

# Pathfinder Series: Immunotherapy

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This pathfinder provides information about resources available in the JCC Patient & Family Resource Centre and on the internet.

## Books

***A Cure Within: Scientists Unleashing the Immune System to Kill Cancer*** / Neil Canavan

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- the story of the immune-oncology pioneers.
- based entirely on interviews with the investigators.

***Cancer Immunotherapies: The Latest Revolutionary Miracle Weapons to Fight Cancer*** / Virgil E.J.C. Schijns

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- information on the state-of-the art medical science in cancer immunotherapies.
- getting access to information on the newest treatments and making informed decisions about your chances.

***The Basics of Cancer Immunotherapy*** / Haidong Dong and Svetomir N. Markovic

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- provides patients and their physicians (especially "non-oncologist" health care providers) with a clear and concise introduction to cancer immunotherapy, which, unlike traditional forms of cancer therapy, acts by boosting the patient's own immune system to fight cancer.

***The Breakthrough: Immunotherapy and the Race to Cure Cancer*** / Charles Graeber

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- "The Breakthrough is the story of the game-changing scientific discoveries that unleash our natural ability to recognize and defeat cancer, as told through the experiences of the patients, physicians, and cancer immunotherapy researchers who are on the front lines."

## Websites

### American Cancer Society - Immunotherapy

<https://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects/treatment-types/immunotherapy.html>

- information about monoclonal antibodies, CAR T-cell therapy, immune checkpoint inhibitors, cytokines, immunomodulators, and more.



### Canadian Cancer Society - Immunotherapy

<https://www.cancer.ca/en/cancer-information/diagnosis-and-treatment/chemotherapy-and-other-drug-therapies/immunotherapy/?region=on>

- information about the immune system and how it works as well as different types of immunotherapy used to treat cancer.



### Cancer Research Institute – Immunotherapy In-Depth

<https://www.cancerresearch.org/immunotherapy/what-is-immunotherapy>

- detailed information about immunotherapy from extensive guides on boosting the body's immune system and how it works.
- biomarkers, side effects, facts, patient stories, and more.



### Cleveland Clinic - Immunotherapy

<https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/treatments/11582-immunotherapy>

- general information about immunotherapy, including side effects, procedure details, risks/benefits, and more.



### National Cancer Institute – Immunotherapy to Treat Cancer

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/treatment/types/immunotherapy>

- which cancers are treated with immunotherapy, how it is given, how often it is received, how you can tell if it is working, finding clinical trials, and what current research is available.

