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Yueming Li, PhD

Innovative approaches to translating CAR T cell therapies to solid tumors

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Christopher Klebanoff, MD; Michel Sadelain, MD, PhD;
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Strategies to harness cancer cell stress for treatment and diagnosis

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Sergio Giralt, MD; Sham Mailankody, MD; Jonathan Peled, MD, PhD; David Chung, MD; Kazunori Murata, PhD

Toward the cure of adult acute lymphocytic leukemia: A personalized, genetic and epigenetic, chemo-immunotherapeutic approach

Joseph Jurcic, MD; Renier Brentjens, MD, PhD; Cyrus Hedvat, MD, PhD; Ross Levine, MD; Peter Maslak, MD; Hans Guido Wendel, MD; Scott Armstrong, MD, PhD; Michael Kharas, PhD; David Scheinberg, MD, PhD

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Towards a cure for prostate cancer

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Curing ovarian cancer through early detection and personalized treatment

Investigator(s) Michael S. Hittelman, MD, PhD; David Chung, MD, PhD; C. Ola Landgren, MD, PhD; Alexander Lesokhin, MD

Jason Lewis, PhD; Peter Allen, MD; Jan Grimm, PhD; Christine Iacobuzio-Donahue, MD, PhD; Kayvan Keshari, PhD; Steven Leach, MD; Thomas Reiner, PhD

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Charles Sawyers, MD; Jason Lewis, PhD; Dana Rathkopf, MD; Michael Zelefsky, MD

David Scheinberg, MD, PhD; Renier Brentjens, MD, PhD; Steven Larson, MD; Hans-Guido Wendel, MD

David Spriggs, MD; Carol Aghajanian, MD; Douglas Levine, MD; Paul Sabbatini, MD

Multidisciplinary Team Research

Project

Quillaja saponin adjuvants in carbohydrate conjugate cancer vaccines

Cellular target discovery and therapeutic agents —
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treatments for advanced prostate cancer

Identification of cell cycle related kinase inhibitors for cancer
therapy

Immunotherapy of cancer: Development of cancer vaccines,
adoptive cellular therapies, immune modulation and
combination immunotherapies

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Govind Ragupathi, PhD and Jim Young, MD

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Clinical Investigations

Project

A phase I trial of malignant pleural mesothelioma treated

Investigator(s)

Prasad Adusumilli, MD

Project

with autologous T cells genetically targeted to the cancer cell

Investigator(s)

A Phase 1a/1b Trial to Assess Safety and Bioactivity of Intrathecal Deferoxamine in Patients with Leptomeningeal Metastases from Non Small Cell Lung Cancer

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Experimental Therapeutics Clinical Treatment Unit

Richard Carvajal, MD

Vaccination of pancreatic cancer patients against mutated K-ras

Paul Chapman, MD

Biologic correlates in a phase I/II study of humanized 3F8 bispecific antibody (hu3F8-BsAb) in patients with relapsed/refractory neuroblastoma, osteosarcoma, and other GD2(+) solid tumors

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD

Clinical translation of PU-H71, a small molecule Hsp90 inhibitor

Gabriela Chiosis, PhD

Langerhans-type dendritic cell vaccination as consolidation for multiple myeloma after autologous stem cell transplantation

David Chung, MD, PhD

Circulating tumor cells in patients with metastatic prostate cancer: Development of predictive biomarkers for sensitivity to androgen receptor targeted treatment sensitivity

Daniel Danila, MD and Howard Scher, MD

The Development of a Novel AML-directed CAR T Cell Capable of Bystander Tumor Killing

Anthony Daniyan, MD

Preclinical and clinical evaluations of first-generation recombinant modified vaccinia virus Ankara (MQ710) for the treatment of anaplastic thyroid cancer and other solid tumors

Liang Deng, MD, PhD

Targeting Lewis Y in small cell lung cancer using the humanized monoclonal antibody, hu3S193

Chaitanya Divgi, MD

Cardenolides as novel agents for the treatment of retinoblastoma

Hakim Djaballah, PhD and David Abramson, MD

Radioimmunotherapy, reduced-dose radiation therapy, and chemotherapy for medulloblastoma

Ira Dunkel, MD and Kim Kramer, MD

Project ISO-1061, a novel epothilone: First in human phase 1 trial	Investigator(s) Mina Hossain, MD and Naiyer Rizvi, MD
Assessing the continual reassessment method as a phase I design by comparing it to the standard dose escalation scheme	Alexia Iasonos, PhD
Pilot trial ⁸⁹ Zr-trastuzumab-PET as pharmacodynamic marker in patients with HER2-positive esophagogastric cancer	Yelena Janjigian, MD
Hyperpolarized pyruvate MR imaging of prostate cancer	Kayvan Keshari, PhD
Comparative analyses of WT1 expression and WT1 antigen-specific T-cell frequencies in patients with plasma cell leukemia following treatment with donor-derived Wilms tumor antigen-specific T lymphocyte infusions	Guenther Koehne, MD, PhD
Development of KSR phosphorothioate antisense oligonucleotides for phase I clinical trial	Richard Kolesnick, MD
A phase I study of convection-enhanced delivery of 124I-8H9 for patients with non-progressive diffuse pontine gliomas previously treated with external beam radiation therapy	Kim Kramer, MD
Phase I study of intrathecal 131-I-8H9 for central nervous system and leptomeningeal malignancies	Kim Kramer, MD
Pilot trial of a tetravalent KLH conjugate vaccine against small cell lung cancer	Lee Krug, MD
Targeting small cell lung cancer with an Ac-labeled antibody to the ganglioside GD2	Lee Krug, MD
Phase I trial of a tetravalent vaccine with escalating doses of the immunological adjuvant QS-21, in combination with oral beta-glucan for high-risk neuroblastoma	Brian Kushner, MD
A Phase I Dose Escalation Study of ESK1-Bispecific T-cell Engager (ESK-TCE) Antibody Targeting WT1 for the Treatment of Patients with Recurrent Ovarian Cancers	Chrisann Kyi, MD

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Andrew Lassman, MD
Investigator(s)

Combination of targeted radiotherapy and anti-angiogenesis for resistant neuroblastoma

Shakeel Modak, MD

Lutetium-177 radiolabeled anti-prostate specific membrane antigen antibodies and its relationship to tumor-absorbed radiation dose

Michael Morris, MD

Quantitative PET imaging with yttrium-86 radiolabeled humanized anti-prostate specific membrane antibody J591 for dosimetric evaluation of yttrium-90-huJ591 therapy

Michael Morris, MD

Targeted radioimmunotherapy using Ley as a target in castrate metastatic prostate cancer

Michael Morris, MD

Prostate specific membrane antigen vaccine in prostate cancer

Luke Nordquist, MD

Preclinical and clinical development of 10-propargyl-10-deazaaminopterin (PDX) in relapsed or refractory aggressive non-Hodgkin's lymphomas

Owen O'Connor, MD, PhD

A phase I clinical trial of a new targeted therapy for the treatment of metastatic pancreatic cancer

Eileen O'Reilly, MD

Cytokine Secreting CAR T-Cell Therapy for Treatment of Leukemia

Jae Park, MD

GM-CSF DNA vaccine in melanoma

Miguel Perales, MD

Phase 1 study of humanized 3F8 monoclonal antibody (Hu3F8) when combined with interleukin-2 in patients with high-risk neuroblastoma and GD2-positive solid tumors

Stephen Roberts, MD

Augmented PSMA CAR therapy for castrate-resistant, metastatic prostate cancer

Michel Sadelain, MD, PhD and Susan Slovin, MD, PhD

Preparation of a peptide vaccine for chronic myelogenous leukemia

David Scheinberg, MD, PhD

Biomarker development in patients with metastatic prostate cancer: Assays for androgen receptor signaling pathway in

Howard Scher, MD

cancer. Assays for androgen receptor signaling pathway in circulating tumor cells

Investigator(s)

Therapeutic response assessment in clinical trials:
Development of tools for precise quantitative image analysis

Lawrence Schwartz, MD

Synthesis of 150 grams of PDX

Francis Sirotnak, PhD

Phase I trial of mouse TRP-2 DNA vaccine for patients with melanoma

Jedd Wolchok, MD, PhD

Alemtuzumab treatment of steroid-refractory acute graft-versus-host disease

James Young, MD

Drug Discovery and Development

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Synthetic introns to enable mutation-dependent targeting of cancer cells

Omar Abdel-Wahab, MD

Imaging the efficacy of TRAIL-enhanced cancer immunotherapy

Prasad Adusumilli, MD and Vladimir Ponomarev, MD, PhD

Small molecule degrader of HMGCS1 to harness the mevalonate pathway in cancer

Heeseon An, PhD

Self-immolative tumor-targeted nanogenerators

Christophe Antczak, PhD

New DPP8/9-binding ligands for the treatment of acute myeloid leukemia

Daniel Bachovchin, PhD

Induction of pyroptosis for cancer monocytic/macrophage lineage

Daniel Bachovchin, PhD

Peptidase Inhibitors as New Cancer Immunotherapy Agents

Daniel Bachovchin, PhD

ID protein degradation as a therapeutic strategy for advanced cancers

Robert Benezra, PhD; James Harding, MD

Tumor endothelial cell-specific inhibitor for Id-proteins

Robert Benezra, PhD

Over expression of asmasse in endothelial stem cells by

Nira Bloom, PhD

lentiviral vector delivery

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Investigator(s)

Expression and modulation of Fcγ receptors on human dendritic cells for targeted immunotherapy

Adam Boruchov, MD

Mesoporous silica nanoparticles as drug delivery vehicles in a PDGFB-driven murine high grade glioma model

Michelle Bradbury, MD, PhD

Construction and characterization of retroviral vectors encoding genes capable of generating both primary and efficient co-stimulatory signals to T cells for use in the adoptive immunotherapy of B cell malignancies

Renier Brentjens, MD, PhD

Development and characterization of novel inhibitors of JAK kinases

Jacqueline Bromberg, MD, PhD

Induction of natural EGFR inhibitors

Luca Cartegni, PhD

Therapeutic modulation of alternative splicing

Luca Cartegni, PhD

Overcoming CDK4/6 inhibitor resistance

Sarat Chandarlapaty, MD, PhD

Therapeutic targeting of Gαq pathway in uveal melanoma

Yu Chen, PhD

Development of small molecule inhibitors of MCL-1 for cancer therapy

Emily Cheng, PhD

Using Self-Assembling DisAssembling (SADA) Platform in Pretargeted Radioimmunotherapy and DNA Damage Repair Inhibitors to Enhance Immunogenic Cell Death

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD

Dual specific human monoclonal antibody targeting IGF-I and IGF-II for treating cancer in children

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD

Multistep targeting of GD2 using DOTA hook

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD

Optimizing radioimmunotherapy delivered through cerebrospinal fluid: Testing affinity-matured scFv constructs in xenograft models

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD

Humanized antibody targeting CSPG4 on melanoma

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD

SADA DOTA-PRID and SADA DOTA-PRIT for incurable

Nai-Kong Cheung, MD, PhD; Darren Veach, PhD

cancers

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Investigator(s)

Therapeutic and diagnostic targeting of DLK1 in cancer

Ping Chi, MD, PhD

Development of the epichaperome inhibitor LSI-137

Gabriela Chiosis, PhD

Novel compounds inhibiting Hsp90

Gabriela Chiosis, PhD and Neal Rosen, MD, PhD

Development of novel Hsp70 ATPase activity modulators

Gabriela Chiosis, PhD

PU24FCI, a novel selective Hsp90 inhibitor

Gabriela Chiosis, PhD

Bcr-Abl substrates and inhibitors

Bayard Clarkson, MD

Leptin receptor as a target to eradicate CML tumor initiating cells

Bayard Clarkson, MD

Design of molecular glue degraders to selectively target ERK2 over ERK1

Arvin Dar, PhD

Development of D-peptide inhibitors of oncogenic KRAS mutants

Samuel Danishefsky, PhD

Testing the immunogenicity of a new unimolecular hexavalent vaccine in combination with the novel synthetic saponin adjuvant SQS-1-0-5-5

Samuel Danishefsky, PhD

Cell migration inhibition: synthesis and evaluation of migrastatin and analogues for the identification of a novel chemotherapeutic

Samuel Danishefsky, PhD

Preparation of multiple drug reversal agent 5-N-acetyl-ardeemin and some active analogues

Samuel Danishefsky, PhD

Synthesis and evaluation of a novel unimolecular multiantigenic vaccine against breast cancer

Samuel Danishefsky, PhD

Telomerase inhibition: Synthesis and evaluation of UCS1025A and analogues for the identification of a novel chemotherapeutic

Samuel Danishefsky, PhD and Malcolm Moore, D.Phil.

Development of an AML-directed dual-targeted CAR T cell

Anthony Daniyan, MD

Targeting DJ-1 for cancer therapy Project	Yael David, PhD Investigator(s)
Synthesis of a multi-scaffold library for high-throughput screening for novel inhibitors of androgen receptor signaling	Christine DiBlasi, PhD
Synthetic study on proteasome inhibitor salinosporamide A	Atsushi Endo, PhD
Novel enhancement strategies for cancer DNA vaccines: Epitope optimization and fusion vectors	Manuel Engelhorn, PhD
Development of reagents to antagonize ceramide-mediated raft clustering in vivo	Zvi Fuks, MD
High throughput screening of specific inhibitors for kinase suppressor of Ras1 (KSR1)	Zvi Fuks, MD
ASMase gene therapy for radiosensitization	Zvi Fuks, MD and Richard Kolesnick, MD
Preclinical development of anti-ceramide monoclonal antibodies	Zvi Fuks, MD
Preclinical evaluation of KSR phosphorothioate antisense oligonucleotides in treating gf Ras-dependent human malignancies	Zvi Fuks, MD and Richard Kolesnick, MD
The development of highly concise routes to epothilones in the context of the chemical synthesis of the promising antitumor agent 4-desmethyl-12,13-desoxyEpothilone B	Ana Gabarda Ortega, PhD
L1CAM targeting 1x CAR T cells for advanced solid tumors	Karuna Ganesh, MD, PhD
Design of small molecules that trigger secretion of neoantigen: Chaperone complexes	Jonathan Goldberg, PhD
Mechanism of TEM8 in increasing CD8 T cell responses	Polly Gregor, PhD
ROS-activatable prodrug of Doxazoline	Jan Grimm, MD, PhD
Clinically approved nanoparticles as environmental-responsive self reporting drug delivery system	Jan Grimm, MD, PhD
Multimodality theranostics of pancreas cancer	Jan Grimm, MD, PhD

Project Gene expression profiling to identify therapeutic targets in chronic lymphocytic leukemia

Investigator(s) Mark Heaney, MD, PhD

Targeted nanoformulation and delivery strategy to improve the utility of PROTACS

Daniel Heller, PhD

Nanoscale bio-imaging

Daniel Heller, PhD

ZIC1: Therapeutic target and predictor of outcome in adult male germ cell tumors

Jane Houldsworth, PhD

Biodistribution and radiobiological effectiveness of ²²⁵Ac and ²¹³Bi for alpha-particle radioimmunotherapy

John Humm, PhD

Targeting isocitrate dehydrogenase mutations by enzyme hyperactivation

Andrew Intlekofer, MD, PhD

Identification of chemical inhibitors of the ULK1 kinase complex

Xuejun Jiang, PhD and Derek Tan, PhD

Development of novel therapies for endometrial carcinomas

Xuejun Jiang, PhD; Neal Rosen, MD, PhD

Identification and characterization of small molecule inhibitors of Apaf-1/Cytochrome c-mediated apoptosis

Xuejun Jiang, PhD and Derek Tan, PhD

Targeting the PTEN ubiquitin ligase NEDD4 with a novel electrophilic fragment library

Xuejun Jiang, PhD and Derek Tan, PhD

A modular platform for cell specific macromolecular drug delivery

Alex Kentsis, MD, PhD

Chemical library screen for musashi inhibitors

Michael Kharas, PhD

Inhibition of MSI translation in MSI driven leukemias

Michael Kharas, PhD

Tunable peptidomimetic nanoconjugates for cancer gene control

Alex Kentsis, MD, PhD

IL10 blockade as a novel immunotherapy across solid cancers

Danny Khalil, MD, PhD

Developing MUSASHI RNA binding protein inhibitors to target cancer

Michael Kharas, PhD

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Raman nanostar-triggered automated laser ablation device

C16:0 ceramide nano-liposomes reverse multi-drug resistance

Sphingolipid-based anti-angiogenic chemosensitization

Acid sphingomyelinase is obligate for gemcitabine action

Small animal imaging and spectroscopy

Leveraging living drugs for tumor-targeted radiotherapy

Pre-clinical development of a novel class of proteasome inhibitors

Improved detection of abl, c-kit, src and PDGFR α expressing tumors using a combination of positron labeled EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitors and “stealth” nanocarriers

Ac-225 DOTA Proteus for Pre-targeted Radioimmunotherapy (PRIT) of solid tumors

Alpha and Beta Pre-targeted Radioimmunotherapy for Peritoneal Carcinomatosis

Statins to Enhance Pretargeted Radioimmunotherapy of HER2-expressing Esophagogastric Tumors

Amplifying the efficacy of pretargeted radioimmunotherapy (PRIT) in pancreatic cancer

Radiosensitization of malignant gliomas by gene therapy

Targeted delivery of attenuated interleukin-15 for ILC1-mediated cancer immunotherapy

Targeting TGF- β signaling in CD4+ T cells for cancer immunotherapy

Development of lysosomal inhibitors for pancreatic cancer treatment

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Development of the autophagy-lysosome pathway blockers for pancreatic cancer treatment	Yueming Li, PhD
Development of sulfonamide γ -secretase inhibitors for cancer therapy	Yueming Li, PhD
Preclinical studies of sulfonamide γ -secretase inhibitors for cancer therapy	Yueming Li, PhD
γ -Secretase: Target validation and inhibitor development	Yueming Li, PhD
Target notch signal pathway in B-cell neoplasm	Yueming Li, PhD
Harnessing senolytic CAR T cell based therapies for the treatment of solid tumors	Scott Lowe, PhD
Targeting p53-regulated metabolism for anti-leukemia therapy	Scott Lowe, PhD
Advancing CARM1 Inhibitors as Preclinical Candidates Against Metastatic Breast Cancer	Minkui Luo, PhD
Developing mechanism-based protein arginine methyltransferase inhibitors as anti-cancer reagents	Minkui Luo, PhD
Develop protein methyltransferase inhibitors as anti-cancer drugs	Minkui Luo, PhD
High-throughput screening for SETMAR inhibitors: Develop protein methyltransferase inhibitors as anticancer drugs	Minkui Luo, PhD
High throughput screening for SETMAR inhibitors	Minkui Luo, PhD
Synthesis of polyketide-like small molecule libraries	Daniel Macks, PhD
Effect of histone deacetylase inhibitors on normal and transformed prostate cells	Paul Marks, PhD
Monitoring molecular biomarkers in human cancer	Peter Maslak, MD
Targeting CDH5 and simultaneously treating PSMA-positive	Michael McDevitt, PhD

and PSMA-negative prostate cancer with alpha particle Project	Investigator(s)
Camelid antibodies armed with alpha particles and directed at enzalutamide-treated prostate cancer	Michael McDevitt, PhD
A self-assembling synthetic clot to specifically infarct tumor tissue in vivo	Michael McDevitt, PhD
RNAi prophylaxis of chemotherapy-induced nephrotoxicity	Michael McDevitt, PhD
Optimizing EGFR Blockade in Human Glioblastoma	Ingo Mellinghoff, MD
Evaluation of epothilone analogs, synthetic microtubule stabilizing agents with potent anti-myeloma and anti-ovarian cancer action	Malcolm Moore, D.Phil.
Murine tumor xenograft models for preclinical drug development	Malcolm Moore, D.Phil.
Targeting activated ADAM17 for the treatment of epithelial ovarian cancer	Dimitar Nikolov, PhD
Function blocking antibodies against ADAM metalloproteases for inhibition of Eph, EGFR and Notch-dependent tumorigenesis	Dimitar Nikolov, PhD
Small-molecule inhibitors of Eph receptor signaling	Dimitar Nikolov, PhD
Single-chain anti-EphA2 antibodies for treatment of lymphoma and leukemia	Dimitar Nikolov, PhD
Real time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) for clinical and correlative studies	Stephen Nimer, MD
The role of arginine methyltransferases in the pathogenesis of myeloid malignancies	Stephen Nimer, MD
DNA vaccines against breast cancer: Synergy through targeting both tumor cells and tumor stroma	Francesca Orlandi, PhD
Chemical synthesis in carbohydrate-based cancer vaccines	Ouathek Ouerfelli, PhD
Combinatorial synthesis of novel small molecule inhibitors	William D. Miller, PhD

Overcoming acquired resistance to targeted therapy in lung
Project

William Pao, MD, PhD
Investigator(s)

Development of Gboxin, a benzimidazolium compound, as
an antitumor reagent

Luis Parada, PhD

Protein chip biology system for high-throughput screening

Gavril Pasternak MD, PhD

Sigma receptors: a novel anti-proliferative target for tumor
therapy

Gavril Pasternak, MD, PhD

Structure activity of the sigma₁ antagonist binding pocket

Gavril Pasternak, MD, PhD

Development of potent small molecule inhibitors of the
cGAS-STING dsDNA-sensing immune pathway

Dinshaw Patel, PhD

Development of small molecule inhibitors of METTL3-
METTL14 RNA methyltransferase complex as drugs against
acute myeloid leukemia

Dinshaw Patel, PhD

T-cell precursors and allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell
transplant

Miguel Perales, MD

SKI-N69: A candidate radiosensitizer

John Petrini, PhD

Modulation of DNA damage signaling pathways

John Petrini, PhD

Targeted synthetic immunity for activating site specific anti-
tumor innate immune response

Nagavarakishore Pillarsetty, PhD

Site specific activation of $\gamma\delta$ T cells for cancer
immunotherapy applications

Nagavarakishore Pillarsetty, PhD

Targeted nuclear delivery of EGF-Auger emitting
radioconjugates for cancer therapy

Nagavarakishore Pillarsetty, PhD

Tumor antigen-directed molecular imaging to strategize T-
cell immunotherapy

Vladimir Ponomarev, MD, PhD

Evaluation of endothelial cell apoptosis in human cancer
specimens in response to ionizing radiation

Elizabeth Poyner, MD, PhD

Novel structure derivatives of trehalose dimycolate as
cancer vaccine adjuvants

Vivek Rao, PhD

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Investigator(s)

Imaging of the Peripheral Nervous System

Thomas Reiner, PhD

Preclinical Testing of Hedgehog Inhibitors in Pancreatic Cancer

Marilyn Resh, PhD

Identification of hedgehog palmitoylation inhibitors

Marilyn Resh, PhD

Efficacy testing of TDI-3410, a Hedgehog Acyltransferase inhibitor, in mouse models of lung, breast and pancreatic cancer

Marilyn Resh, PhD

Development and in vivo evaluation of clinical retroviral vectors designed to express high levels of mutant HSV thymidine kinase to increase the safety of T lymphocyte infusions

Isabelle Riviere, PhD

Development of improved TORC1 inhibitor-based therapies for the treatment of breast cancer and other carcinomas

Neal Rosen, MD, PhD; Daniel Heller

Development of improved TORC1 inhibitor-based therapies for the treatment of breast cancer and other carcinomas

Neal Rosen, MD, PhD; Daniel Heller

Development of combined inhibition of ERK and PI3K/AKT signaling as a strategy for the treatment of mutant RAS-dependent tumors

Neal Rosen, MD, PhD

DLL3 radioimmunoconjugates for high-grade neuroendocrine tumor imaging and therapy

Charles Rudin, MD, PhD

Design of combinatorial therapeutics

Chris Sander, PhD

Preclinical development of the anti-androgen A52 for prostate cancer therapy

Charles Sawyers, MD

Therapeutic self-assembling nanodevices

David Scheinberg, MD, PhD

Radiotherapy with targeted multivalent α -particle generators

David Scheinberg, MD, PhD

Development of novel inhibitors of SCCRO

Bhuvanesh Singh, MD

A novel class of peptidomimetic agents targeting tumor growth, angiogenesis, and metastases

Francis Sirotnak, PhD and David Scheinberg, MD, PhD

growth, angiogenesis, and metastases

Project

Modulation of chemotherapy sensitivity by alterations in PTEN/AKT signaling

Investigator(s)

David Solit, MD

Characterization of an RNA binding protein targeted by thalidomide analogues

David Spriggs, MD

MUC16 synthetic lethal screening in ovarian cancer

David Spriggs, MD

Development of novel menin inhibitors for glioma therapy

Viviane Tabar, MD

pdfSEAKER: Development of CAR T cells that express human peptide deformylase (hsPDF) to activate synergistic small-molecule prodrugs locally at tumors

Derek Tan, PhD

onSEAKER: Engineering CAR T cells to biosynthesize synergistic small molecule drugs in situ

Derek Tan, PhD

Targeted delivery of epigenetic small-molecule drugs by SEAKER cells

Derek Tan, PhD

A novel CAR T-cell platform for targeted, local biosynthesis of small-molecule therapeutics

Derek Tan, PhD

Studying Chk1-mediated signaling pathways using chemical genetics and functional imaging

Archie N. Tse, MD, PhD

Identification of novel small molecules with anti-proliferative action towards human lung cancer cell lines harboring oncogenic EGFR or KRAS

Harold Varmus, MD

ESSENCE compounds as tools for specific modulation of alternative splicing patterns

Sandra Vorlova, PhD

The oncogenic action of NRF2 depends on de-glycation by Fructosamine-3-kinase

Hans-Guido Wendel, MD

Defining the mechanism underlying GITR agonist activity

Jedd Wolchok, MD, PhD

TMC-95A analogues as potential antitumor agents

Zhi-Qiang Yang, PhD

Controlled rate freezer for preclinical laboratory studies

James Young, MD

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JAK/STAT kinase 2 (JAK2) as a therapeutic target in graft-versus-host disease	James Young, MD and Brian Betts, MD
Reversal of indoleamine 2,3-dioxygenase (IDO)-mediated suppression of tumor immunity stimulated by human dendritic cells	James Young, MD

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