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Inside Yale Cancer Center

May 4, 2018

## Announcements

### Abe Lopman Announces Retirement

After 10 years as Senior Vice President of Yale New Haven Hospital and Executive Director of Smilow Cancer Hospital, our dear friend and colleague, Abe Lopman, will retire in October. As you know, Abe's accomplishments on behalf of Smilow Cancer Hospital over the past decade are remarkable.

I first met Abe in 2009, when construction workers were fitting and installing the steel girders that would ultimately become Smilow Cancer Hospital.

Nonetheless, on that day in 2009, without a building in place, Abe conveyed a vision for an extraordinary, state-of-the art facility that would provide cutting-edge care and would soon become a world-class model of cancer care and cancer research. Indeed, Abe was truly the architect of our great Center. And through it all, Abe brought his good humor, his keen insight, and his commitment to collaboration and innovation to help us to achieve our mission.

Abe's leadership and vision was also instrumental in the development and expansion of our Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center Network, beginning with the first integration of six sites and 18 oncologists in 2012, and expanding to the 12 locations and 48 providers we have available today to cancer patients and their families throughout Connecticut. Our ability to bring Smilow quality care closer to patients throughout Connecticut will continue to flourish based on Abe's foresight and planning and with the continued support of our leadership team.



*from the desk of*  
**Charles S. Fuchs, MD, MPH**  
Director, Yale Cancer Center  
and Physician-in-Chief  
Smilow Cancer Hospital

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Over the coming months, we will have several opportunities to celebrate Abe's successes and express our great appreciation for his leadership and support of Smilow Cancer Hospital. Please join me in thanking Abe for his dedicated leadership and friendship during his tenure at Smilow.

### **Yale Cancer Center Retreat**

Please join us for the 2018 Yale Cancer Center Annual Scientific Retreat: A Shared Vision Toward the Conquest of Cancer on Wednesday, May 16th, 2018. This full day event will be held at Yale's West Campus Conference Center, with a keynote address by Dr. Richard Flavell, as well as a Disease Aligned Research Team (DART) networking session. Please coordinate your schedule to plan to attend from 8am to 4pm.

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### **Medical Oncology Retreat**

Our faculty from the section of medical oncology recently gathered at the Saybrook Point Inn for two days of presentations and discussion. Thank you to the entire team for your time and candid feedback during our two days together. Roy and I will continue to follow up on the action items presented throughout the year, and look forward to continued discussion and input from each of our faculty members.



### **Notables**

**Akiko Iwasaki, PhD, Haifan Lin, PhD, and David G. Schatz, PhD,** have been elected to the **National Academy of Sciences (NAS)**, for their outstanding research achievements. **Dr. Iwasaki** is Waldemar Von Zedwitz Professor of Immunobiology and Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology; and a Howard Hughes Medical Institute investigator. Her research focuses on the mechanisms of immune defense against viruses at mucosal surfaces. **Dr. Lin** is Eugene

**Disparities found in lung cancer care, survival in U.S. versus England**

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**'Desperation Oncology': When Patients Are Dying, Some Cancer Doctors Turn to Immunotherapy**

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**Lieping Chen, MD, PhD**  
**Selected as one of this Year's Giants in Cancer Care by OncLive**

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Radio show provides cancer coverage  
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Higgins Professor of Cell Biology and professor of genetics and of obstetrics, gynecology, and reproductive sciences. He joined Yale in 2006 as the founding director of the Yale Stem Cell Center. **Dr. Schatz** is Waldemar Von Zedtwitz Professor of Immunobiology, professor of molecular biophysics and biochemistry, and chair of the Department of Immunobiology.

**Susan Baserga, MD, PhD**, a member of Yale Cancer Center's Genetics, Genomics, and Epigenetics Research Program, was one of 50 state women honored at the **14th annual Connecticut Technology Council Women of Innovation® Awards** dinner March 28. Dr. Baserga, Professor of Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, Genetics and Therapeutic Radiology, was one of two winners of the Research Innovation and Leadership category. She was recognized for her investigation of the molecular basis for the formation of ribosomes, the cell's protein-making machinery - and origins of human diseases known as ribosomopathies.

Yale had an outstanding presence at the **Combined Otolaryngology Spring Meetings** (COSM), including awards for Best Papers of American Head and Neck Society 2018 by **Tejas Sathe** and **Elliot Morse** and Best Poster for work on HPV+ HNSCC by **Drew Sewell**. In addition, **Dr. Eiji Yanagisawa** received a special recognition award from the American Laryngological Association.

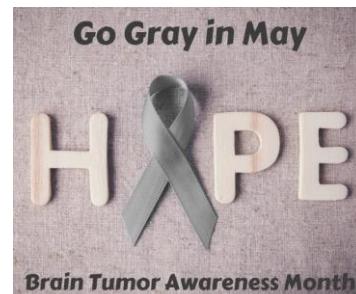
Poster presentations included:

- *National variations in salivary gland cancers and the role of institutional volume on costs and complication rates* by **Rance Fujiwara**
- *Positive Surgical Margins in Major Salivary Gland Cancer* by **Elliot Morse**
- *Treatment Delays in Oropharyngeal Cancer Treated with Primary Radiation: Establishment of National Benchmarks and Association with Survival* by **Elliot Morse**
- *Going Global: Interest in Global Health among US Otolaryngology Residents* by **Julia Toman**

The following oral presentations were made:

- *National variations in fibula free flaps and the role of institutional volume on costs and complication rates* by **Rance Fujiwara**
- *Patterns of Loss of Venous Flow in Head and Neck Microvascular Surgery with Double Venous Anastomoses* by **Elliot Morse**
- *The addition of chemotherapy to the adjuvant therapy of late-stage salivary squamous cell carcinoma is associated with improved patient survival* by **Shayan Cheraghlo**
- *Delays During Treatment for Laryngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma: An Analysis of the National Cancer Database* by **Elliot Morse**

May is Brain Tumor Awareness Month. In 2018, there will be almost 24,000 new cases of brain cancer in the United States, with an estimated 16,000 deaths from this disease, but with greater awareness and research, there is hope that we will find better treatments, and ultimately a cure.



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In honor of Brain Tumor Awareness Month, meet Kaitlin, a brain cancer survivor. Soon after her daughter was born, Kaitlin noticed she had a lack of energy, headaches, and other abnormal symptoms, and an MRI found that she had a tumor the size of an orange in her brain. She was immediately referred to Dr. Jennifer Moliterno Gunel, a neurosurgeon who specializes in the surgical treatment of brain tumors at Smilow Cancer Hospital.



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- *The role of TRAF3/CYLD mutations in the etiology of human papillomavirus-driven cancers of the head and neck by Tejas Sathe*
- *Treatment Delays in Primarily-Resected Oropharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma: An Analysis of the National Cancer Database by Elliot Morse*
- *Mandibular Reconstruction with the Tip of Scapula Free Flap by Jeff Blumberg, MD*
- *Anatomic Considerations for a Posterior Endoscopic Approach to the Cricoarytenoid Joint by Michael Lerner, MD*

## #OOTB Thanks Barbara Lumpkin

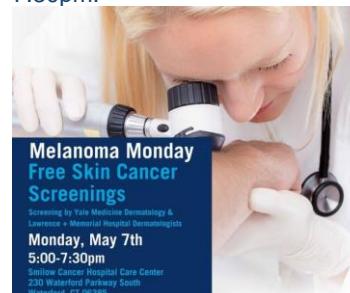
YCC #OUTOFTHEBLUETHANKS recently recognized senior administrative assistant Barbara Lumpkin after she sprang into action to cover for her colleagues who were unexpectedly out of the office one recent morning. Barbara juggled numerous guests for multiple meetings, making sure everyone got where they needed to go. She did a phenomenal job managing a very hectic morning. Thank you, Barbara, for your valued efforts!



Kevin Vest and Richard Carr with Barbara Lumpkin

Nearly 9,500 people in the United States are diagnosed with skin cancer every day, and an estimated 1 in 5 Americans will develop skin cancer in the lifetime. However, the five-year survival rate for melanoma when detected and treated in its early stages is 98%.

That's why the Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center in Waterford is hosting Melanoma Monday Free Skin Cancer Screenings, on Monday, May 7th from 5:00-7:30pm.



**Melanoma Monday  
Free Skin Cancer  
Screenings**  
Screening by Yale Medicine Dermatology & Lawrence + Memorial Hospital Dermatologists  
Monday, May 7th  
5:00-7:30pm  
Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center  
220 Waterford Parkway South  
Waterford, CT 06385

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Calling all potential young cancer fighters-apply to the CROY (Cancer Research Opportunities for Youth) program at Yale Cancer Center! CROY is a new initiative meant to provide aspiring young scientists from the New Haven community an opportunity to embed themselves within research teams engaged in all aspects of cancer research over the course of two summers. This is a unique opportunity to take advantage of a world class research institution in your own backyard!

*Yale Cancer Center'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. All nominations should be submitted to the Director's Office c/o [Anna Raso](#)*

## Employee Profile: Alison Tray

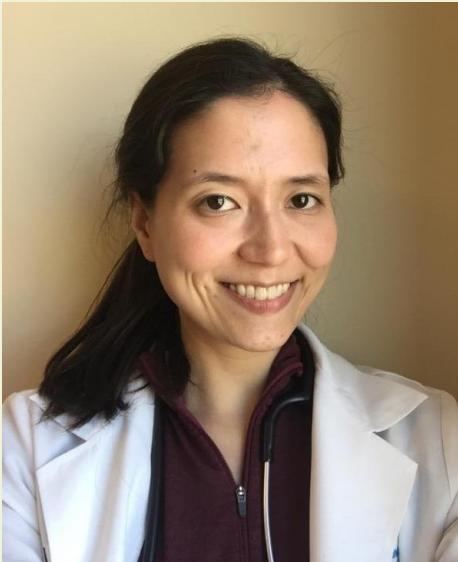
As one of nine Advanced Practice Providers (APP) on her team, Alison Tray serves as the Lead Inpatient APP on the hematology and oncology floors at Smilow. Acting as a "team captain" for her fellow APPs, she serves as an advocate and leader for her group.

Beginning in January, Alison organized a multidisciplinary monthly teaching series open to nurses, PCAs, residents, interns and other APPs covering topics on how to facilitate end-of-life conversations, how to manage side effects of immunotherapy, as well as self-care techniques for providers and caregivers. Alison is currently working with the pharmacy department on a weekly teaching series on chemotherapy and biotherapy set to begin next month on North Pavilion 12 (NP12).

Alison's manager, Vanna Dest, MSN, APRN, BC, AOCN, applauds her leadership abilities, "Alison was appointed to the Lead APP position on her team in April 2017, and has provided support and leadership to her colleagues while fostering team building. She is a great asset to Smilow, her team, and the patients she cares for."

When Alison first joined Smilow as an oncology nurse, she knew she wanted to take the next step and become a nurse practitioner. She attended the Yale School of Nursing through their accelerated program and graduated with her Master's degree. During her time in this program, she worked in thoracic surgery, but missed medical oncology and she returned to NP 12.

In addition to leading her inpatient team, establishing learning opportunities for her colleagues in the North Pavilion, and acting as a clinical instructor for students, patients remain the central part of Alison's day. Working 12-hour shifts, relationships are easily formed



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Ryan Penney, pictured with Dr. Debra Brandt, is a sophomore at Simsbury High School who has spent his time raising support through private donations, Amazon Smile, and aluminum can recycling for the purchase of iPads for the Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Center at Torrington.



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Last month, the FDA announced that they would again allow 23andMe, a direct-to-consumer genetic testing company, to start offering testing for mutations in the BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes known to increase the risk for breast, ovarian, and prostate cancer, without the involvement of a healthcare provider. This may raise questions among consumers and their healthcare providers.

with the patients on the floors she covers (11, 12, 14, 15). She performs procedures, facilitates family meetings, coordinates with palliative care, and attends to the day-to-day needs of the inpatient population. In the inpatient setting she has the privilege of working with individuals who are in all stages of their cancer journey from newly diagnosed, to those getting treatment, to patients who are transitioning to hospice care. But, as Alison says, it is the best part of her job.

"You get to have a high impact in a short but often critical period of time," she says. "Everyone who enters that patient's room makes a difference in that patient's experience, from the attending to the nurse to the PCA to the environmental service worker. With the sea of white coats and uniforms that float through, we know that a patient may not remember all our names, but we hope they remember how we made them feel; cared for and supported."

## Funding Opportunities

### Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Bridge Funding Award

Bridge Funding allows researchers to produce data needed to substantiate their proposal resubmission to federal funding agencies for a promising new research project.

**Application Deadline:** May 10, 2018

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### Brain Tumor Funders' Collaborative Funding Opportunity: Immunotherapy for Primary Human Brain Tumors

The BTFC is requesting proposals on the role of the neuro-immune system in the origin and progression of the immune responses in primary human brain tumors with the hope of developing immunotherapies for treatment of these tumors in patients.

**Application Deadline:** May 11, 2018

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### Yale Cancer Innovation Awards

YCC is requesting individual or team proposals for projects that have direct relevance to cancer research. This program is designed to support projects with the potential to significantly impact our understanding of and/or approaches to the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of cancer.

**Notification of Intent:** May 21, 2018

**Application Deadline:** June 18, 2018

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In March, the FDA announced that they would again allow 23andMe to start offering testing for mutations in the *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* genes known to increase the risk for breast, ovarian, and prostate cancer without the involvement of a healthcare provider.

Our team of experts wants to help.  
[www.yalecancercenter.org/patient/specialty/genetics/](http://www.yalecancercenter.org/patient/specialty/genetics/)

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May is bladder cancer awareness month. #DYK that bladder cancer is the 4th most common cancer in men and 8th most common cancer in women?



Ceremony at the historical library @Yale@YaleMed tonight to honor YSM scientists Akiko Iwasaki, Haifan Lin and David Schatz for election today to the national Academy of Sciences @NASciences . All are members of the Yale Cancer Center @YaleCancer@YNHH Congratulations!



May is #BrainTumorAwarenessMonth . In 2018, there will be almost 24,000 new cases of brain cancer in the U.S. With greater awareness and research, there is hope that we will find better treatments, and ultimately a cure.

## **Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation Research Fellow Award Program**

The MMRF seeks proposals for the 2018 Research Fellow Award Program, an initiative supporting researchers at the post-doctorate/medical fellow or junior faculty levels working under the supervision or guidance of a research mentor in the multiple myeloma field.

**Application Deadline:** May 25, 2018

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 YCC faculty, residents and students were well represented at @\_COSM 2018. Along with presenting the latest research, Dr. Drew Sewell was awarded Best Poster for work on HPV+ HNSCC. Congratulations!

## **The Mark Foundation for Cancer Research Emerging Leader Awards**

These signature three-year academic grants totaling \$750,000 will provide support to early career investigators conducting high-risk, high-impact cancer research.

**Letters of Intent Due:** June 4, 2018

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 Our Head and Neck Cancers team is giving free #cancer screenings tonight at the New London Community Meal Center to close out April

## **Pew-Stewart Scholars Program for Cancer Research**

Yale Cancer Center is pleased to announce the internal competition for the Pew-Stewart Scholars for Cancer Research Program. The Program supports assistant professors of outstanding promise in science relevant to the advancement of a cure for cancer.

**Deadline for Applications:** June 5, 2018

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 Tune in to Yale Cancer Answers tonight at 7:30pm on @wnpr to hear Dr. Preston Sprenkle review the latest information on the diagnosis and treatment of testicular cancer

## **Epidemiologic Research on Emerging Risk Factors and Liver Cancer Susceptibility - R01**

The purpose of this FOA is to promote epidemiologic research investigating novel and innovative hypotheses on emerging risk factors and their interplay with established risk factors associated with the development of liver cancer in the United States.

**Application Deadline:** June 5, 2018

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 CEO @mctorrey on air with @MetroHartford's Brian Boyer discussing Connecticut's global innovation and the 2018 Luminary Award with Dr. Charles Fuchs @YaleCancer & #Luminary2018 Hon Chair Louis Chenevert. Stay tuned for the Pulse of the Region show airing this Saturday!

 Listen to @CharlesFuchsMD on CT radio stations during the times below to hear about Yale Cancer Center receiving the 2018 @ctwac Luminary award!

## **NIH Integration of Imaging and Fluid-Based Tumor Monitoring in Cancer Therapy-R01**

This FOA seeks research project (R01) grant applications describing projects that integrate imaging and fluid-based tumor monitoring (liquid biopsy) assays during cancer therapy in patients to determine the optimal use of those modalities.

**Application Deadline:** June 5, 2018

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 Important information presented tonight by @YaleCancer's Elena Ratner and Barbara Burtness on the impact of #HPV on #cervicalcancer and #headandneckcancers

 Congrats to Lieping Chen, MD, PhD, co-director of the

### **NIH End-of-Life and Palliative Care Health Literacy: Improving Outcomes in Serious, Advanced Illness-R01/R21**

This FOA seeks to stimulate research focused on identification of the key barriers to effective end-of-life and palliative care (EOLPC) health literacy in diverse settings and populations.

**Application Deadline:** June 5, 2018

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### **NIH Biology of Lung, and Head and Neck Preneoplasias-R01/R21**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) seeks applications investigating mechanistic and biological aspects of preneoplasia leading to lung, and head and neck (HN) cancers.

**Application Deadline:** June 5, 2018

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### **NIH Food Specific Molecular Profiles and Biomarkers of Food and Nutrient Intake, and Dietary Exposure-R01**

The purpose of this FOA is to promote research on food specific molecular signatures and biomarkers of dietary consumption and to promote collaborative interactions among NIH and the USDA-NIFA supported nutrition researchers.

**Application Deadline:** June 11, 2018

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### **U.S. Tobacco Control Policies to Reduce Health Disparities - R21 and R01**

The purpose of this FOA is to support observational or intervention research focused on reducing health disparities in tobacco use in the United States.

**Application Deadline:** June 13, 2018

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### **Epidemiologic Research on Emerging Risk Factors and Liver Cancer Susceptibility - R21**

The purpose of this FOA is to promote epidemiologic research investigating novel and innovative hypotheses on emerging risk factors and their interplay with established risk factors associated with the development of liver cancer in the United States.

**Application Deadline:** June 16, 2018

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Cancer Immunology Program at Yale Cancer Center. Dr. Chen has been selected as one of this year's Giants in Cancer Care by OncLive for advancing the field of oncology!

 In a .@nytimes article debating the use of #Immunotherapy on patients dying of cancer, @DanielPetrylak asks, "how can you ethically deny this to patients?"

 It's Testicular Cancer Awareness Month: Testicular cancer is the most common cancer among men, ages 15-34, but it's also highly treatable. Brian Shuch, MD, shares some tips on how to stay ahead of it.

 Dr. Charles Fuchs, .@politikaterina, and Mr. Richard Gelb at @AACR and @AACI\_Cancer Hill Day today in DC advocating for #cancer research and support from our legislature.

 Dr Francine Foss from @YaleCancer will be at the @UKCLG annual meeting, 3 May in Newcastle Upon Tyne to discuss #Tcell#lymphomas.

## **Calendar**

**Yale Climate Day**

**May 4; 9AM**

Peabody Museum

A Campuswide Climate Summit

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**Pathology Special Seminar**

### **NIH Exploratory Grants in Cancer Epidemiology and Genomics Research-R21**

This FOA invites applications for research on cancer epidemiology, genomics, and risk assessment.

**Application Deadline:** June 16, 2018

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### **NIH Diet and Physical Activity Assessment Methodology-R21**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages innovative research to enhance the quality of measurements of dietary intake and physical activity.

**Application Deadline:** June 16, 2018

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### **NIH Exploratory Grant Award to Promote Workforce Diversity in Basic Cancer Research-R21**

This FOA represents the continuation of an NCI program to enhance the diversity of the pool of the cancer research workforce.

**Application Deadline:** June 19, 2018

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### **Research Answers to NCI's Provocative Questions - R21 and R01**

The purpose of this FOA is to support research projects designed to solve specific problems and paradoxes in cancer research identified by the NCI Provocative Questions initiative.

**Application Deadline:** June 29, 2018

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### **Robert E. Leet and Clara Guthrie Patterson Trust Mentored Research Award: Clinical, Health Services and Policy Research**

Two-year Awards of \$90,000 (\$45,000 per year) will be awarded to applicants working in Connecticut, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

**Application Deadline:** July 3, 2018

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## **Recent Publications**

### **Therapeutic Potential of Gene-Modified Regulatory T Cells: From**

**May 4; 2PM**

BML 137

*Sentinel Lymph Nodes in the Era of Z0011: How Do We Compare?*

Olivia L Snir, MD

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### **Immunobiology Research in Progress Seminar**

**May 4; 3:30PM**

Hope 110

*Christopher Guzman and Mei El Gindi*

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### **Smilow Screening & Prevention Informational Table**

**May 5; 9AM**

Savin Rock Trail

*2018 Greater New Haven Heart Walk*

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### **Yale Cancer Answers**

**May 6; 7:30PM**

WNPR

*Cancer Survivorship*

Tara Sanft, MD

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### **Epigenetics Interest Group Meeting**

**May 7; 12PM**

BCMM 206/208

*Intergenerational Epigenetic Inheritance of Cancer Susceptibility in Mammals*

Bluma Lesch, MD, PhD

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### **Genetics Seminar**

**May 7; 4:30PM**

Hope 216

## **Automated diagnosis of colon cancer using hyperspectral sensing.**

Beaulieu RJ, Goldstein SD, Singh J, Safar B, Banerjee A, Ahuja N. Int J Med Robot. 2018 Jun;14(3):e1897

[Read More >>](#)

## **Treatment with epigenetic agents profoundly inhibits tumor growth in leiomyosarcoma**

Cynthia De Carvalho Fischer, Yue Hu, Michael Morreale, Wan Ying Lin, Akhil Wali, Maya Thakar, Enusha Karunasena, Rupashree Sen, Yi Cai, Lauren Murphy, Cynthia A. Zahnow, Harold Keer, Manjusha Thakar, Nita Ahuja. Oncotarget. 2018; 9:19379-19395.

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## **A multi-center Phase 1 trial of ipilimumab in myelodysplastic syndrome patients following hypomethylating agent failure.**

Zeidan AM, Knaus HA, Robinson TM, Towleron AM, Warren EH, Zeidner JF, Blackford AL, Duffield AS, Rizzieri D, Frattini MG, Levy YM, Schroeder MA, Ferguson A, Sheldon KE, DeZern AE, Gojo I, Gore SD, Streicher H, Luznik L, Smith BD.

Clin Cancer Res. 2018 May 1.

[Read More >>](#)

## **Spontaneous regionalization of esophageal cancer surgery: an analysis of the National CancerDatabase.**

Arnold BN, Chiu AS, Hoag JR, Kim CH, Salazar MC, Blasberg JD, Boffa DJ.

J Thorac Dis. 2018 Mar;10(3):1721-1731.

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## **Factors associated with falls in older adults with cancer: a validated model from the Cancer and Aging Research Group.**

Wildes TM, Maggiore RJ, Tew WP, Smith D, Sun CL, Cohen H, Mohile SG, Gajra A, Klepin HD, Owusu C, Gross CP, Muss H, Chapman A, Lichtman SM, Katheria V, Hurria A; Cancer and Aging Research Group.

Support Care Cancer. 2018 Apr 28.

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## **Clustering multilayer omics data using MuNCut.**

Teran Hidalgo SJ, Ma S.

BMC Genomics. 2018 Mar 14;19(1):198.

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*Genetic Dissection of Size and Growth Control in Development and Cancers*

Tian Xu, PhD

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## **Skin Cancer Screenings for Melanoma Monday**

**May 7; 5PM**

Smilow Cancer Care - Waterford

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## **Pathology Research in Progress Talk**

**May 8; 9:30AM**

TAC N-107

TBA

*Judit Jimenez Sainz, PhD*

*Study of Breast Cancer Heterogeneity by Single-cell Transcriptomic Analyses*

Lok Hei Chan

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## **YCC Grand Rounds**

**May 8; 12PM**

55 Park Street

*State of the School*

Robert Alpern, MD

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## **YCC Celebratory Symposium/Ruth McCorkle Retirement**

**May 8; 2PM**

West Campus-Moore Classroom

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## **Smilow Oncology Nursing Seminar**

**May 8; 5PM**

55 Park Street

*The Shift: One Nurse, Twelve Hours, Four Patients' Lives*

## **Quality Versus Quantity: The Potential Impact of Public Reporting of Hospital Safety for Complex Cancer Surgery.**

Chiu AS, Arnold BN, Hoag JR, Herrin J, Kim CH, Salazar MC, Monsalve AF, Jean RA, Blasberg JD, Detterbeck FC, Gross CP, Boffa DJ.

Ann Surg. 2018 Apr 24.

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## **Treatment of refractory germ cell tumors in children with paclitaxel, ifosfamide, and carboplatin: A report from the Children's Oncology Group AGCT0521 study.**

Pashankar F, Frazier AL, Kralo M, Xia C, Pappo AS, Malogolowkin M, Olson TA, Rodriguez-Galindo C.

Pediatr Blood Cancer. 2018 Apr 26:e27111.

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## **Physician peer group characteristics and timeliness of breast cancer surgery.**

Bachand J, Soulou PR, Herrin J, Pollack CE, Xu X, Ma X, Gross CP. Breast Cancer Res Treat. 2018 Apr 24.

[Read More >>](#)

## **Pediatric Salivary Cancer: Epidemiology, Treatment Trends, and Association of Treatment Modality with Survival.**

Morse E, Fujiwara RJT, Husain Z, Judson B, Mehra S.

Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg. 2018 Apr 1:194599818771926.

[Read More >>](#)

## **Hypomethylating agents in relapsed and refractory AML: outcomes and their predictors in a large international patient cohort.**

Stahl M, DeVeaux M, Montesinos P, Itzykson R, Ritchie EK, Sekeres MA, Barnard JD, Podoltsev NA, Brunner AM, Komrokji RS, Bhatt VR, Al-Kali A, Cluzeau T, Santini V, Fathi AT, Roboz GJ, Fenaux P, Litzow MR, Perreault S, Kim TK, Prebet T, Vey N, Verma V, Germing U, Bergua JM, Serrano J, Gore SD, Zeidan AM.

Blood Adv. 2018 Apr 24;2(8):923-932.

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## **Neutral theory and the somatic evolution of cancer.**

Cannataro VL, Townsend JP.

Mol Biol Evol. 2018 Apr 19.

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Theresa Brown, PhD, BSN, RN

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## **Smilow Oncology Nursing Grand Rounds**

**May 9; 12PM**

55 Park Street

*Nurses Matter: What the 'Most Trusted' Profession Means*

Theresa Brown, PhD, BSN, RN

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## **Laboratory Medicine Research Seminar**

**May 9; 12PM**

CB 401

*TGF $\beta$  Signaling in Vascular Development*

Georgia Zarkada, MD, PhD

*Role of RBMS-MKL1 in Acute Megakaryocytic Leukemia With the t(1;22) (P13;q13)*

Nadia Ayala-Lopez, PhD, MT

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## **Pathology Grand Rounds**

**May 10; 12:30PM**

LMP 1094

*Therapeutic Applications of VEGF Inhibitors: Progress and Challenges*

Napoleone Ferrara, MD

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## **Smilow Cancer Genetics and Prevention Program Seminar**

**May 10; 2:30PM**

SRC, suites 107-109

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## **31st Annual Farr Lecture**

**May 10; 4:30PM**

TAC N-107

**Leukemic Optic Nerve Infiltration Responds to Radiation and Blinatumomab.**

Verter E, Yang A, Lim RP.

Ophthalmology. 2018 May;125(5):746.

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*The Future of Immunotherapy:  
Reprogramming the Tumor  
Microenvironment*

Laurie H. Glimcher, MD

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**Surgery Grand Rounds**

**May 11; 7:30AM**

FMP1094

*Update on The Management  
of Prostate Cancer*

Preston Sprenkle, MD

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**Clinical Neuroscience  
Grand Rounds**

**May 11; 8AM**

Cohen Auditorium

*From Genomics to Care for  
Brain Tumor*

Gelareh Zadeh, MD, PhD,  
FRCSC

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**Clinical Neuroscience  
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Cohen Auditorium

*From Genomics to Care for  
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Gelareh Zadeh, MD, PhD,  
FRCS

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**2nd Biennial Conference of  
the China Health Policy and  
Management Society  
(CHPAMS)/Day 1**

**May 11; 8:30**

YSPH

*Advances in Health Policy and  
Healthcare: The Road Ahead*

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**Hematology Research  
Seminar**

**May 11; 12PM**

Brady Auditorium

*Myeloma Clinical Trial  
Experience at Yale: Past,  
Present, and Future*

Terri Parker, MD

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**SCH/YCC Free Head and  
Neck Cancer Screenings**

**May 11; 3PM**

YNHH, cafe

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**Spring Concert of the Yale  
Medical Symphony  
Orchestra**

**May 11; 7PM**

Harkness Auditorium

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**2nd Biennial Conference of  
the China Health Policy and  
Management Society  
(CHPAMS)/Day 2**

**May 12; 8:30**

Henry R. Luce Hall

*Advances in Health Policy and  
Healthcare: The Road Ahead*

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**Smilow Screening &  
Prevention Informational  
Table**

**May 12; 10AM**

Stetson Branch Library

*2018 Yale SNMA-LMSA  
Community Health Fair*

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**Yale Cancer Answers**

**May 13; 7:30PM**

WNPR

*Skin Safety and Melanoma  
Treatment*

Dale Han, MD

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**Yale PET Center Seminar**

**May 14; 3PM**

Brady Auditorium

*ImmunoPET: Engineered antibodies for non-invasive profiling of tumors and immune responses*

Anna M Wu, PhD

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**MB&B Seminar**

**May 14; 4PM**

Hope 110

*Resolution of Topoisomerase 2 DNA-protein Crosslinks*

Scott Williams, PhD

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**Pathology Research in Progress Talks**

**May 15; 9:30AM**

TAC N-107

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**YCC Grand Rounds/Schnog Lecture**

**May 15; 12PM**

55 Park Street

*Targeting Cancer-Specific Vulnerabilities*

Ronald DePinho, MD

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**YCC Annual Retreat**

**May 16; 8AM**

Yale's West Campus

*A Shared Vision Towards the Conquest of Cancer*

Richard A Flavell, PhD, FRS

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**Rheumatology Grand Rounds**

**May 16; 8AM**

TAC N-203

*Immune-related Adverse Events of Oncologic Immunotherapy: Checkpoint and Checkmate*

David N Podell, MD, PhD,  
MACP, FACP

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**2018 Medical Education (Med Ed) Day at Yale**

**May 16; 12PM**

TAC N-107

*Evolving Concepts in Learner Assessment: An Evidence Based Approach*

Edward M. Hundert, MD

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**Smilow Screening & Prevention Informational Table**

**May 17; 9AM**

*New Haven City Hall  
City of New Haven Employee Health and Wellness Fair*

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**Pathology Grand Rounds**

**May 17; 12:30PM**

LMP 1094

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**Pharmacology Seminar Series**

**May 17; 12:30PM**

Brady Auditorium

*Found in Translation: How Preclinical Studies are Guiding Clinical Development of the BCL-2 Inhibitor Venetoclax*

Joel Levenson, PhD

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**Smilow Cancer Genetics and Prevention Program Seminar**

**May 17; 2:30PM**

SRC, suites 107-109

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**Cellular & Molecular  
Physiology Seminar Series**

**May 17; 4PM**

SHM B-145

*Cancer-Induced Thrombosis  
and Cardiovascular Disease:  
Leads to New Mechanisms*

Katya Ravid, PhD

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**Smilow Wellness Workshop**

**May 17; 5:30PM**

55 Park Street

*Sound Therapy-Music of the  
mind and body*

Beth Patella

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Resource (BSR)**

Drop-In Office Hours  
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**Biostatistics**

Dr. Wei Wei

Thursdays - 9am-1pm

Fridays - 9am-5pm

**Bioinformatics**

Drs. Yong Kong and Ying Zhu

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