# **DirectConnect**

Inside Yale Cancer Center

### **October 7, 2022**

### From Eric's Desk

With October upon us, it is time to shift into high gear as a TEAM across the Center. This includes our clinical service, clinical research, and our work in population science and basic/translational research.

From a clinical perspective, we are poised for significant growth. We have wonderful clinicians across disciplines and across the state. We need to deepen and extend our expertise, improve our access for both new and existing patients, and standardize our approach to clinical care for most cancers. We are recruiting new clinicians/clinical researchers, and the pace of that recruitment will increase in the year ahead. We need to see new patients within days of their diagnosis. When faced with a diagnosis of cancer, having access to outstanding care as quickly as possible can be a huge source of relief for the patient and family—and we want to be available to patients from their first knowledge of a cancer diagnosis (or before) and as long as they need us. As our clinical service grows, so, too, will our clinical trial accrual and our translational work will flourish.

The Clinical Trials Office is well on its way to a total transformation with new processes, procedures, and efficiencies. We are ready to build our clinical trial portfolio and increase accrual. There will still be bumps in the road, but the success of the CTO is critical to our patients, our reputation in the clinical trials arena, and our submission of the Cancer Center Support Grant next fall. Please work with Ian Krop, MD, PhD (Associate Director for Clinical Research and Chief Clinical Research Officer) and Alyssa Gateman (Executive Director of the Clinical Trials Office) to optimize clinical trials operations and enhance accrual.

As we focus more of our time on submission of the Cancer Center Support Grant, we are keenly focused on the basic science programs—Cancer Immunology, Cancer Signaling Networks, Radiobiology and Genomic Integrity, and Genomics, Genetics, and Epigenetics—within the Cancer Center. We are working to enhance these strong programs. Developmental Therapeutics and Cancer Prevention and Control, both of which are exceptionally strong, will also continue to evolve before the submission in September 2023. Here, we will also see recruitment of individuals and funds to develop interest groups that will support specific priorities identified in our strategic planning process.

I can't end without talking about our commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion, community outreach, and training and education. This commitment is steadfast, a major focus of our efforts in the years ahead, and foundational

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Director, Yale Cancer Center
Physician-in-Chief, Smilow Cancer Network

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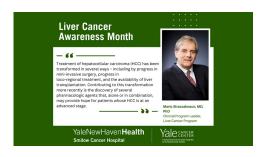






**Liver Cancer Awareness Q&A with Mario** 

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Have a great weekend. I want to invite all of you to be a guest blogger in this space. DirectConnect comes out every other Friday, and it would be great if any of you want to write a brief column (250-500 words). Just let **Renee**Gaudette know a week or so in advance. I am sure you are all tired of hearing from me, so please, someone step forward and share your thoughts in two weeks!



#### **Announcements**

# Monica Valero, MD, Appointed in Surgical Oncology

Breast surgeon Monica Valero, MD, has been appointed Assistant
Professor of Surgery (Surgical
Oncology) at Yale Cancer Center
and Smilow Cancer Hospital and will
care for patients at the Smilow
Cancer Hospital Care Centers in
Trumbull and Fairfield, and at
Bridgeport Hospital. Prior to joining
Yale, Dr. Valero was an Assistant
Professor of Surgery at Beth Israel
Deaconess Medical Center, where
she was also Director of the Hispanic
Breast Cancer Program.



Dr. Valero received her medical degree from Universidad Central de Venezuela Medical School in Caracas, Venezuela and completed her residency and fellowship training at Brigham and Women's Hospital/Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Dr. Valero provides high quality surgical care to patients, while striving to improve access to care and promote innovation within the field of breast surgery. Her research interests include breast conserving surgery, racial disparities in breast cancer, and axillary management of breast disease. She is actively involved in quality improvement projects to optimize surgical treatment of underserved populations with breast cancer.

#### Luisa Escobar-Hoyos, MSc, PhD Awarded High-Risk, High-Reward Grant

Luisa Escobar-Hoyos, MSc, PhD, Assistant Professor of Therapeutic Radiology and Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, was awarded a New Innovator Award from the National Institutes of Health through

the High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program. The award supports exceptionally creative early



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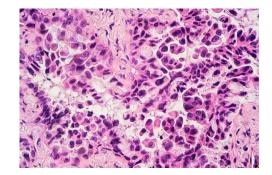
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# Breast Cancer Awareness Q&A with Maryam Lustberg, MD, MPH



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career investigators who propose innovative, high-impact projects in the biomedical, behavioral, or social sciences.

The award will support Dr. Escobar-Hoyos' research project "Unleashing T-cell mediated anti-tumor responses through repair of altered RNA splicing and antigen mimicry recognition." The goal is to understand the intrinsic mechanisms of gene expression and antigen recognition that either inhibit or promote T-cell activity against



tumor cells and develop checkpoint immunotherapies and cancer vaccines to unleash the full cytotoxic activity of T cells.

Dr. Escobar-Hoyos would like to recognize Natasha Pinto Medici (postdoc), Diana Martinez-Saucedo, PhD (postdoc), and Robert Tseng (MD student-computational scientist) from her lab who worked to gather the data for the grant. She would also like to thank Director of the Yale Gastrointestinal Cancer Biorepository, John Kunstman, MD, MHS, Assistant Professor of Surgery (Surgical Oncology), Joanna Hu (Research Associate), and the patients with pancreatic cancer who provided their tumor samples, which were crucial to generating preliminary data.

#### Office Hours with Flatiron

The Flatiron Health team is offering onsite Office Hours for any Yale Investigators who have questions about current or potential research projects using Flatiron datasets. Office hours will take place on Tuesday, October 18 at Yale Cancer Center. If you are interested in meeting with Flatiron, please complete this form to connect with Flatiron team members Ivy Altomare, Medical Director; Wendy Wang, Quantitative Scientist; and Alex Jacob, Product Manager.

Flatiron Health is a healthtech company dedicated to improving cancer treatment and advancing research. Through their Academic Partnership model, Yale investigators have access to Flatiron real-world data at no cost. Descriptions of the Flatiron datasets available to Yale investigators can be found in the **Flatiron Explore** research platform. New Flatiron Explore users can request access through **this form**. Through Flatiron Explore, Yale investigators can submit research ideas through a proposal-based system and receive feedback on feasibility and methodology.

#### **Upcoming CME Programs**

Join Yale Cancer Center faculty for several upcoming CME programs this fall highlighting the latest advances in cancer research and care from Yale:

- Redefining Resectability in Head & Neck Cancers, Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30pm, Virtual
- Multidisciplinary Breast Cancer Care at the Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center in Guilford, Thursday, October 13 at 6:30pm,

Virtual

- Emerging Strategies in Breast Cancer Treatment and Care, Wednesday, October 19 at 6:30pm, Virtual
- Smilow Shares with Primary Care on Lung Cancer, Tuesday, November 1 at 5pm, Virtual
- Immunotherapy and Novel Treatment for Head & Neck Cancers



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Kim Blenman, PhD, MS, Talks

Development of Cell-Counting Software
for Breast Cancer



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Sex Differences in Gastrointestinal Cancer



- Wednesday, November 9 at 6:30pm, Virtual
- Ella Grasso Gynecologic Oncology Conference, Wednesday, November 16 at 8am, Virtual
- Scientific Network on Female Sexual Health and Cancer 2022
   Conference: Extending Our Reach: Broadening the Boundaries of Oncosexual Health, Thursday and Friday, November 17-18, Greenberg Center

#### **Smilow Supportive Care Access Program**

Patients throughout the Smilow Cancer Network have access to a broad offering of Supportive Care services as they navigate their cancer journeys. The Supportive Care Access team has been established to improve access to these comprehensive supportive care programs. Trained non-clinical patient Referral Coordinators are available to facilitate referrals to 13 Supportive Care programs, including Physical Therapy, Survivorship, Cancer Genetics, the Cingari Family Boutique, and many more. The Referral Coordinators serve as an additional point of access, an educational resource, and advocacy for patients and family members of the Smilow community. The Supportive Care Access team maintains a physical presence at Smilow's Patient and Family Resource Center on NP1 and is accessible by phone at 203-200-4636 and email: SmilowSupportiveCare@ynhh.org. We are grateful to the Milbank Foundation for their generous support in building this program.

#### **Yale Cancer Center Annual Award Nominations**

Yale Cancer Center is pleased to announce our call for nominations for our annual awards. Each award will be announced at the Yale Cancer Center Conclave in January. The nomination deadline for awards, unless otherwise noted, is November 1, 2022.

Yale Cancer Center Research Prizes: Research Prizes will be awarded in support of excellence in the areas of basic science, clinical science, translational science, and population science. Awards will be chosen in each area to recognize a paper that is considered to have had the greatest impact on the field this year. The nominee must be a current member of Yale Cancer Center and science in the publication must be cancer-focused. To be eligible, the nominee must also be either the first or last author of the publication. Please submit a PDF of the publication (publication date must be between October 2021 to October 2022) along with the category it should be considered for via email to Anna Raso.

Yale Cancer Center Award for Clinical Excellence: This award will be given to the physician who best exemplifies excellence in clinical care including super clinical skills, use of a patient- and family-centered approach to care, and inclusion of a multi-disciplinary care model. Nominee must be a current member of Yale Cancer Center. Please nominate outstanding candidates and send a brief nomination letter (one-page maximum) via email to Anna Raso.

Yale Cancer Center Award for Mentorship Excellence: This award will be given to the faculty member who best exemplifies excellence in mentorship by providing ongoing feedback and support, serving as a role model to their mentee(s), inspiring them in their passion for cancer care or for their specific field of study, providing opportunities and resources for mentee(s) to advance their careers, and encouraging their mentee(s) to grow, strive for excellence, and achieve their full potential. Nominee must be a current member of Yale



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nomination letter (one-page maximum) via email to **Anna Raso**.

Yale Cancer Center Award for Teaching Excellence: This award will be given to the faculty member who best exemplifies excellence in teaching by ensuring their trainee(s) acquire the skills they need to develop as outstanding health practitioners, scientists, and/or researchers, providing ongoing feedback, inspiring passion for cancer care or for their specific field of study, explaining difficult concepts in innovative and creative ways, and stimulating excitement, debate, and critical and independent thinking.

Nominee must be a current member of Yale Cancer Center. Please nominate outstanding candidates and send a brief nomination letter (one-page maximum) via email to Anna Raso.

Yale Cancer Center Award for Leadership in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: This award will be given to the cancer center member who best exemplifies leadership in advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion through support of diverse faculty and trainees, active programs to foster culture change, and serving as a role model of fairness and inclusivity. Nominee must be a current member of Yale Cancer Center. Please nominate outstanding candidates and send a brief nomination letter (one-page maximum) via email to Anna Raso.

Yale Cancer Center Lifetime Achievement Award: Yale Cancer Center recognizes the achievements of one of our senior members through our annual Lifetime Achievement award. Nominee must be a current member of Yale Cancer Center. Please send nomination suggestions for the award via email to Anna Raso.

Ruth McCorkle Oncology Advanced Practice Provider Award: This annual award from Yale Cancer Center/Smilow Cancer Hospital recognizes the contributions of our Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant colleagues who contribute so much to oncology patient care. Please consider nominating yourself or a colleague for this award. Nominations are due for the Ruth McCorkle Award to Kim Slusser by November 30, 2022.

Class of '61 Cancer Research Award: This annual Award recognizes significant accomplishments in cancer research at Yale University by a young member of the faculty, coupled with the expectation for future outstanding contributions to our understanding of the causes of cancer and to the development of novel cancer treatments. Established through the generosity of the Yale College Class of 1961, the Award provides unrestricted funds to support the winner's cancer research at Yale. Nominees must be an independent Yale faculty member aged 45 or less (on Dec 31, 2022), with accomplishments documented by published papers and awarded grants in any area of cancer research. Self-nominations are welcomed. **Nominations** must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, November 11, 2022. Inquiries and nomination materials should please be sent to **Mark Lemmon**.

### **Notables**

Mehra Golshan, MD, MBA, Professor of Surgery (Surgical Oncology),
Deputy Chief Medical Officer for Surgical Services, Smilow Cancer Hospital,
Executive Vice Chair, Surgery, has been named Chair of the Education
Committee for the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers



## YALE CANCER ANSWERS

David Braun, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Medicine (Medical Oncology), a member of the Center of Molecular and Cellular Oncology, and Louis Goodman and Alfred Gilman Yale Scholar, and Nazli Dizman, MD, a resident in internal medicine, have both received Trailblazer Awards from the Kidney Cancer Association.

Dr. Braun's project is titled, "Dissecting the immunobiology of chromophobe renal cell carcinoma using single-cell transcriptomics" and Dr. Dizman will research the "Impact of CBM588 on metabolomic profile in patients with metastatic renal cell carcinoma (mRCC)."



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Meet Nicholas Blondin, MD, a neurooncologist specializing in brain tumors at Smilow Cancer Hospital and Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center in Trumbull. Dr. Blondin cares for patients with benign and malignant brain tumors, brain and spine metastasis, and neurological symptoms of cancer, such as seizures, cognitive impairment, headaches, gait disturbance, and weakness.

Recently, a patient shared, "I have a lot of trust in Dr. Blondin. He answers all questions and takes as much time as needed."



(NAPBC). Dr. Golshan is also a member of their National Board and the Executive Board of NAPBC.

Barbara Burtness, MD, Professor of Medicine (Medical Oncology), Leader of the Head & Neck Cancers Program at Smilow Cancer Hospital, and Interim Associate Cancer Center Director for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, has been named to the Scientific Advisory Board for the Fanconi Anemia Research Fund.

**Edward Perry, Jr., MD,** Assistant Professor of Medicine (Medical Oncology), has received a \$5000 grant from the department of medicine to support his project, "Development and Implementation of a Novel Opioid Pain Management Curriculum for Oncology Fellows."

Yale Cancer Center members shared research and innovation at the **ASCO Quality Care Symposium** last weekend in Chicago, IL. Presentations included:

#### **General Sessions**

Oncology-hospitalist co-management: A model for efficient, high-quality care and education

Jensa Morris, Elizabeth Prsic, Nathaniel Parker, Urs Weber, Erin Ann Gombos, Mathew Kottarathara, Bonnie Gould Rothberg, Kerin Adelson

Oral Abstract Session B

Health Care Access, Equity, and Disparities | Cost, Value, and Policy Chair: Rachel Greenup

#### **Poster Sessions**

Financial toxicity in patients with advanced solid malignancies participating in early-phase clinical trials

Joseph Paul Eder, Patricia LoRusso, Erin Hofstatter, Deborah Blythe Doroshow

Carbon emissions and non-biodegradable medical waste generation with alternative dosing strategies

#### Sofia Jacobson

The Inpatient Immunotherapy Outcomes study: A multicenter retrospective study of patients treated with immune checkpoint inhibitors in the inpatient setting

Wei Cheng, Osama Abdelghany, Elizabeth Prsic, Deborah Blythe Doroshow

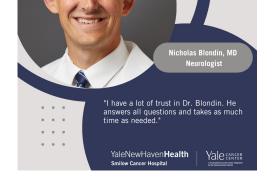
Gender analysis of oncology expert participation on online professional platforms

Nadine Housri, Pamela L. Kunz

Treatment patterns and health care resource use of patients with metastatic breast cancer with HER2-low expression: A cancer registry-linked insurance claims study

Michaela Dinan

### **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**



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The Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center in Torrington patient care fund was the recipient of a nearly \$13,000 donation this week. Royals' Garage hosts an annual car show at Lime Rock Park, and for the second year, Glenn and JR Royals donated all proceeds from the car show to the patient care fund.

The patient care fund provides immediate financial assistance to patients with cancer who experience financial difficulties as a result of their treatment.

Thank you to Royals' Garage and Lime Rock Park for their generosity and support of the community!



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Please welcome Peter Dottino, MD, FACOG,

Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences, to the Gynecologic Oncology Program at Smilow Cancer Hospital. A nationally and internationally recognized expert in operative laparoscopy, Dr. Dottino joins Yale from Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai where he was co-Director of the Gynecologic Cancer Translational Research Program.

Understanding Modern Medical Centers: Beyond Simone—
Intersectional Maxims for a New Era

In this piece in the **Journal of Clinical Oncology**, Pamela Kunz, MD, and co-authors, reintroduce Simone's Maxims for a new era, "reflective of the unique challenges and opportunities that have arisen in the intervening two decades."

#### **Step Boldly into Your Greatness**

You are not alone. Women everywhere are burned out, carrying a load that has become too heavy to bear—even though they do a great job pretending they can keep it all together.

It's time to stop before you get to your breaking point. It's time to change course and take charge of your life as you have never done before. **RSVP** to join Karen Hinds, Founder/CEO, of Workplace Success Group LLC, on Thursday, October 13 from 12-1:15pm for a discussion.

#### **How Women Rise**

The Office for Women in Medicine and Science and partners invite women and allies supporting women and gender equity to a virtual presentation by Sally Helgesen, "How Women Rise: Break the 12 Habits Holding You Back from Your Next Raise, Promotion, or Job," on Tuesday, October 18 from 12-1:30 pm.

Sally is an international expert on women's leadership and a professional coach. Melinda Pettigrew, PhD, interim dean of the Yale School of Public Health, will welcome attendees and Nancy Brown, MD, Dean of the Yale School of Medicine, will reflect on and close the session.

Please **register** by Friday, October 14 and help focus the talk by indicating which of the 12 habits most resonate with you on the registration form.

## **Employee Profile: Dina Ardito**

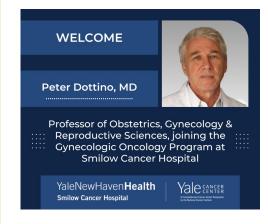
When Dina Ardito joined the Palliative Care Program at Smilow Cancer Hospital in 2018 as a senior administrative assistant, she brought with her over 42 years of administrative and supervisory experience in the nonprofit field. In her current role, Dina supports Dr. Jennifer Kapo, Chief of the Palliative

Care Program, as well as Dr. Elizabeth Prsic, Director of Adult Inpatient Palliative Care, and Dr. Andrew Putnam and Dr. Vinay Rao. She also provides assistance to the entire interdisciplinary team of palliative care physicians and nurses, as needed.

In addition to managing events, meetings, and updating the on-call



Dr. Dottino received his medical degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine and completed a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at SUNY Downstate Medical Center and a fellowship at Mount Sinai Hospital. He has published numerous articles and chapters in medical journals and textbooks and is certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in OB/GYN and Gynecologic Oncology and is an active member in numerous professional societies and organizations. He is co-Founder of MDDx- Diagnostic Biomarker Research Company and conducts research in developing diagnostic and screening tools for gynecologic cancers.



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Tune in to Yale Cancer Answers to hear Dr. Elena Ratner, Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences; Co-Chief, Section of Gynecologic Oncology, discuss the care of women with gynecologic cancers, and her research into the development of targeted drug therapies. Listen live on Connecticut Public Radio or download our podcast from iTunes.



responsible for maintaining and organizing the Schwartz Center Rounds, quarterly sessions that



provide caregivers with a forum to discuss challenging and emotional cases with the goal of improving compassionate, patient-centered care and alleviating burnout.

"In my many years working in an office setting, I have never experienced such an amazing group of people," said Dina. "I feel proud to be a part of this team and greatly supported in what I do. The physicians and nurses that I work with do especially meaningful and impressive work, which in turn, makes me feel honored that I get to support that work in some small way."

Her supervisor, Anna Raso, Chief of Staff at Yale Cancer Center, commented, "Dina is a genuinely kind person who brings so much experience to the team. She is always happy to help, and we are so grateful to have her support."

#### **#OUTOFTHEBLUETHANKS to Brenda Sandoval!**

Yale Cancer Center and Smilow
Cancer Hospital's
#OUTOFTHEBLUETHANKS
recently recognized Brenda
Sandoval, a Senior Administrative
Assistant at Yale Cancer Center.
From making floral arrangements
for special events to finding
creative ways to make the fellows
feel special and supported,
Brenda has found many ways to
go above and beyond in her role



supporting the fellowship program over recent weeks. On top of this, her support during the recent fellowship recruitment process has been invaluable to the team. Thank you, Brenda!

Yale Cancer Center & Smilow Cancer Hospital's #OUTOFTHEBLUETHANKS program is a staff recognition initiative to show appreciation to employees who have exemplified an above-and-beyond effort or an outstanding contribution to the team. If you are interested in submitting a nomination, please complete this **nomination form** and return it to the

Director's Office c/o Anna Raso.

#### **Recent Publications**

Josowitz AD, Bindra RS, Saltzman WM.

Polymer Nanocarriers for Targeted Local Delivery of Agents in Treating Brain Tumors

IOP Science, online ahead of print.

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Graff SL, Wildes T, Duma N, Dizon DS, LoConte NK, Mitchell E, Murphy MC, Perez EA, Temkin SM, Kunz P, Winkfield KM



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Congratulations to the entire Lion Hearts team on their successful annual walk through Riverside Park in Manhattan to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research at Yale Cancer Center and Smilow Cancer Hospital. Mariya Rozenblit, MD, and Judit Jimenez Sainz, PhD shared updates on their funded research at a reception following the walk.



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"There are many 'things' that inspire me to work as a cancer surgeon, but it's truly the patients that I meet and take care of each and every day that make my job the best in the world. After only meeting for an hour, they put their trust in me to help save their life! I feel honored every day to take care of breast cancer patients."

Dr. Elizabeth Berger is a breast surgical oncologist and shares more about the advancement of cancer therapies in this Q&A for Breast Cancer Awareness Month

#### Breast Cance Awareness Month

Assistant Professor of Surgery (Breast Oncology)



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**Understanding Modern Medical Centers: Beyond Simone-Intersectional** Maxims for a New Era

Journal of Clinical Oncology, online ahead of print.

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AML-484 First Results of a Phase II Study (STIMULUS-AML1) Investigating Sabatolimab + Azacitidine + Venetoclax in Patients with **Newly Diagnosed Acute Myeloid Leukemia (ND AML)** Science Direct, 22 Suppl 2:S255.

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Our outstanding pediatric hematology/ oncology staff came together to honor Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in September. Thank you for everything you do for our youngest patients every day! #childhoodcancerawarenessmonth



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#ICYMI, last week we hosted 200+ attendees at our annual Review of Advances in Oncology Highlights from the #ASCO22 Annual Meeting. #Thankyou to @DrRoyHerbstYale for hosting, @DrEricWiner who provided the keynote address, and to all our presenters!

Welcome Matthew Austin, MD, named Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine (#MedicalOncology), who will care for patients at the Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Centers in Westerly and Waterford.

David Schatz, PhD, has been named co-winner of the prestigious 2023 Paul Ehrlich and Ludwig Darmstaedter Prize, along with Frederick Alt, PhD, @harvardmed. The award honors Dr. Schatz for his discovery of the enzyme RAG1/2.

Dr. Hermine Poghosyan
@YaleNursing discusses behaviors
to reduce #cancer burden and eliminate
disparities around #lungcancer screening
and tobacco use among survivors
@YaleCancerGrand Rounds.

.@MehraGolshan, hosts "Emerging Strategies in #BreastCancer
Treatment and Care," a virtual #CME event Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 6:30pm. Register now and join us via Zoom:
<a href="http://bit.ly/3TNqbKx">http://bit.ly/3TNqbKx</a>.

A study from Dr. Matt Vesely

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emphasizes the need for greater
understanding of #cancer immunoediting to
gain insights into #immunotherapy resistance
and to overcome resistance.

Congratulations to Dr. Luisa
Escobar @Escobar\_Lab who has
been awarded a @NIH High-Risk, HighReward grant for her work developing
checkpoint #immunotherapies and
#cancervaccines for solid tumors!

Join hosts Rachel Greenup, MD, MPH @GreenupRachel, and Wajih Zaheer, MD, for a virtual #CME event, Tonnessen BH, Bush RL.

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Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30pm, join us for part 2 of 3 of our virtual #HeadandNeckCancer #CME Series cohosted by @BarbaraBurtness and Dr. Saral Mehra. Register now for "Advancing the Role of Surgery in H&N Cancers"

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October 9; 7:30 PM

Personalized Care of Prostate Cancer

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## **Funding and Award Opportunities**

# Cancer Adoptive Cellular Therapy Network (Can-ACT) for Adult Cancers (UG3/UH3)

Through this FOA, the NCI intends to accelerate development, innovation and establishment of adoptive cellular therapy clinical trials for treatment of adult patients (18 years or older) with solid tumors. Specifically, UG3 phase of the awards will support preclinical, translational and IND-enabling studies that lay groundwork for UH3 early-stage clinical trials testing adoptive immune cell therapies in adult patients with solid tumors.

Application Deadline: October 28, 2022

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# Cancer Adoptive Cellular Therapy Network (Can-ACT) Coordinating Center (U24)

Through this FOA, the NCI intends to support a coordinating center to manage the Cancer Adoptive Cell Therapy (Can-ACT) Network a network of UG3/UH3 awardees that will conduct adoptive cell therapy research and clinical trials for patients with solid tumors.

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#### **YSM Science Fellows**

The Yale School of Medicine (YSM) seeks applications for the first class of YSM Science Fellows, through which we will recruit exceptional trainees from diverse backgrounds in the basic, translational, and/or clinical fields each year for the next five years. We specifically seek outstanding recent PhD graduates who — through their research, outreach, mentoring, teaching, and leadership — have a record of excellence in their field and high future potential.

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#### Michael F. Price Memorial Grant Award for Gastroesophageal Cancer

The DeGregorio Family for Gastric and Esophageal Cancer (Gastroesophageal Cancer) is pleased to announce its 13th annual funding opportunity for gastroesophageal malignancies in honor of Michael F. Price. The Foundation seeks to promote and facilitate collaborative research on the pathogenesis, early diagnosis and treatment of upper gastrointestinal malignancies.

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Sterling Chemistry Lab; 160

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October 14; 1:00 PM

Yale Science Building

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Bryan Kelly | Mark Gerstein, PhD | Jeffrey
Park | Drago Radev, PhD | William King |
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October 18; 12:00 PM

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#### **Current NCI SBIR Contract Solicitation**

Are you working on innovative technologies that aim to prevent, diagnose, or treat cancer? The NCI SBIR Development Center can provide funding through the FY2023 NCI SBIR Contract Solicitation to assist your efforts to commercialize cancer technology projects. Please direct questions to Cherie Wells, the Contract Analyst for the Office of Acquisitions, at ncioasbir@mail.nih.gov.

Application Deadline: November 4, 2022

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## The Pershing Square Sohn Prize for Young Investigators in Cancer Research

The Pershing Square Sohn Prize for Young Investigators in Cancer Research provides early career, New York area scientists the freedom to take risks and pursue their boldest research at a stage when traditional funding is lacking. Prize winners each receive \$200,000 a year for up to three years. At least six grants are awarded annually.

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#### Program for the Promotion of Interdisciplinary Team Science (POINTS)

The YSM Office of Team Science will support teams of investigators to address major questions in basic, clinical, and translational science and partner with them on grant submissions to obtain federal funding for sustainable support for these projects. To nucleate new projects, we will provide \$50,000 to \$200,000 to groups of two to five investigators, led by a YSM faculty member, in support of research projects having the potential to achieve program project or center funding (i.e., U01, U54, P01, P30, P50, comparable large grants from other federal and non-federal agencies).

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# Global Implementation Science for Equitable Cancer Control (GlobalISE Cancer Control, U54)

The purpose of this FOA is to build implementation science centers in lowand middle-income countries (LMICs). This initiative will support implementation science research capacity-building activities, including research projects that identify, develop, and test innovative theory-based strategies for overcoming barriers to the adoption, adaptation, integration, scale-up, and sustainability of evidence-based cancer control interventions in LMICs.

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#### NCI Cancer Moonshot Scholars Diversity Program (CMSDP) (R01)

The overarching goal of the CMSDP is to increase the number of R01 Early-Stage Investigators and enhance the diversity of the cancer research workforce, while promoting scientific advancements in cancer. Investigators from diverse backgrounds, including those from underrepresented groups are encouraged to work with their institutions to apply.

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#### **Breast Cancer Awareness Conference**

October 20; 5:30 PM

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Yale investigators are encouraged to submit proposals of innovative, highpotential projects requiring pilot funding. Projects may be in any area of breast cancer research – basic, translational, clinical, outcomes and population science are all welcomed from any discipline or group of disciplines.

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#### **Technology Impact Award**

The Cancer Research Institute Technology Impact Award provides seed funding of up to \$200,000 to be used over 12-24 months to address the gap between technology development and clinical application of cancer immunotherapies. These grants aim to encourage collaboration between technology developers and clinical cancer immunologists and to generate the proof-of-principle of a novel platform technology in bioinformatics, ex vivo or in silico modeling systems, immunological or tumor profiling instrumentation, methods, reagents and assays, or other relevant technologies that can enable clinician scientists to generate deeper insights into the mechanisms of action of effective or ineffective cancer immunotherapies.

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The goal of these FOAs is to establish Disease Study Sites that will be part of a collaborative initiative to advance the application of multi-omic technologies to study health and disease in ancestrally diverse populations.

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- Multi-Omics for Health and Disease Omics Production Centers (U01)
- Multi-Omics for Health and Disease Data Analysis and Coordination Center (U01)

**Application Deadlines:** November 18, 2022

#### **Breast Surgery Fellowships**

The term of the Breast Surgical Fellowship is one year with a grant award of \$75,000, from August 1 through July 31. Institutions making application for the 2023 award must have an established breast fellowship program, be SSO accredited for a minimum of two years, and be located in New York, New Jersey or Connecticut.

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#### **BCA Education and Outreach Grants**

Breast Cancer Alliance offers grants to support programs directly related to outreach and case managerial breast cancer services, including education, counseling, biopsies and mammograms for the underserved. The programs must be located in Connecticut and/or in Westchester County, New York.

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This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) supports the Cancer Moonshot Scholars Diversity Program (CMSDP) and solicits R01 grant applications that propose independent research projects within the scientific mission of the National Cancer Institute (NCI). The overarching goal of the CMSDP is to increase the number of R01 Early Stage Investigators (ESIs) and enhance the diversity of the cancer research workforce, while promoting scientific advancements in cancer. Investigators from diverse backgrounds, including those from underrepresented groups are encouraged to work with their institutions to apply.

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