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OHSU chosen as site for early cancer detection study

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GRAIL Inc. has chosen the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute as one of five sites across the U.S. for a study on early detection of cancer.

People in Oregon will be among the first to have the opportunity to participate in the PATHFINDER study.

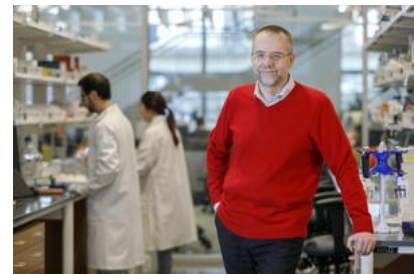
GRAIL is a health care company based in Menlo Park, California, that is focused on early cancer detection. Its early detection test is designed to detect 20 cancer types through a blood draw.

PATHFINDER aims to enroll 6,200 people age 50 or older who are cancer free. Investigators are looking for 70 percent of the cohort to comprise those with an elevated cancer risk, such as a history of smoking. The other 30 percent will be made up of those with a normal risk of cancer.

Dr. Tom Beer, deputy director of the institute, will serve as principal investigator on the study and will manage the one focusing on solid tumors. Dr. Uma Borate, co-principal investigator, will manger the study on blood-based cancers.

“For many types of cancer, we know that when we can find cancer early, we have better survival rates,” Beer said.

The other study sites are the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Mayo Clinic, Sutter Health and Intermountain Healthcare.



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Dr. Tom Beer, deputy director of the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute, will serve as principal investigator on the early cancer detection study.

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