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ABOUT CRIS AND ITS PROGRAMMES

The Consortium for Clinical Research and Innovation, Singapore (CRIS)

The Consortium for Clinical Research and Innovation, Singapore (CRIS) was established in 2020 with the goal of strengthening synergies and developing strategies for national-level clinical research and translation programmes that are under the stewardship of the Ministry of Health. It is a subsidiary of the Ministry of Health Holdings (MOHH).

CRIS brings together five key national-level R&D initiatives and clinical services, and facilitate synergistic collaborations among them. These initiatives include:

1. **Singapore Clinical Research Institute (SCRI)**
2. **National Health Innovation Centre, Singapore (NHIC)**
3. **Advanced Cell Therapy and Research Institute, Singapore (ACTRIS)**
4. **Precision Health Research, Singapore (PRECISE)**
5. **Singapore Translational Cancer Consortium (STCC)**

CRIS aims to make a positive difference to Singapore patients and researchers by ensuring that these clinical research platforms and programmes are at the cutting edge of capability development and innovation. This will be achieved through facilitated collaborations and enduring partnerships with research and biomedical entities and communities across the public sector and industry across Singapore.

For more information, visit <https://www.cris.sg>

Singapore Clinical Research Institute (SCRI)

Established in 2008, the Singapore Clinical Research Institute (SCRI) is the national coordinating body for clinical trials with a vision to establish Singapore as a regional thought leader in clinical research.

This is accomplished through the deployment of innovative technologies and processes, and strategic coordination of ecosystem capabilities and infrastructure to achieve synergies that will enhance the clinical research ecosystem aimed towards a healthier community and better patient outcomes.

SCRI's key pillars include:

1. Clinical Research Operations
2. Clinical Trials Infrastructure Coordination
3. Clinical Research Networks
4. Academic Research Partnerships
5. SCRI Academy

SCRI supports clinical trials and research in the domains of haematology and oncology, infectious diseases, ophthalmology, neuroscience, and cardiovascular.

For more information, please visit <https://www.scri.edu.sg>

National Health Innovation Centre, Singapore (NHIC)

The National Health Innovation Centre, Singapore (NHIC) aims to provide the publicly funded clinical research sector of Singapore with translational funding and strategic guidance.

Established in 2014, NHIC impacts the clinical landscape by accelerating the development of innovative technologies and services to improve healthcare delivery and patient care. NHIC funding and guidance supports the translation of an innovation by validating, de-risking or developing it towards a market-ready product.

By promoting the collaboration of researchers, clinicians and industry, NHIC strives to better position Singapore to tackle the healthcare challenges of tomorrow.

For more information, please visit <https://www.nhic.sg>

Advanced Cell Therapy and Research Institute, Singapore (ACTRIS)

The Advanced Cell Therapy and Research Institute, Singapore (ACTRIS) was established in 2020 to meet the increasing clinical demand of using cellular therapeutics to treat various life-threatening diseases.

ACTRIS's vision is to be the national and regional centre of excellence for facilitating discovery, process development and manufacturing of cellular-based therapeutics across the broad spectrum of immunotherapy and regenerative medicine, encompassing both investigational and approval products for the local market.

ACTRIS aims to achieve accreditation from national and international regulators to ensure quality compliance of resource-efficient cellular therapy manufacturing. Our common goal is to promote and foster the entire value chain of the cellular therapy ecosystem through enabling translational research and development, manufacturing, clinical service provision and commercialisation by serving the healthcare, academic and industrial sectors.

ACTRIS will also provide value-added services such as workforce training, regulatory facilitation and ancillary material standardisation pertaining to delivery of cellular therapy to patients.

For more information, please visit <https://www.actris.sg>

Precision Health Research, Singapore (PRECISE)

Precision Health Research, Singapore (PRECISE) is the central entity set up to coordinate a whole-of-government effort to implement Phase II of Singapore's 10-year National Precision Medicine (NPM) strategy.

NPM Phase II aims to transform healthcare in Singapore and improve patient outcomes through new insights into the Asian genome and data-driven healthcare solutions. NPM Phase II will also enhance the breadth and depth of the Precision Medicine-related industry by attracting and anchoring overseas companies in Singapore, while yielding new opportunities for home-grown companies.

For more information, please visit <https://www.npm.sg>

Singapore Translational Cancer Consortium (STCC)

The Singapore Translational Cancer Consortium (STCC) is a nationally-coordinated consortium to synergise cancer research capabilities in Singapore.

Established in 2020, STCC brings together unmatched basic, clinical and translational talent in Singapore to create globally significant peaks of excellence in selected Asian cancers. STCC's four joint platforms – Clinical Trials and Investigational Medicine Units, Cancer Database and Tissue Banks, Translational Assays and Models, and Business Intelligence and Development Unit – provide an enabling research and innovation environment driven to foster translational research with meaningful outcomes for society.

Through these forged collaborative relationships between local cancer research groups and by capitalising on the strengths of industry and academia, STCC is uniquely poised to develop initiatives that are aligned with Singapore's goals in value-based healthcare innovation and economic value creation.

For more information, please visit <https://www.stcc.sg>