

At KU Center for Clinical Research, we are changing the face of medicine right here in Wichita. Rather than just watching it happen, we are making it happen and bringing cutting-edge care to Kansans.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Center for Clinical Research is dedicated to conducting clinical trials in a safe and professional manner to contribute to the discovery of new treatments in all areas of medicine. We are focused on rural outreach to offer cutting-edge care to diverse populations throughout the region.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Center for Clinical Research conducts clinical trials to further the knowledge of various disease states and advance medical care. We do so in an efficient and cost-effective manner. We have developed expertise by participating in nationally recognized clinical trial networks and have partnered with investigators in all medical disciplines.

The Center for Clinical Research conducts research studies in a variety of populations including children, adolescents and adults.



We have a database that includes several hundred potential participants with various medical conditions. Our faculty practice plan has several thousand patients across multiple specialties who can be recruited for clinical trials, including from primary care clinics, general psychiatry and pediatric clinics.

The Center for Clinical Research is overseen by Tiffany Schwasinger-Schmidt, M.D., Ph.D., FACP, who is an assistant professor of medicine with the Department of Internal Medicine. Dr. Schwasinger-Schmidt has been participating in clinical trials since 2017 and has been a principal investigator on more than 30 trials sponsored by pharmaceutical companies, NIH and private foundations. The research staff consists of research nurses, study coordinators and recruiters who are extensively trained in running clinical trials.

WHAT RESOURCES DOES THE CCR HAVE?

- 4° refrigerator (temperature monitored)
- -20° freezer (temperature monitored)
- -80° freezer (temperature monitored)
- Refrigerated/ambient centrifuge
- Temperature-monitored IP space
- Infusion chairs/space
- Record storage room
- Long-term record storage
- Conference room
- CLIA-certified laboratory
- IRB/contract negotiations/regulatory
- Pharmacy
- **Exam rooms**
- Experienced clinical research coordinators
- Research nurses
- Participant recruiter
- Statisticians
- Cognitive/neuropsychological testing
- Access to multispecialty physicians

WHAT PROCEDURES CAN CCR STAFF PERFORM?

- PK
- Intravenous infusions
- Pharmacogenomics
- ECG
- Standardized ratings
- Phlebotomy
- Urine collection
- Sample collection and processing per IATA standards

STUDIES CURRENTLY ENROLLING

Personality disorder traits. Primary objective is to establish prevalence of the MTHFR C677T/A and A1298C/A gene mutations among a cohort of patients treated for personality disorders.

Adult depression. Primary objective is to evaluate the efficacy, tolerability and safety of a study drug in patients with major depressive disorder with inadequate response to antidepressants.

Treatment-resistant depression. To evaluate the efficacy, safety and tolerability of a nasal spray administered as monotherapy in adult participants with treatment-resistant depression.

Crohn's disease. To evaluate a study drug in participants with moderately to severely active Crohn's Disease.

Pediatric constipation. To evaluate a study drug in children, ages 6-17 with functional constipation.



Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). A study to compare the effectiveness of roflumilast (Daliresp) therapy vs. azithromycin therapy to prevent COPD exacerbations.

Alzheimer's disease. The primary objective is to evaluate the efficacy and safety of a study drug compared to placebo in the treatment of agitation symptoms in subjects with agitation associated with Alzheimer's disease.

COVID-19 transmission. This trial will study the transmission of COVID-19 as well as the effectiveness of vaccines to prevent spread of COVID-19.

COVID-19 treatment. To evaluate the effectiveness of FDA-approved medications in reducing symptoms of non-hospitalized participants with mild to moderate COVID-19.

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