

September 9, 2022

### From Eric's Desk

Sadly, the summer months have come to an abrupt end. No doubt there will be warm days ahead, but the quiet streets are bustling with students, there is a noticeable chill in the air, and the ease of July and August have faded. In truth, the relaxation of the summer months was not something I was used to at Dana-Farber, but YCC and Smilow are far more integrated into the overall fabric of the university and a university town. And I, for one, have come to relish and appreciate that integration.

We have our work ahead of us. As we build and expand our clinical and research programs, there is a seemingly endless list of “to dos.” Program building requires dedication, creativity, and recruitment. Our goal is to develop destination clinical programs, the very best clinical trials that will transform care, while simultaneously growing our research enterprise. In just a few short months, the clinical trials infrastructure has started down a road to recovery and we are once again enrolling significantly greater numbers of patients on trials. It is incredible what has been accomplished with attention to detail, collaboration, a positive outlook, and....RESOURCES. I predict that the Clinical Trials Office will thrive in new and remarkable ways in the months ahead.

We are also set to tackle our Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG) renewal over the next year. The CCSG or Core Grant will require a significant investment of time and “collaboration capital.” I have little doubt we will be successful, and the grant is already taking shape.

In the months ahead, we will be talking more and more about the need for full integration across all Smilow sites. This integration will involve clinical programs and will also have a significant impact on our ability to enroll patients on clinical trials throughout the system. Over the next two years we will institute a model of sub-speciality care (e.g., GI oncologists taking care of GI patients) across the system. This approach will not only ensure the highest quality clinical care, but it will also maximize our ability to enroll patients on trials.

In conjunction with our resubmission of the CCSG, we are also going to take major steps to address cancer care disparities throughout our catchment area—the State of Connecticut. This effort will be complex and for many, all consuming, but it is time for Yale to address the huge disparities in cancer outcomes that exist in our own state. We will be discussing this initiative more in the months ahead.

**Eric P. Winer, MD**

Director, Yale Cancer Center

Physician-in-Chief, Smilow Cancer Network

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Finally, the end of the summer also coincides with the Closer to Free Ride this weekend. I will be out of town and cannot join you all to ride in person, but I signed up and completed a 40 mile route with my oldest son 2 weeks ago. Although we did not have the other riders next to us, we sported the Closer to Free bike jerseys and rode in honor of our patients, their families, and the critical research that the ride supports. I will be thinking of all of you riding, volunteering, and cheering this weekend.

So, the summer has come to an end, but the excitement at YCC/Smilow is just beginning. In November, I will provide a “State of the Cancer Center” update with more details. In the meantime, please know that I am so happy to be at Yale, working with all of you, and setting—with you—our sights high on the progress that we will make together.

Eric

## Announcements

### Layla Van Doren, MD, MBA, Joins Sickle Cell Program

Layla Van Doren, MD, MBA, has been named an Assistant Professor of Medicine (Hematology) and will care for patients with sickle cell disease and patients with bleeding and clotting disorders at Smilow Cancer Hospital beginning in October. Dr. Van Doren received her medical degree from the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and completed her residency at the University of Southern California. She went on to complete a hematology & oncology fellowship at Tufts Medical Center where she served as chief fellow. She also received an MBA in Healthcare Administration from Loma Linda University.



Prior to joining Yale, Dr. Van Doren was an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Hematology & Oncology at the Herbert Irving Cancer Center. Her clinical practice focused on the diagnosis and management of bleeding and clotting disorders, with a special emphasis in women’s health. She is also an expert in difficult-to-manage blood disorders. As a research fellow in the lab of Lidija Covic, PhD, Dr. Van Doren established a mechanistic framework and validated the pathophysiologic and therapeutic relevance of the lipid receptor GPR31 during PAR4-depedant platelet activation.

### Center for Breast Cancer Welcomes Haripriya Ayyala, MD

Haripriya Ayyala, MD, has been named an Assistant Professor of Surgery (Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery) and cares for patients as part of the Center for Breast

Cancer at Smilow Cancer Hospital and Yale Cancer Center. Dr. Ayyala graduated Alpha Omega Alpha from George



## How a CT Surgeon Reversed Cancerous Vertebra by Going Through the Throat of a Patient who Didn't Think She was Going to Survive



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## Greenwich Hospital President (opinion): Cancer Center Answers Needs of Community



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## Childhood Cancer Awareness Q&A with Asher Marks, MD

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Asher Marks, MD  
Associate Professor of Pediatrics  
(Hematology/Oncology)

"Having a child with cancer is one of the scariest and isolating things in the world. Nobody can know what you're feeling, but please know that our team is here to support not only your child, but the entire family in this traumatic experience."

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## Obesity On-the-Rise, Linked to Cancer in U.S.

Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and completed her residency in plastic surgery at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School. She completed a fellowship in reconstructive microsurgery at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.



Dr. Ayyala's clinical interests include post-oncologic reconstruction focusing on microsurgical techniques. Her research interests include the evaluation of outcomes after complex reconstruction, innovation in microsurgery, and operative efficiency. She is a proponent of longitudinal mentorship, is committed to surgical education, and serves on multiple national committees.

### Smilow Shares with Primary Care

Please join us for a lecture series the first Tuesday of each month at 5pm focused on primary care perspectives on cancer and hematology. Each presentation includes a panel of primary care and Smilow Cancer Hospital physicians, and presents updated recommendations and approaches to patient care related to oncology and hematology using dynamic case-based discussions. Kevin Billingsley, MD, MBA, Anne Chiang, MD, Karen Brown, MD, and Ryan O'Connell, MD are course directors for the series.

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### Smilow Supportive Care Access Program

Patients at Smilow Cancer Hospital and the Smilow Cancer Hospital Care Centers have access to a breadth of Supportive Care resources to assist them throughout their cancer journeys. However, until recently, access to these programs may have been challenging for many patients and their providers. The Smilow Supportive Care Access Program aims to improve access to comprehensive supportive care services for all Smilow patients. Trained non-clinical Referral Coordinators are available on-site at Smilow's Patient and Family Resource Center to best assist patients and family members in education and advocacy for referrals to our wide variety of supportive care programs (for example Integrative Medicine, Palliative Care, Spiritual Care, Nutrition, and many others.)

Patients, their families, and medical providers may also access the Supportive Care Navigation Team Referral Coordinators via our online [website](#), by emailing [SmilowSupportiveCare@ynhh.org](mailto:SmilowSupportiveCare@ynhh.org), stopping into the Resource Center, or by calling 203-200-4636 (INFO). We are grateful to the Milbank Foundation for their generous support in building this program.

## Notables

The **Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF)** Scientific Advisory Board and Board of Directors recently announced BCRF's 2022 research

grants. Six grants at Yale Cancer Center and Smilow Cancer Hospital were awarded to **Mehra Golshan, MD, MBA**; **Melinda Irwin, PhD, MPH**; **Ian Krop, MD, PhD**; **Lajos Pusztai, MD**; **David Rimm, MD, PhD**; and **Eric Winer, MD**.

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### Breast Oncologist Aims to Normalize Challenges, 'Give Back' in New Leadership Positions



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### Cancer Research Institute to Host Second Annual Spanish-Language Virtual Immunotherapy Patient Summit to Connect the U.S. Hispanic Cancer Community with Information that can Save Lives



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### Prostate Cancer Awareness Q&A with Joseph Kim, MD

**Mariya Rozenblit, MD**, Assistant Professor of Medicine (Medical Oncology) is the recipient of the **2022 SITC-Natera ctDNA in Immunotherapy Response Monitoring Fellowship and Technology Award** from the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer. Dr. Rozenblit will use the funding to support her research project on “The tumor microenvironment of triple negative breast cancers with detectable circulating tumor DNA after pembrolizumab treatment.”

**Rachel Greenup, MD, MPH**, Chief of Breast Surgery, has received an **R01** from the **National Cancer Institute**, along with Shoshana Rosenberg, ScD, MPH, at Weill Cornell Medicine, to support their project, "Effectiveness and implementation of a decision support tool to improve surgical decision making in young women with breast cancer." Their multi-site study will promote shared decision-making and reduce decisional conflict in young women with breast cancer.

Yale Cancer Center faculty are heading to Paris to present research at the **European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)** this weekend, including advances in breast, lung, kidney, and head and neck cancers. Please review the **full list of Yale participation** and support your colleagues at this year's annual **Congress**.

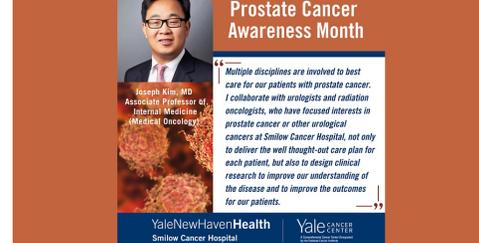
Last month, our **Hematology Program** was well represented at the **Thrombosis and Hemostasis Society of North America (THSNA)** Annual Meeting in Chicago with four oral presentations led by Alfred Lee, MD, PhD, Alexander Pine, MD, and Robert Bona, MD, and several poster presentations from the team. Please review the **full list of the team's participation** at the THSNA meeting.

**James Clune, MD**, Assistant Professor of Surgery (Plastics), has been appointed to the **VA National Plastic Surgery Advisory Board**.

**Murat Gunel, MD**, Nixdorff-German Professor of Neurosurgery and Professor of Genetics and of Neuroscience; Chair and Chief of Neurosurgery, recently received the prestigious **Ralph G. Dacey Medal for Outstanding Cerebrovascular Research** at the recent Joint Cerebrovascular Section meeting of the **American Association of Neurological Surgeons** and the **Congress of Neurological Surgeons**. Dr. Gunel was recognized for his outstanding academic career and significant contributions to the scientific understanding of cerebrovascular diseases, specifically in uncovering the molecular genomics of intracranial aneurysms and cavernomas.

The **National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer (NAPRC)** has named **Dhanpat Jain, MD**, Professor of Pathology and of Medicine (Digestive Diseases), to represent the College of American Pathologists on the NAPRC's Quality Assurance Committee. Dr. Jain, a nationally and internationally recognized GI pathologist, will represent pathologists to help the committee provide the structure and modeling required to organize and manage a rectal cancer center to ensure multidisciplinary, integrated, and comprehensive services.

**Hamita Sachar, MD**, Assistant Professor of Medicine (Digestive Diseases), has been recognized as a rising leader nationally by the **American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy**, which recently selected her for its **GI**



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## Celebrating the 2022 Susan D. Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellows



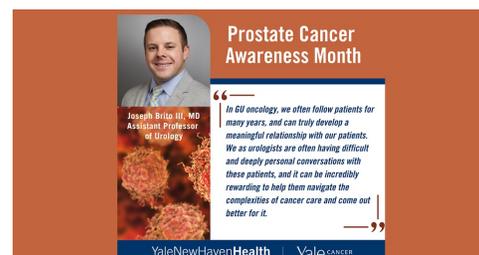
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## 'Game-Changing' Drug Enhertu Now Approved for Certain Types of Lung Cancer — What Does This Mean for Patients?



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## Prostate Cancer Awareness Q&A with Joseph Brito III, MD



for **Gastrointestinal Endoscopy**, which recently selected her for its **GI Organization Leadership Development (GOLD) Program**.

The **American College of Surgeons Foundation** has awarded **Elizabeth Berger, MD, MS**, Assistant Professor of Surgery (Surgical Oncology), a Health Policy Scholarship and **Holly Blackburn, MD**, a Resident Research Scholarship.

**Kathleen Suozzi, MD**, Associate Professor of Dermatology, has received a **Rising Star Award** from the **Association of Academic Cosmetic Dermatologists**. The award recognizes early and mid-career faculty who consistently demonstrate commitment to advancing academic cosmetic dermatology, teaching cosmetic dermatology to trainees, and providing exceptional patient care.

**Xiaolei Su, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Cell Biology, received an award from the **Gabrielle's Angel Foundation for Cancer Research**. This award supports a three-year project on designing new chimeric antigen receptors with improved anti-tumor efficacy. Dr. Su's group focuses on understanding immune receptor signaling and leveraging that knowledge to develop novel strategies for cancer immunotherapy.

**Elizabeth Prsic, MD**, has been selected to participate in the **Emerging Leaders Program** at Yale, a joint initiative between Yale School of Medicine and Yale New Haven Health. The two-year program provides intensive business and management training to physicians enrolled in the program.

Congratulations to the **2022 Lung SPORE Developmental Research Awardees**:

- *Implementation of deep learning derived imaging-based biomarkers for Non-Small Lung Cancer*, **Sanjay Aneja, MD**, Assistant Professor of Therapeutic Radiology
- *Characterization of limited-stage small cell lung cancer: potential prognostic and therapeutic implications*, **Guoping Cai, MD, MS**, Professor of Pathology
- *Investigating the role of lncRNAs in modulating immune responses in lung adenocarcinoma*, **Nadya Dimitrova, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology
- *Understanding and targeting altered RNA splicing in treatment-resistant lung tumors*, **Luisa Escobar-Hoyos, MSc, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Therapeutic Radiology
- *Development of liquid biopsy for the diagnosis of radiation necrosis in lung cancer patients through single-cell analysis of brain lesions*, **Stephanie Robert, MD, PhD**, Resident, **Veronica Chiang, MD**, Professor of Neurosurgery, and **Benjamin Lu, MD**, Fellow

And to the **2022 Career Enhancement Awardees**:

- **Arnaud Augert, MD**, Assistant Professor of Pathology: Understanding and targeting PBRM1 mutant small cell lung cancers (Mentors: Katerina Politi, PhD, Anne Chiang, MD, PhD)
- **Thomas Hayman, MD, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Therapeutic Radiology: PLK4 Inhibition as a Strategy to Enhance the Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Radiation Response (Mentors: Joseph Contessa, MD, PhD, Megan King, PhD)
- **Bluma Lesch, MD, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Genetics: Heritable epigenetic sensitization to KRAS-induced lung cancer (Mentors: Katerina Politi, PhD, Andrew Xiao, PhD)
- **Gavitt Woodard, MD**, Assistant Professor of Surgery: Subtypes of CD8+ T-cells in lymph nodes and blood outside the primary tumor in NSCLC patients (Mentors: Lieping Chen, MD, PhD)

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**Childhood Cancer Awareness Q&A with Niketa C. Shah, MD**



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Niketa Shah, MD  
Associate Professor of Pediatrics (Hematology/Oncology)

"I must say, being in this field for almost two decades now, we are facing huge challenges in being able to cure cancer cases in children as there are so many newer treatment approaches than before. And they have offered improved success rates which were not there before. We have many support groups which help children with cancer and their families go through this journey smoothly. Still, we have to continue improving in this field so that no child dies from this disease. I am sure we will reach that goal at some point in the near future."

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## The Cancer Signaling Networks

### Research Program welcomes

**Xuchen Zhang, MD, PhD,**

Associate Professor of Pathology.

Dr. Zhang has a broad background and knowledge in pathology, with specific training and expertise in human and mouse pathologic changes of liver/gastrointestinal and pulmonary neoplastic and non-neoplastic diseases. Dr. Zhang's research includes molecular pathogenesis of risk factors and morpho-molecular classification of colorectal and liver cancers, drug-induced GI and liver injury, alcoholic and non-alcoholic fatty liver diseases, and lung aging.



## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

### Religious Holy Days

Please note some of the major religious holidays and holy days for the Fall 2022 semester and to provide you with information from the Office of Institutional Equity and Accessibility (OIEA) offering **further guidelines** regarding religious accommodations.

Please note that the list below is not an all-encompassing list for every religious tradition. More detailed information about many religious holy days can be found on the **Chaplain's Office website**.

### Fall Semester:

- Rosh Hashanah (Jewish) sunset September 25th to nightfall September 27th (work restrictions)
- Yom Kippur (Jewish) sunset October 4th to nightfall October 5th (fasting from food and liquids / work restrictions)
- Sukkot (Jewish) sunset October 9th to nightfall October 16th (some work restrictions)
- Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah (Jewish) sunset October 16th to nightfall October 18th (work restrictions)

### Joint SPORE Developmental Research Program (DRP) Award – Cancer Disparities

The Yale Cancer Center Translational Research Office in collaboration with the Yale SPORE in Lung Cancer and the Yale Head and Neck SPORE has launched a new DRP award to provide up to \$50,000 in support for a translational pilot project focused on disparities-related cancer research in the field of head and neck and/or lung cancer. Studies with a strong translational or clinical component that have the potential to evolve into, or be incorporated into, a full SPORE project and projects with multi-disciplinary collaborations and/or community-based participatory research studies are encouraged.

We encourage you to submit your letter of intent (LOI) to **Anna Arnal**. LOIs will be reviewed and eligible applicants will be invited to submit a full application online at: <https://vale.infoready4.com/>



September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Dr. Prasanna Ananth, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics (Hematology /Oncology) shares that while childhood cancer research is greatly underfunded, she never stops working for better treatments and supportive care for children with cancer. "I derive the greatest inspiration in partnering directly with patients and families in our research. I appreciate hearing about their cancer care experiences and thinking innovatively about how to improve the experience, particularly for children with advanced, incurable cancer."

### CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Prasanna Ananth, MD, MPH  
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics  
(Hematology/Oncology)



"We never stop striving towards better treatments and supportive, holistic care for children with cancer. Childhood cancer research is woefully underfunded, and yet we persist in our work."

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Dr. Daniel Petrylak was a recent guest on the OncLive On Air podcast, to discuss the management of prostate and bladder cancer, as well as challenges with genetic testing. Dr. Petrylak also shared an update on results regarding the combination of abiraterone acetate (Zytiga) and olaparib (Lynparza) in prostate cancer.



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## Evolution Boston

Please join **Laura Baum, MD**, at the upcoming Evolution Conference, a free accredited program being held on September 24-25 in Boston at the Westin Waterfront Hotel.

Evolution is a conference for women by women designed to change paradigms for female oncologists and providers treating cancer. The program is presented from a female perspective and addresses issues that are unique to women in medicine. The agenda is designed to incorporate sessions that not only elevate clinical skills but professional expertise in the field of oncology. Join in person in Boston to earn 8.25 CME/CE credits or tune in from the comfort of home. Registration is open and free to all healthcare providers.

## Register

### **Rooted in History: Abortion, Law and American Health Care in Context**

On Tuesday, September 20, at 5 pm, Yale School of Medicine will host the sixth panel discussion in the series delving into the implications of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*. These discussions are part of YSM's commitment to lead through collaboration and education. *Rooted in History: Abortion, Law and American Health Care in Context*, will bring a historical perspective to the recent Dobbs ruling and contextualize it in the broader histories of abortion and reproductive rights.

**When you register here, you will be sent a webinar link**

## Employee Profile: Kelli-Ann Mancini, RN

Kelli-Ann Mancini, RN, has been an oncology nurse within the clinical trials team for 14 years, spending the last nine years as a Nursing Professional Development Specialist (NPDS). In this role, she has excelled as a mentor, providing guidance to new specialists and new nurses working on NP12, NP8 Medical Oncology infusion, the Phase I Clinic, and the Extended Care

Clinic (ECC).

In addition to the onboarding of new staff, Kelli-Ann has participated in and led many system-level and Smilow-specific initiatives and practice changes, including the annual chemotherapy recertification, the development and opening of the Extended Care Clinic, and the implementation of



Today we recognize the incredible contributions of our #SmilowStars, Sandra Cassell-Corbin, APRN, Annie Jha, PA, and Mark Tabaka, PA, as well as the other APP and Oncology Fellow providers, who provide excellent care to our patients daily in the Smilow Extended Care Clinic. The Oncology Extended Care Clinic (ECC) has been open since April 2017. It has the capacity for six patients and the unit is dedicated to serving our patients in need of urgent care and to avoid the ED.

Sandy, Annie, Mark, and others provide APP staffing for the clinic, in collaboration with a team of nurses and ACAs, and physician rotation from the Hospitalist service. Sandy, Annie, and Mark bring extensive oncology/urgent care expertise to their roles in the ECC, which benefits the diverse patient population they care for. The ECC has been a wonderful service for our patients which has been evidenced by Press Ganey satisfaction scores and that at least 65% of patients seen in the ECC are discharged to home.



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September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, and Michael Leapman, MD, Associate Professor of Urology and Clinical Program Leader, Prostate & Urologic Cancers Program at Smilow Cancer Hospital and Yale Cancer Center, shares how in the last decade treatment for prostate cancer has evolved.

In this article and video from WTNH News8, Dr. Leapman says, "Over the past decade, we've learned a lot about both the biology of the disease, what makes prostate cancer tick, and how to treat it better."

Clinic, and the implementation of outpatient high-dose methotrexate administration.

“Kelli-Ann is an outstanding educator who is passionate about oncology nursing,” says Christina M. Matousek, MSN, RN, OCN, Nursing Professional Development Specialist for NP1 Women’s Services, Radiation Oncology, NP4 and NP8 Multispecialty Clinics. “Not only is Kelli-Ann an invaluable member of our team, she is also an essential piece of the Smilow family. I am forever grateful for all she has done to guide me into the educator I am today and wish her nothing but the best.”



Kelli-Ann will be greatly missed by her colleagues, as today is her last day with Smilow. Please wish her well as she will be moving over to Yale New Haven Hospital for an opportunity within the Center for Professional Practice Excellence (CPPE), helping to onboard new hires. Congratulations, Kelli-Ann!

## Recent Publications

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### **Constant Learning - An Interview With Lilian Kabeche On Setting Up An Inclusive And Welcoming Lab**

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### **IRF8 as a Novel Marker to Differentiate Between CD30-Positive Large Cell Lymphomas**

*American Journal of Clinical Pathology*, 158(2):173-176.

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*The Oncologist*, Online ahead of print.

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## Prostate Cancer Awareness Month



With updates in the approach to treatment, as well as new surgical options, Dr. Michael Leapman says,

“If you are diagnosed with prostate cancer, it’s important to take stock of where you are and make sure you are hearing all the treatment options, that you’re getting a comprehensive picture that’s tailored to you.”

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Eric Winer, MD, Director of Yale Cancer Center and Physician-in-Chief of the Smilow Cancer Network, was all smiles supporting the Closer To Free Ride remotely while on vacation last week, along with his son Jeffrey. #CTFRide



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On National Dog Day, we would like you to meet Gunny! Gunny is a Golden Retriever who has been visiting our patients at Smilow Cancer Hospital over the last four years as a therapy dog. Gunny and his handler (mom) Valerie are a certified team through Pet Partners. They stop by the rooms of interested patients to help ease anxiety, relieve stress and depression, and maybe get a few pats and scratches as well. Pet therapy visits are a great way to bring joy and help our patients and families through their day.

Gunny is currently on the mend from a shoulder injury, but you can follow his adventures with his brothers, Jarvis, Memphis, and Max on their Instagram account: @gunnydog\_drman\_anddafloofs.

## National Dog Day



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*JCI Insight*, Online ahead of print.

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### **Analysis of Tumor Burden as a Biomarker for Patient Survival with Neuroendocrine Tumor Liver Metastases Undergoing Intra-Arterial Therapies: A Single-Center Retrospective Analysis**



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Meet Courtney Gibson, MD, MS, an endocrine surgeon at Smilow Cancer Hospital. Dr. Gibson cares for patients with cancerous and benign conditions affecting the thyroid, parathyroid, and adrenal glands. Recently, a patient of Dr. Gibson shared, “Dr. Courtney Gibson and her entire staff, plus Nurse Hawthorne, were excellent in every way! I feel so very lucky to have Dr. Gibson as my doctor. She explained everything to me. I had a lot of questions, not just about surgery, but about thyroid function, medication afterwards, the surgery itself. She was the perfect mix of intelligent, confident and compassionate. I wish everyone could have a surgeon this skilled.”



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Yang Yang-Hartwich, PhD, Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences and a member of Yale Cancer Center’s Cancer Signaling Research Program, has received a 5-year R01 grant from the National Cancer Institute to study, “Uncovering the Mechanisms of Metastasis in Fallopian Tube-Originated Ovarian Cancer.” Smita Krishnaswamy, PhD, Associate Professor of Genetics and Computer Science, is co-investigator on the

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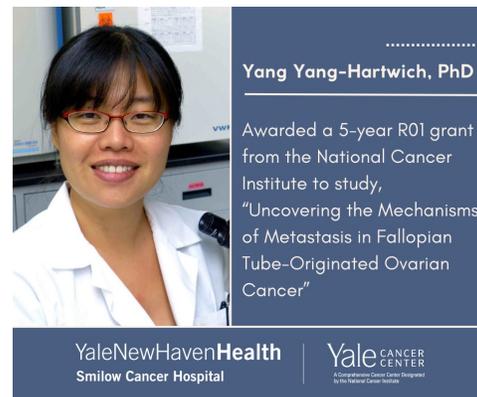
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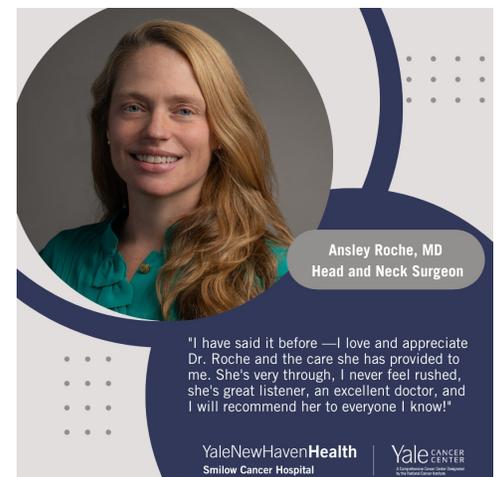
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Vivek Murthy, MD and Marcella Nunez-Smith, MD, MHS

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- **Application Deadline:** September 22, 2022
- **Leadership Development Program - Application Deadline:** September 25, 2022
- **Career Development Award (CDA)- Application Deadline:** October 20, 2022
- **International Innovation Grant (IIG) - Application**

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

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**September 17-18**

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- **Academy of Kidney Cancer Investigators Early-Career Scholar Award - Letter of Intent Due:** September 29, 2022
- **Nurse-Initiated Research Award - Letter of Intent Due:** September

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

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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.

**Application Deadline:** November 1, 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.

**LOI Due:** November 7, 2022

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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 low- and 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.

**Application Deadline:** November 8, 2022

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### **Lion Heart Fund For Cancer Research**

Yale investigators are encouraged to submit proposals of innovative, high-potential 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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