molecular/biological and quality of life substudies
 - guide budget process
 - identify potential funding sources

2 Selection criteria that SAC will use to select clinical studies to support include

- Scientifically valid and important question
- Quality of trial design: trial design likely to answer question
- Novelty of study
- Potential impact on population or subpopulations of sarcoma patients
- Incorporation of novel molecular/biological endpoints and collection of tissue for translational studies
- Incorporation of quality of life endpoints
- Involvement of multiple sites
- Potential clinical effectiveness
- Ethically sound
- Likelihood of completing trial
 - sufficient patient numbers and resources (staff/track record, facilities: e.g. data management, expertise) available for trial
 - likely to receive sufficient funding
- Adequate collaborative support of investigators
- Activity potentially valuable to the ASSG's track record
- Impact on other ASSG or national/international trials
- Investigator-initiated non-industry sponsored trials will be marked higher than industry sponsored.