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MORE TIME, MORE OPTIONS

CLINICAL TRIALS NEWSLETTER

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Each year at the American Society of Clinical Oncology Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium (ASCO GI), researchers, clinicians, and patient advocates share new findings in gastrointestinal cancers and what they could mean for people facing these diseases. We're unpacking the insights found at ASCO GI 2026, from new clinical trials to more personalized approaches and care.

***We want to hear from you!** What do you want to see in our
Clinical Trials Newsletter?*

LET US KNOW!

FEATURED STORY

What to Ask Your Care Team Before Joining a Clinical Trial



Many of the advances discussed at ASCO GI were made possible by patients who explored clinical trials earlier in their care. Still, for many people, the idea of a clinical trial can feel overwhelming. However, asking the right questions can help you feel more informed and in control.

Fight CRC offers trusted clinical trial education and resources to help patients explore options and advocate for themselves at every stage of care.

Research Advocate and stage IV survivor, Bill Thach shares how clinical trials have played a critical role in his colorectal cancer journey. “Having participated in four clinical trials across nine different lines of treatment, I can tell you this,” Bill says, “Trials don’t compromise your care, they enhance it.”

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CLINICAL TRIAL ROUNDUP

This month's [featured trials](#) highlight studies from ASCO GI 2026, showing how research is becoming more personalized and inclusive. These studies reinforce an important message: clinical trials can offer meaningful options across stages, biomarkers, and lines of treatment, and they may be worth discussing earlier than many patients realize.

READ THE FULL LIST OF FEBRUARY CLINICAL TRIALS

Disclaimer: Inclusion in this list does not imply endorsement or a guaranteed benefit. Always consult your healthcare provider to determine whether a clinical trial is appropriate for you.



RATS HIGHLIGHT

"I'm alive because of a clinical trial. They are how we change the future of cancer treatment and help the next generation not have to deal with all we have had to."

J.J. SINGLETON
STAGE II SURVIVOR
FIGHT CRC RESEARCH ADVOCATE

SPOTLIGHT

Research, Advocacy, and Community at ASCO GI



Fight CRC hosted a Research Breakfast at ASCO GI, bringing together members of our Early-Onset Colorectal Cancer (EOCRC) Global Collaborative, Medical Advisory Board, research advocates, industry partners, emerging investigators, and collaborators across the research community.

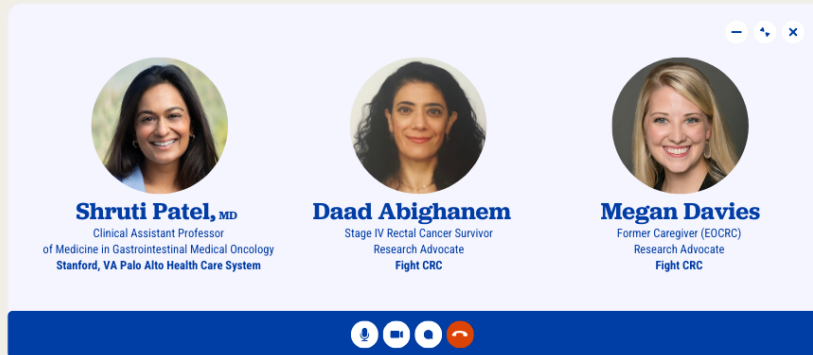
These discussions focused on shared research priorities, opportunities for collaboration, and the essential role patients and advocates play in shaping clinical trials. Many of these insights reflect priorities outlined in [Fight CRC's Early-Onset Colorectal Cancer Think Tank Report](#) and [Path to a Cure](#), which capture patient-informed recommendations for progress in research and care.

Caregiver and Survivor Reflections: At ASCO GI, Fight CRC Research Advocates Megan Davies and Daad Abighanem brought lived experience to shaping cancer care. [In this blog](#), Megan and Daad share their reflections on navigating early-onset cancer as a caregiver, survivorship gaps, isolation, and the impact of research on real lives.

READ WHY PATIENT AND CAREGIVER VOICES MATTER

BEHIND THE RESEARCH

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS FROM ASCO GI 2026



ONLINE WEBINAR

FEB 18 @ 5-6PM EST

In this session, perspectives from a Medical Expert, Survivor, and former Caregiver, will be shared in discussing key research highlights from the 2026 American Society of Clinical Oncology Gastrointestinal (ASCO GI) Cancers Symposium.

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Research Highlights from ASCO GI 2026: Today, February 18, Fight CRC is hosting its first Clinical Trials Webinar of the year, featuring Dr. Shruti Patel from Stanford University and RATS advocates Daad Abighanem and Megan Davies. [This webinar will discuss ASCO GI Highlights](#) and what they mean for patients. Register today to hear the latest insights from this event!

REGISTER NOW: RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS FROM ASCO GI 2026

Colorectal Cancer Facts, Screening, and What's New: [Register for our](#)

**COLORECTAL CANCER
FACTS, SCREENING, AND WHAT'S NEW**

ONLINE WEBINAR **MARCH 25 AT 1PM EST**

Join gastroenterologist Swati Patel, MD, CRC survivor Jessica Acosta, and Fight CRC as we talk all things colorectal cancer. From the latest stats and facts to screening guidelines and new screening methods, we'll discuss it all!

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[webinar on Wednesday, March 25](#), featuring gastroenterologist Dr. Swati Patel and Fight CRC Ambassador, Jessica Acosta.

We'll discuss key facts about colorectal cancer, current screening guidelines, and what's new in screening and early detection. [REGISTER HERE!](#)

ACTION AND AWARENESS

ADD YOUR VOICE AND REGISTER TODAY

In March, our Fight CRC community, including RATS advocates, will take their stories to Capitol Hill for [Call-on Congress](#), urging our lawmakers to invest in colorectal cancer research and clinical trials. Every voice helps create more time and more options. Be a part of this movement on March 1-3, and [register today!](#)

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