

ALK POSITIVE

Worldwide Information, Support, and Empathy

<https://www.alkpositive.org>

HELPFUL LINKS

SITE NAME	LINK	DESCRIPTION
ALK Inhibitors	http://alkinhibitors.com/	ALK Inhibitors is a meeting place for people who have or are interested in mutations involving the Anaplastic Lymphoma Kinase (ALK) gene and the drugs that are being developed to inhibit the ALK enzyme. *Note: As of late it appears this site is no longer being maintained
ALK Positive Website	https://www.alkpositive.org/	The main website for ALK Positive.
ALK Positive Facebook Group	https://www.facebook.com/groups/alkpositive	Current main support medium for the ALK Positive community.
Ask a Patient	http://www.askapatient.com/	Ask a patient is a site where you can ask other patients about a particular drug you've either been prescribed or that has been suggested for you. As we all know, some drugs are miracle drugs for some, but can be deadly to others. This site also offers reviews of medications by the patients.
Best Hospitals for Adult Cancer	http://health.usnews.com/best-hospitals/rankings/cancer	You can find information here about 902 hospitals in Cancer. All treat significant numbers of difficult patients – a hospital is listed only if it treated at least 241 such inpatients in 2011, 2012 and 2013. The 50 top-scoring hospitals are ranked. The rest are listed alphabetically.
Clinical Trials	https://clinicaltrials.gov/	ClinicalTrials.gov is a registry and results database of publicly and privately supported clinical studies of human participants conducted

		around the world.
CT, MRI, PET Definitions	http://clinicalposters.com/news/2013/0920-radiology-comparison.html	Need to know the difference between CT, MRI, and PET scans? Here's a helpful link for an easy to understand explanation about the difference in imaging technologies and their typical uses. (Be sure to read the comments below the article)
Cyber Knife vs. Gamma Knife	http://phoenixcyberknifecenter.com/cyberknife-vs-gamma-knife/	This information is from the Phoenix CyberKnife and Radiation Oncology Center which explains the differences between CyberKnife and GammaKnife Radiation Therapy.
Dollars for Docs	https://projects.propublica.org/docdollars/	Dollars for Docs will reveal, due to federal law, whether or not your doctor or medical facility receives money from pharmaceutical companies to push their particular medication. The site updates annually, which I am assuming that is because the report is only filed annually by the pharmaceutical companies.
Edify Life	http://www.edifylife.com/	Nutrition related website for fighting various ailments, including cancer. The site is about how lung cancer develops, its reasons (because non-cancerous people can avoid them), stages, symptoms, and foods that are helpful to cancer affected patients and preventing cancer.
Inspire	http://www.inspire.com/	A health related website where patients, caregivers, and researchers can discuss health related issues in an anonymous setting.
Mechanisms to Resistance to ALK Inhibitors	https://www.karger.com/Article/Pdf/430852	Updated Evidence on the Mechanisms of Resistance to ALK Inhibitors and Strategies to Overcome Such Resistance: Clinical and Preclinical Data (as of February 2015)
Molecular mechanisms that	https://link.springer.com/article/10	This site will explain the EML4-ALK

underpin EML4-ALK driven cancers and their response to targeted drugs	.1007/s00018-015-2117-6	variants and the mechanisms of resistance for Xalkori, Zykadia, Alecensa, and Lorlatinib
Molecular Targeted Therapies for the Treatment of Leptomeningeal Carcinomatosis: Current Evidence and Future Directions.	http://www.mdpi.com/1422-0067/17/7/1074/pdf	A PDF document outlining the treatment of LMC/LMD using targeted therapies.
National Cancer Institute - Immunotherapy	http://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/treatment/types/immunotherapy	An explanation about the different types of immunotherapy available to cancer patients.
National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN)	https://www.nccn.org/patients/	NCCN Guidelines for Patients®, translations of the NCCN clinical guidelines, are meant to help patients with cancer talk with their physicians about the best treatment options for their disease. The National Comprehensive Cancer Network® (NCCN®), a not-for-profit alliance of 27 of the world's leading cancer centers, is dedicated to improving the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of care provided to patients with cancer.
NeedyMeds	http://needymeds.com/	NeedyMeds is a national non-profit organization that maintains a website of free information on programs that help people who can't afford medications and healthcare costs.
Pneumotox Drug	https://www.pneumotox.com/drug/index/	Online drug database for all kinds of drugs, prescribed or over-the-counter, that can cause pneumonitis.
Research Report - Second Generation ALK Inhibitors	http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/advanced/doi/10.1002/cam4.413	Research Report - Activity of second-generation ALK inhibitors against crizotinib-resistant mutants in an NPM-ALK model compared to EML4-ALK
Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation	https://www.roycastle.org/how-we-help/our-campaigns/improving-treatment-and-care/interactive-map	Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation's interactive map to show statistics for cancer treatment centers in the UK.
UpToDate	http://www.uptodate.com/contents/anaplastic-lymphoma-kinase-alk-fusion-oncogene-	An article to explain everything ALK.

	positive-non-small-cell-lung-cancer	
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