

Welcome to the SAGITTARIUS newsletter, the six-monthly appointment to be updated on the SAGITTARIUS project.

A foreword by a SAGITTARIUS person

Beyond Technology: The Role of the Patient Perspective in Personalised Medicine

A laboratory result is never just a scientific data point. It can shape treatment decisions, influence future plans, affect family relationships and professional activities, and have a profound impact on how patients and their loved ones perceive the future. It extends far beyond clinical outcomes.

– Marianna Vitaloni, Patient Advocate and Medical & Scientific Project Manager at Digestive Cancers Europe



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SAGITTARIUS latest news & events



All of the SAGITTARIUS centres are already activated!

[Take a look at the list of SAGITTARIUS centres](#)



More than 500 patients already enrolled in the trial! To obtain robust data, SAGITTARIUS experts need to include several hundreds patients. Find out how the clinical trial works and who could be eligible:

[How does the SAGITTARIUS trial work?](#)

21st January 2026

SAGITTARIUS partners joined the online **International Workshop** organized within the Horizon Europe Cancer Mission “Diagnosis and treatment - Refractory Cancers” Cluster: **Design and implementation of inclusive clinical studies**.

February 2026

In the frame of its stakeholder engagement strategy, SAGITTARIUS has established a **collaboration with Europa Colon Cancer Italia**.

26th February 2026

DiCE, a partner of the SAGITTARIUS project, participated in the **ECCAM 2026 launch event**, at the European Parliament, contributing to discussions on strengthening colorectal cancer screening across Europe.

19th May 2026

SAGITTARIUS partners have participated in the online **Workshop: Communication and Supportive Care in Cancer Clinical Trials**.

Ongoing

The consortium is currently organising the **next SAGITTARIUS project meeting** alongside a dedicated workshop to lay the groundwork for the **future exploitation of SAGITTARIUS results**, a key step to maximise the project’s impact.

Upcoming events

1st-4th July 2026

SAGITTARIUS experts will participate in the **ESMO Gastrointestinal Cancers Congress** in Munich, Germany.

22nd October 2026

SAGITTARIUS will take part in the **third “Diagnosis and treatment - Refractory Cancers” Cluster Annual Meeting**, in Madrid, Spain.

23-26th October 2026

The SAGITTARIUS experts will attend the ESMO congress in Madrid, Spain.

Explore our updated website and social media to discover **fresh content** and **valuable resources** about the SAGITTARIUS project!

[Stay updated about the SAGITTARIUS project](#)

Having a common mission Networking and collaborating for beating cancer

SAGITTARIUS continues its fruitful collaboration within the Horizon Europe Cancer Mission “Diagnosis and treatment - Refractory Cancers” Cluster to jointly address various issues related to conducting pragmatic clinical trials. The EU Cancer Mission Cluster now includes **13 Horizon Europe projects**, all sharing **similar objectives**: collectively, we aim to identify synergies to maximize the impact of our projects.

[Find out more about the Cluster effort](#)

Meet the people behind SAGITTARIUS

Meet Dr. Marianna Vitaloni, Patient Advocate and Medical & Scientific Project Manager at DiCE, Brussels, Belgium.

[Watch Marianna Vitaloni’s presentation](#)



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