July 2019-December 31, 2019

Honors

Nita Ahuja, MD, MBA, Jorge Galán, DVM, PhD, Akiko Iwasaki, PhD, and David G. Schatz, PhD, were elected to the National Academy of Medicine.

Marcus Bosenberg, MD, PhD, and Aaron Ring, MD, PhD, were awarded a $3.8 million grant from the National Cancer Institute to develop a new cytokine-based immunotherapy for melanoma.

Peter Tattersall, PhD, received a two-year R21 grant from the National Cancer Institute for $400,000 in funding to pursue studies on Armed Oncolytic Parvoviral Vectors for Modulating the Tumor Microenvironment.

Ranjit Bindra, MD, PhD, and Patricia LoRusso, DO, received a grant from the Rising Tide Foundation for $450,000 to support funding for biomarkers for their phase I clinical trial testing olaparib against IDH1/2-mutant cancers.

The National Academy of Inventors (NAI) has named Rong Fan, PhD, as one of the Spring 2019 NAI Senior Members.

Jun Deng, PhD, was awarded a big data research grant from the National Science Foundation/National Institutes of Health. The award is $750,000 over three years, and began on August 1, 2019.

Stand Up To Cancer and the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer awarded Dr. Yang Liu one of five Convergence Scholar Fellowship Awards.

Jason Cai, PhD, was awarded an Exploratory/Development R21 grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Lajos Pusztai, MD, DPhil, was awarded a Susan G. Komen Leadership Grant.

Debra Brandt, DO, was selected as one of 12 oncologists nationwide to participate in the 2020-21 ASCO Education Scholars Program.

Nina Kadan-Lottick, MD, was awarded a U01 Collaborative Research Grant through the National Cancer Institute Moonshot Implementation Improving Outcomes for Pediatric, Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Survivors.

Lynn Savic, MD, received a Radiological Society of North America Trainee Research Prize for her work on Novel Molecular Imaging Biomarkers for Immune Response to Liver Cancer Therapy.

Peter Glazer, MD, PhD, and W. Mark Saltzman, PhD, received a new grant in collaboration with colleagues at Carnegie Mellon University from the National Institutes of Health’s Somatic Cell Genome Editing (SCGE) Program.

Laura Morrison, MD, was elected to the Board of Directors for the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM).

Caroline Johnson, PhD, received the Metabolomics Association of North America 2019 Young Investigator Award for excellence in metabolomics work by early-career scientists.

Don Nguyen, PhD was awarded a renewal to his R01 from the National Institutes of Health to study mechanisms of lung cancer lineage heterogeneity and metastasis.

Through a newly funded T32 training program led by principal investigators Roy S. Herbst, MD, PhD, and Lieping Chen, MD, PhD, the Yale Cancer Center Advanced Training Program for physician-scientists was funded by the NIH.

Valentina Greco, PhD, received a NIH Director's Pioneer Award and Mandar Deepak Muzumdar, MD, and Noah Palm, PhD, each received an NIH Director's New Innovator Award through the NIH High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program.