Gold In September (G9) awards The Children's Oncology Group Foundation $100,000 in support of NCI-COG Pediatric MATCH Trial

The Children’s Oncology Group Foundation is honored that Gold In September (G9) has awarded a $100,000 grant to complement support of the NCI-COG Pediatric MATCH (Molecular Analysis for Therapy Choice) trial. G9 is the first philanthropic supporter of Pediatric MATCH, and their grant will help Children’s Oncology Group (COG) member institutions around the world obtain archival tumor samples from children with relapsed or refractory tumors who have enrolled on to the study. These samples will help COG investigators analyze the entire “evolution” of tumors from diagnosis onward, and will provide a baseline to compare changes in tumors over time. In addition, G9 has committed funding to help patients enroll on to other Phase 1 clinical trials if no specific match is found for them on the Pediatric MATCH trial.

Gold In September (G9) was founded by Annie Bartosz in 2012 when she was just 11. Annie had an intrinsic need to do more for childhood cancer after suffering the immense loss of her twin brother. She saw the world turn pink in October for breast cancer and asked her parents what the official color and month were that represented childhood cancer. After being told that Gold (G) was the color and September (9) was the month; Gold In September (G9) was born. G9 envisions changing the future for childhood cancer with a mission dedicated to increasing funding for research and initiatives by growing awareness that inspires action to help every child, everywhere.

To learn more about G9, please visit www.goldinseptember.org

About NCI-COG Pediatric MATCH

The NCI-COG Pediatric MATCH (Molecular Analysis for Therapy Choice) trial was activated on July 24, 2017. NCI-COG Pediatric MATCH, the first pediatric precision medicine cancer treatment trial of this scale, is open at approximately 200 U.S.-based COG member cancer centers and community hospitals. The study was developed and will be led jointly by the National Cancer Institute and COG.

To learn more about NCI-COG Pediatric MATCH, please visit www.childrensoncologygroup.org