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## Invitation

**Dr. Anastasia Constantinidou**, Lecturer in Oncology/Hematology at the Medical School of the University of Cyprus, will give a presentation entitled

**“Managing Adult Sarcoma in Cyprus: Challenges and opportunities”**

on **Wednesday, 13th of May 2020, at 11.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.** (Cyprus time)

The presentation is part of Dr. Constantinidou’s evaluation procedure for promotion to the rank of Assistant Professor, and will be held **online** via Zoom application

To participate please register using the following link

<https://ucy.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlkceurrjosHdZRMjWs5dmeZDyP8NodJyJs>

**Abstract:** Sarcomas constitute a heterogeneous group of mesenchymal malignancies, accounting for 1% of all adult cancer. They may appear at any age and may arise in any part of the body. Both the diagnosis and the management of sarcomas are challenging owing to the rarity of the disease, the histopathological and the biological diversity of the 70 different subtypes and the lack of effective systematic therapy for many of these subtypes, respectively. Research efforts in the form of clinical trials but also basic and translational research are intense and require national and international collaboration amongst sarcoma centres. This presentation, will focus on the reality in Cyprus and the initiatives that have been taken over the last 3 years to set up and establish the sarcoma service, to create European and international collaborations and ultimately develop a research portfolio dedicated to sarcoma.

[Dr. Anastasia Constantinidou](#) is a Lecturer in Oncology/Haematology at the Medical School, UCY and a Consultant Medical Oncologist at the Bank of Cyprus Oncology Center. Following her MD and Membership of the Royal College of Physicians (MRCP) she completed her specialist clinical training (CCT) in Medical Oncology at the Royal Marsden Hospital in London in 2011. She obtained her MSc in Oncology and her PhD in Molecular Pathology from the Institute of Cancer Research, University of London. Her basic science research has focused on novel targets in cancer therapeutics with emphasis on epigenetics. She also has experience in translational research and precision medicine running early and late phase clinical trials. She has been awarded a number of fellowships as well as grants from the Wellcome Trust, the Sarcoma UK, Horizon 2020, RPF. Her clinical practice and ongoing research interests focus on breast cancer and sarcoma; she is the principal investigator of a number of translational projects and clinical trials on therapeutic strategies in cancer.

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