

35th Anniversary Annual Meeting

2020 Annual Awards



2020 Connect-a-Colleague Top Referrers

The Connect-a-Colleague campaign is designed to encourage members to personally reach out and invite potential members to join the society. An online tool makes it easy for members to refer multiple potential members at a time. New members are also encouraged to indicate SITC members who referred them for membership. Over 200 individuals have participated in the campaign, referring 18 percent of all new members.



Franco Marincola, MD

Refuge Biotechnologies



Inas Abuali, MD

University of Cincinnati Medical Center

2020 JITC Best Paper Awards



**Journal for
ImmunoTherapy of Cancer**



2020 JITC Best Clinical/Translational Paper



Presented to First Author:

Bryan D. Choi, MD, PhD

Massachusetts General Hospital

“CRISPR-Cas9 disruption of PD-1 enhances activity of universal EGFRvIII CAR T cells in a preclinical model of human glioblastoma”

Bryan D. Choi, Xiaoling Yu, Ana P. Castano, Henia Darr, Daniel B. Henderson, Amanda A. Bouffard, Rebecca C. Larson, Irene Scarfò, Stefanie R. Bailey, Genevieve M. Gerhard, Matthew J. Frigault, Mark B. Leick, Andrea Schmidts, Jason G. Sagert, William T. Curry, Bob S. Carter and Marcela V. Maus
Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer 2019, 7:302 (14 November 2019)



2020 JITC Best Basic Paper



Presented to First Author:

Shuming Chen, PhD

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

“Mechanisms regulating PD-L1 expression on tumor and immune cells”

Shuming Chen, George A. Crabill, Theresa S. Pritchard, Tracee L. McMiller, Ping Wei, Drew M. Pardoll, Fan Pan and Suzanne L. Topalian

Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer 2019, 7:305 (15 November 2019)

2020 SITC Abstract Travel Awards



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Hussein A. Abbas, MD, PhD
*The University of Texas MD
Anderson Cancer Center*



Xue Bai, MD
*Peking University Cancer Hospital
& MGH*

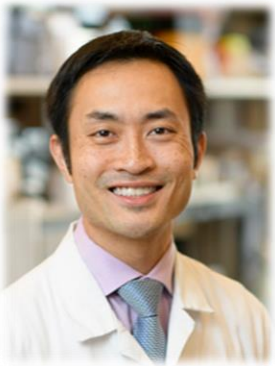


Todd Bartkowiak, PhD
Vanderbilt University



Isaac S. Chan, PhD
Johns Hopkins University

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Andrew Chow, MD, PhD
*Memorial Sloan Kettering
Cancer Center*



Diego de Miguel Perez, PhD
University of Maryland

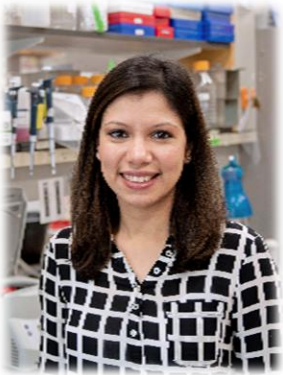


Diana Campbell DeLucia, PhD
*Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research
Center*

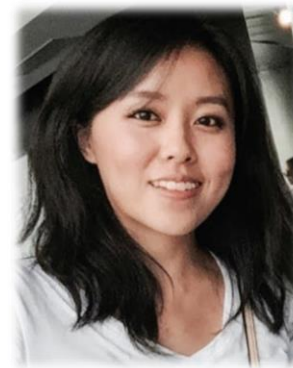


Kristen DePeaux
University of Pittsburgh

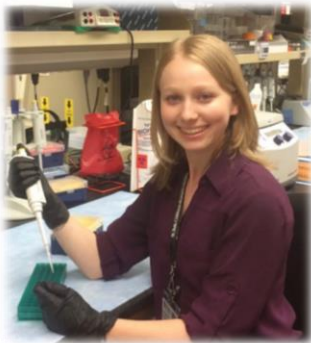
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Anushka Dongre, PhD
Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research



Ellen Duong
Koch Institute



Elizabeth A. R. Garfinkle
The University of Tennessee Health Science Center



Erica T. Goddard, PhD
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

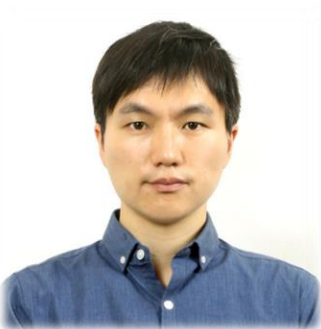
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Brendan L. Horton, PhD
Massachusetts Institute of Technology



Bryan Iorgulescu, MD, FCAP
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute



Peter Sanghyun Kim, PhD
*National Cancer Institute,
National Institutes of Health*



Dhiraj Kumar, PhD
*The University of Texas MD Anderson
Cancer Center*

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Roger Li, MD

H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center



Kyle B. Lupo

Purdue University



Abigail E. Overacre-Delgoffe, PhD

University of Pittsburgh



Kartik Sehgal, MD, PhD

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

2020 SITC Abstract Travel Awards



Fyza Y. Shaikh, MD, PhD
Johns Hopkins School of Medicine



Natasha D. Sheybani, PhD
University of Virginia



Alvaro Teijeira
CIMA (Center for Applied Medical Research) University of Navarre



Megan Tennant
Medical University of South Carolina

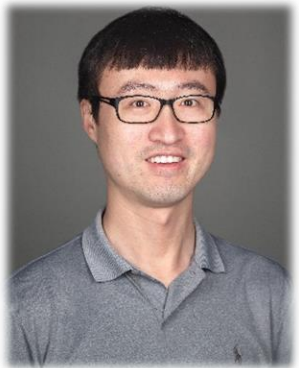
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Jonas Van Audenaerde, MSc
University of Antwerp



Paolo Dario Angelo Vignali
The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine



Wang Chao, PhD
H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center



McLane Watson
University of Pittsburgh

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Adam Widman, MD

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center



Michelle M. Williams, PhD

University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus



Yi-Ru Yu, MD

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

2020 SITC Presidential Travel Awards



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Defne Bayik, PhD
Cleveland Clinic



Emily Han-Chung Hsiue, MD
Johns Hopkins School of Medicine



Nils-Petter Rudqvist, PhD
*The University of Texas MD Anderson
Cancer Center*



Michal Sheffer, PhD
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

2020 SITC Fellowships



SITC-Bristol Myers Squibb Postdoctoral Cancer Immunotherapy Translational Fellowship



Li Qiang, PhD

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Harvard Medical School

“Signaling pathways in tumoricidal macrophages in pancreatic cancer”

SITC-Amgen Cancer Immunotherapy in Hematologic Malignancies Fellowship



Suman Paul, MBBS, PhD

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine

“T cell receptor variable gene targeting for T cell cancer immunotherapy”

SITC-AstraZeneca Immunotherapy in Lung Cancer Clinical Fellowship



Jacob Kaufman, MD, PhD
Duke University Medical Center

“Strategies to overcome immunotherapy resistance in LKB1 and KEAP/NRF2 mutated NSCLC: modulating ferroptosis to restore immune sensitivity”

SITC-Merck Cancer Immunotherapy Clinical Fellowship

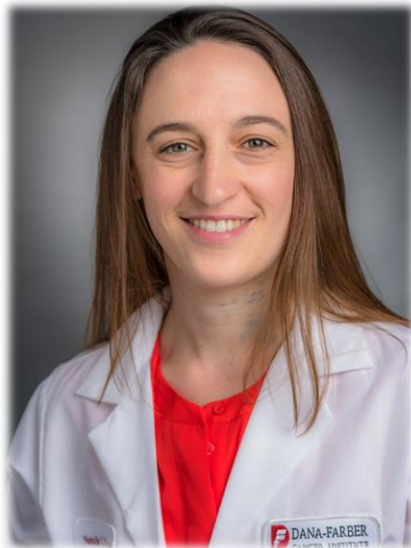


Joseph Clara, MD

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

“CRISPR-Cas9-based gene editing to enhance cytotoxicity of natural killer cells against multiple myeloma”

SITC-Genentech Women in Cancer Immunotherapy Fellowship



Natalie Vokes, MD

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

“Dissecting the molecular mediators of treatment response and resistance evolution in NSCLC”

SITC's Holbrook Kohrt, MD, PhD Cancer Immunotherapy Translational Memorial Fellowship (Sponsored by Genentech)



Kipp Weiskopf, MD, PhD

Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research

“Engaging macrophages to eliminate cancers with driver mutations”

2020 SITC Collaborative Awards



SITC-NanoString Technologies Spatial Profiling Award



Todd Triplett, PhD

University of Texas Dell Medical School

“Determining the interplay between T-ALL and the immune system in distinct organs by digital spatial profiling”

NCI Immunotherapy Fellowship

Co-Sponsored by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and SITC, made possible in part by an educational grant from EMD Serono. This 1-year program allows the fellow to have exposure to multiple clinical immunotherapeutic approaches and also to key opinion leaders in the field of clinical immunotherapy.

2020 Fellowship Recipient:



John Shin, MD
Mayo Clinic Rochester

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Announcing the 2021 Fellowship Recipient:



Nicholas Tschernia, MD

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2021 Cancer Immunotherapy Fellowship Opportunity



2021-2023 SITC-Bristol Myers Squibb Postdoctoral Cancer Immunotherapy Translational Fellowship Award

- \$200,000, two-year fellowship award
- July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023
- Submission opens January 2021

2021 SITC-Nektar Therapeutics Equity and Inclusion Fellowship Award in Cancer Immunotherapy

- \$50,000, one-year fellowship award
- July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022
- Submission opens January 2021

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2020 Richard V. Smalley, MD Memorial Award & Lectureship



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Lieping Chen, MD, PhD

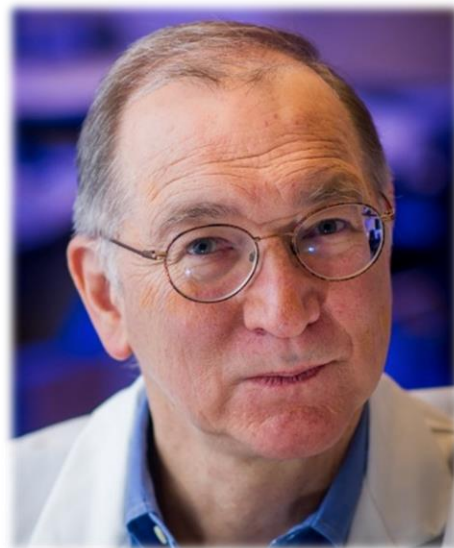
Yale Cancer Center

Richard V. Smalley, MD, Memorial Lectureship

Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. EST

Why were we interested in immunity within the tumor
microenvironment in the 1990s?

2020 Richard V. Smalley, MD Memorial Award & Lectureship



Gordon Freeman, PhD

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Richard V. Smalley, MD, Memorial Lectureship
Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m. EST
The PD-L1/PD-1 Pathway: Discovery and New Insights

2020 Richard V. Smalley, MD Memorial Award & Lectureship



Arlene Sharpe, MD, PhD

Harvard Medical School

Richard V. Smalley, MD, Memorial Lectureship
Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 10:30 a.m. EST
Discovery of New IO Targets and Mechanisms Leveraging
CRISPR

Congratulations to all of the SITC 2020 Award Recipients!

