

An Interactive Platform for Physicians & Researchers

Why Project Surveillance?

Formal clinical trials and traditional publications, although providing valuable findings that eventually can lead to life saving treatments, have a critical time lag component. Additionally, traditional research collaborations do not have built-in safeguards to assure that experts share their observations.

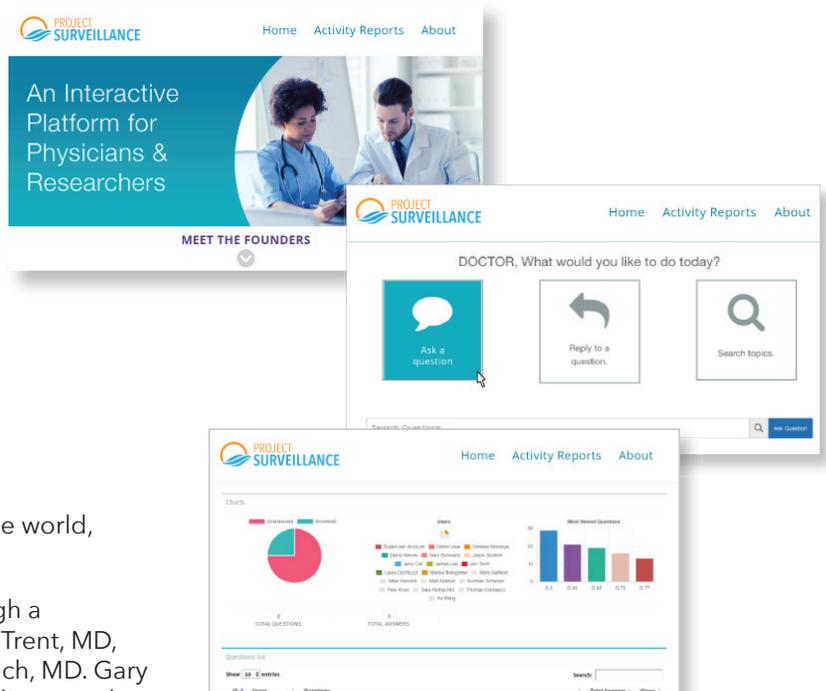
Add to this the fact that many GIST patients are not being seen by GIST specialists, but by local oncologists. Patients are looking to become empowered, and often turn to internet research to seek strategies for survival.

Providing a platform for GIST specialists to share their data, plus the rich data from the Life Raft Group's Patient Registry, the largest GIST registry in the world, clinical decision-making will become smarter.

The concept was born at CTOS, 2017 in Hawaii through a conversation between Norman Scherzer, Jonathan C. Trent, MD, Ph.D., Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS, and Michael C. Heinrich, MD. Gary K. Schwartz, MD, although not at CTOS, is also a founding member of this consortium.

Project Surveillance aims to close this critical time gap, by forming a collaborative platform for GIST experts to share real-world, real-time observations in a timely, actionable manner. Enhanced by the patient-provided data from the Life Raft Group's Patient Registry GIST/PRIME, the project combines patient and clinician brainpower.

An initial focus will be on Pediatric/Wildtype/SDH Deficient data.



For Physicians:

Why should I join?

- With more subsets of this rare cancer being discovered, you may not have sufficient data on your own.
- Opportunity for rapid hypothesis generation.
- Most importantly, the information shared will help save lives.