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Just Who IS Participating in Cytodyn's Loserlimab Coronavirus Trial? (CYDY)

Our last post (catch up on it [here](https://buyersstrike.wordpress.com/2020/09/08/quick-take-whos-not-participating-in-cytodyns-ridiculous-loserlimab-trial-cydy/) (<https://buyersstrike.wordpress.com/2020/09/08/quick-take-whos-not-participating-in-cytodyns-ridiculous-loserlimab-trial-cydy/>)) discussed the August 31, 2020 updates to the ongoing Covid trial run by everyone's favorite reverse-merger pink sheet Coronacraper, **Cytodyn (CYDY)**. Together we looked at the strange disappearance of Yale and the **complete absence** of any trial sites in the **UK**. Some people complained that the curmudgeonly crew at **BuyersStrike! HQ** only looks at the negatives swirling around **Cytodyn**, and not the positives. "Why look at the sites that aren't there, instead look at the sites that are there." Spoiler Alert: Be careful what you wish for.

While we wait for **The NaDDir's*** next ridiculous stock pumping conference call, scheduled for **September 16th** (<https://www.cytodyn.com/investors/news-events/ir-calendar/detail/3121/investment-community-conference-call>), let's take a peek at one of the sites that is participating in Cytodyn's trial of **loserlimab** (<https://buyersstrike.wordpress.com/2020/08/28/but-teh-science-be-so-gud-part-1-a-brief-history-of-loserlimab-cydy/>) in severe to critical Covid patients.

Recall that the list of trial sites is available [here](https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT04347239#contactlocation) (<https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT04347239#contactlocation>). One particular site sticks out from the others:

United States, Georgia

Center for Advanced Research & Education (CARE)

Recruiting

Gainesville, Georgia, United States, 30501

Contact: Julie Recknor 770-534-5154 jrecknor@carega.net

Principal Investigator: Angela Ritter, MD

The impressively named **Center for Advanced Research & Education** has an equally impressive website [here](https://carega.net) (<https://carega.net>). CARE is run by **Dr. Chris Recknor**. Recknor's involvement with **Cytodyn** was highlighted in an early July article from **Stat** (catch up on that article [here](https://www.statnews.com/2020/07/08/a-moment-of-truth-arrives-for-cytodyns-covid-19-drug-dont-let-spin-obscure-it/) (<https://www.statnews.com/2020/07/08/a-moment-of-truth-arrives-for-cytodyns-covid-19-drug-dont-let-spin-obscure-it/>)).

Recruitment of patients started in April, but by early June, CytoDyn admitted publicly that enrollment stalled at 58 patients — 39 treated with leronlimab injections and 19 offered matching placebo injections. Days later, however, CytoDyn said it had managed to recruit, enroll and treat the full allotment of 75 patients with mild to moderate Covid-19.

CytoDyn credited the quick boost in patient enrollment to Chris Recknor, a physician and clinical trialist in Gainesville, Ga., who also was treated with leronlimab under a compassionate use protocol after being diagnosed with a more serious case of Covid-19. Recknor eventually recovered, although what role, if any, that leronlimab played is not known.

Recknor was "very grateful for CytoDyn's efforts" and agreed to work for the company to recruit patients, said Scott Kelly, CytoDyn's chairman and chief medical officer, on a June 11 conference call. "He has been a tremendous asset in enrolling our mild to moderate Covid-19 trial."

The exact nature of Recknor's patient recruitment work for CytoDyn is not clear. Recknor's medical practice is called the Center for Advanced Research and Education. Recknor and his practice have participated in 10 clinical trials, mostly focused on treatments for osteoporosis and other bone disorders, his medical specialty, according to the government's ClinicalTrials.gov database.

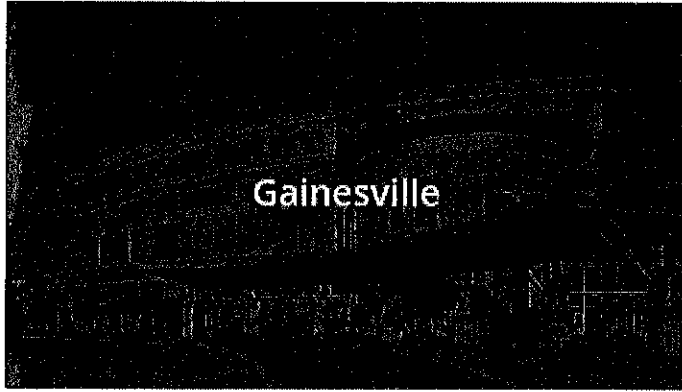
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According to the **Atlanta Journal-Constitution** (<https://www.ajc.com/lifestyles/health/for-some-with-covid-symptoms-can-linger-for-weeks-even-months/OrzLkWZWeXh0D2y3ezEqN/>), when Dr. Recknor fell ill, he did not go to his own facility, rather he went to a hospital down the road:

His condition worsened to the point where he thought he might have a heart attack. He ended up in ER at Northeast Georgia Medical Center three times and was twice admitted for overnight stays.

If CARE is such a high tech facility that it can treat critical patients and also participate in clinical studies, certainly someone on staff could have checked out Dr. Recknor? Or is there even less to CARE than it seems?

Northeast Georgia Medical Center (<https://www.nghs.com/locations/gainesville/>) in Gainesville not only looks like a real hospital,



but it is also registered with the State of Georgia. You can search licensed Georgia Health Care Facilities [here](https://forms.dch.georgia.gov/hfrd/GaMap2Care.html?) (<https://forms.dch.georgia.gov/hfrd/GaMap2Care.html?>).

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Kennesaw Heights
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CARE, located at 2350 Limestone Parkway NE in Gainesville, is not nearly as impressive:



And if you search for the Center for Advanced Research & Education in State of Georgia records, no license can be found.

Center For Advanced |

CENTER FOR ADVANCED PEDIATRICS CLINICAL RSCH LAB-1400
TULLIE ROAD ATLANTA, GA 30329

CENTER FOR ADVANCED REHAB AT PARKSIDE, THE-110 PARK CITY
ROAD ROSSVILLE, GA 30741

WOMEN'S CENTER FOR ADVANCED SURGERY, INC-1948 OLD OGILLA
ROAD TIFTON, GA 31794

What if you search by address?

Limestone Parkway |

HOSPICE OF NORTHEAST GA MC-2150 LIMESTONE PARKWAY
STE 222 GAINESVILLE, GA 30501

MORNINGSIDE OF GAINESVILLE-2435 LIMESTONE PARKWAY
GAINESVILLE, GA 30501

Still nothing. Recall the criteria for being included in this study:

Criteria

Inclusion Criteria:

1. Male or female adult \geq 18 years of age at time of screening.
2. Subjects hospitalized with severe or critical illness caused by coronavirus 2019 infection as defined below:

Subjects must be **hospitalized with severe or critical illness**. Does CARE look like an inpatient facility equipped to care for patients in severe or critical condition? Ones at risk of ARDS?

Are Cytodyn study patients being hospitalized and then treated with an experimental medication in an unlicensed facility? Where is the IRB? The potential CFR Title 45 (https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=6e6f1d4f4b9f707f084c9e78fa19447d&mc=true&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title45/45cfr46_main_02.tpl), violations are staggering in their implications.

Interestingly, the Principal Investigator at the CARE site in the current Cytodyn study is not Dr. Chris Recknor, but Dr. Angela Ritter. She doesn't show up on the CARE website:

Company Leadership



Dr. Recknor is a leader and innovator in the field of Osteoporosis and bone health. The breadth of his expertise combines 22 years of medical practice with cutting edge Osteoporosis research. Dr. Recknor serves as an advisor for many national and international clinical trials and travels extensively as a speaker on the topics of Osteoporosis treatments and evidence based medicine. Dr Recknor received his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina, where he also performed his residency in internal medicine. He is a member of the American Medical Association, American Society of Bone and Mineral Research, International Society for Clinical Densitometry, and National Osteoporosis Foundation and many other organizations.



Dr. Recknor brings 22 years of experience in research design and data analysis to Ionmed Systems. Her primary role includes the design of research studies, quality control of the products and the oversight of the database and accompanying software systems. Dr. Recknor received her B.S. in Mathematics from Furman University, an M.S. in Mathematics from Clemson University and a Ph.D. in Biostatistics from the Medical University of South Carolina.

Brad Grant, BS - Director Software Engineering

Brad has 30+ years of experience as a Systems Analyst with special focus for 7+ years on medical software development. He is proficient with Java web application programming, relational database design, and MySQL administration. Mr. Grant received his B.S. in Applied Computer Science with a minor in Mathematics at Southern Polytechnic State University.

Professional Advisory Panel

Joy Kelleher, Business Development

Joy's background is in psychology and social work. Joy graduated with a B.S. degree in Child and Adolescent Psychology from Towson State University and an MSW from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She currently holds a clinical social work license in Georgia. During the span of her 20-year career, Joy has worked within the public and private sectors in the United States and Europe in both clinical and administrative roles. She has a proven track record internationally in redesigning behavioral health systems to maximize both resources and consumer outcomes. In addition, developing technological solutions for health and social issues has been a passion of Joy's for the past five years affording her the opportunity to promote new business innovations in the US and abroad.

Stephanie Grant - Occupational Therapy

Stephanie was involved in the development of the Bone Safety Evaluation (BSE), a key component of Ionmed System's product line. As an occupational therapist with a distinguished clinical and research career, Ms. Grant contributes her skill set to both the United Osteoporosis Center (UOC) and Ionmed systems. Currently Ms. Grant provides occupational therapy services for Amedisys, a leading home health agency. She is a graduate of Tufts University.

Dr. Ritter is actually a family medicine specialist (Georgia license 42712) and her practice, according to State of Georgia records (search them yourself [here \(https://gmb.mylicense.com/verification/Search.aspx\)](https://gmb.mylicense.com/verification/Search.aspx)), is located in a nearby town, Flowery Branch. From these records it also doesn't appear that she has any hospital admitting privileges.



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Licensee Details

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Name: Angela Dawn Ritter **Designation:** MD
Lic #: 42712 **Profession:** Physician **Subtype:** Full
Status: Active **Issued:** 10/3/1996 **Expires:** 11/30/2021

Specialties

Specialty/Subspecialty	Certifying Board	Primary Specialty?
Family Medicine		Y

Disclaimer: Please note that many valid certifying specialty boards do not participate in the American Board of Medical Specialties (1-866-ASK-ABMS or www.abms.org) and actual verification of a physician's board certification is best accomplished by contacting the individual certifying specialty board.

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FLOWERY BRANCH GA 30542
County: Hall
Country: United States

How can she possibly treat hospitalized Severe-to-Critical Covid-19 patients, with an experimental drug, in any facility let alone the unlicensed CARE site?

Readers may recall that previously we looked at a number of lawsuits against Cytodyn. One, by former Chief Medical Officer, and Vice Chairman, Dr. Richard Pestell is quite relevant. Refresh your memories [here](https://buyersstrike.wordpress.com/2020/04/29/whos-suing-cytodyn-now-cydy/) (<https://buyersstrike.wordpress.com/2020/04/29/whos-suing-cytodyn-now-cydy/>), and [here](https://www.scribd.com/document/458956431/Pestell-v-Cytodyn-CYDY-1-19-cv-01563-RGA) (<https://www.scribd.com/document/458956431/Pestell-v-Cytodyn-CYDY-1-19-cv-01563-RGA>). Paragraphs 65 and 66 are the most important:

65. Specifically, on June 20, 2019, the CEO, who has no medical training, demanded that the clinical trial office at Amarex Clinical Research LLC ("Amarex") "submit the IND and protocol that you had made for colon cancer for submission to the FDA by tomorrow and let [Professor] John [Marshall, Consultant to CytoDyn] know that we are not waiting for him any longer."

66. Dr. Pestell pushed back on the CEO's attempts to rush the submission because, the week prior, on June 12, 2019, Dr. Pestell had determined that the protocol was unsafe

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If Pestell is to be believed, Cytodyn has a history of conducting unsafe trials. While it is unlikely that the company will ever share the data, at the very least an analysis of patient enrollment and outcome by site is needed. If this clinical trial (NCT04347239) is being conducted in unlicensed facilities, putting patients lives at risk, a much closer look by both Georgia and Federal regulators may be in order.

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1. Gukaso says:

[September 14, 2020 at 1:00 pm](#)

clown write up.... garbage patch trash

[Thanks for stopping by. – Editor]

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2. Jack Crosby says:

[September 15, 2020 at 12:58 am](#)

wow. all the name-calling and corny, spiteful nicknames really lend an element of credence to your "article". Nicely done. I'm sure you'll sway a lot of thoughts and opinions with this investigative journalistic gem...

[And yet you keep clicking. Now try disproving anything shown above. – Editor]

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3. Quake says:

[September 15, 2020 at 4:50 am](#)

Did you miss the party where the Recknor heroes with the mild to moderate? You do know that is different from severe to critical, right? You also do realize that Yale was a mild to moderate site and not severe to critical, right. Oh well, I'm sure you know what you are trying to accomplish and your folks will believe you. Good luck, but get the basic facts straight. Might be helpful as a "journalist".

[Yale was indeed a mild-to-moderate site, and it was also, until the Aug 31st update posted on Clinicaltrials.gov, a site for the severe-to-critical study as well. Don't believe that? See for yourself right [here](#). – Editor]

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4. Barton Davies says:

[September 15, 2020 at 11:32 pm](#)

I think you missed the fact the trial for which Dr. Recknor recruited patients was the Mild to Moderate trial, not the Severe/Critical trial. The Mild to Moderate trial had no requirement that patients be hospitalized.

[Mild to moderate did not require patients to be hospitalized, this is correct. However we are discussing the severe to critical trial here, and indeed CARE is a listed trial site. Don't believe that? See for yourself right [here](#). According to the clinicaltrials.gov records, which are provided by Cytodyn itself, CARE is involved in both trials. – Editor]

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