

# Research Portfolio Management: The Protocol Performance

## Monitoring Dashboard

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### Background

- As an NCI-designated comprehensive cancer center, Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK) is required per Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG) guidelines to have a Protocol Review and Monitoring System (PRMS), responsible for monitoring ongoing institutional research.
- Historically, MSK's PRMS Committee (PRMC) was responsible for monitoring the scientific progress of our clinical research portfolio.
- More recently, MSK's PRMC created a Protocol Monitoring sub-committee whose sole responsibility is carrying out their mission by evaluating accrual rates, scientific progress, and patient need and determining trials' potential for completion.

### Goal/Methods

- To accomplish its task of closing protocols with low potential for completion, the sub-committee needed a real-time reporting tool to aid in identifying underperforming trials.
- This tool could be used by department leadership to assess their portfolio and preemptively close underperforming trials that may otherwise be identified by the committee.
- In collaboration with MSK's Clinical Research Informatics and Technology, we developed a user-friendly dashboard to assist with assessing protocol performance.
- Leveraging data from multiple systems, the dashboard blends comprehensive metrics, including protocol lifespan, estimated time to study completion (ETC), and accrual rates.

### Dashboard Features

- The pop-out provides context, showing a clear picture of accrual performance for patients accrued with MSK Oversight (internal locations and participating sites) which assists the committee when making decisions about closures.
- Multiple filters make it easy to isolate key protocols. E.g., Can isolate protocols that have accrued 0 patients or have been open for an extended period (determined by the user) and may no longer be scientifically relevant.

### Next Steps

- Broaden utilization to other institutional leaders (i.e., department heads) and provide education to increase transparency and promote collaboration of portfolio management between PRMS and departments.
- Reassess needs to identify improvements and new tools.

