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**ASCO Awards**

We are honored to have several faculty and fellows who received awards from the Conquer Cancer Foundation of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) at the 2017 annual meeting held June 2–6 in Chicago.

**Career Development Awards** (CDAs):

**Adi Diab, MD,** Assistant Professor, Melanoma Medical Oncology, for “Phase I/II study of intratumoral CD40 agonistic monoclonal antibody APX005M in combination with systemic pembrolizumab in patients with metastatic melanoma.” Mentored by **Patrick Hwu, MD,** Division Head and Chair of Melanoma Medical Oncology.

**Jennifer McQuade, MD,** Instructor, Melanoma Medical Oncology, for “Molecular, immune, and clinical significance of obesity in advanced melanoma.” Mentored by **Michael Davies, MD, PhD,** Associate Professor and Deputy Chair of Melanoma Medical Oncology.

**Young Investigator Awards** (YIAs):

**Meredith McKean, MD, MPH,** 2nd-year Fellow, Hematology/Medical Oncology, for “Investigation of in situ predictors of response to immune therapy in metastatic melanoma.” Mentored by Gordon Mills, MD, Chair of Systems Biology.
Pavlos Msaouel, MD, PhD, 2nd-year Fellow, Hematology/Medical Oncology, for “Targeting the EZH2-STAT3 pathway in renal medullary carcinoma.” Mentored by Nizar Tannir, MD, Professor of Genitourinary Medical Oncology.

Nicholas Short, MD, 3rd-year Fellow, Hematology/Medical Oncology, for “Improving prediction of relapse in Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia using next-generation sequencing.” Mentored by Farhad Ravandi-Kashani, MD, Professor of Leukemia.

Michael Wagner, MD, 3rd-year Fellow, Hematology/Medical Oncology, for “Overcoming primary resistance to VEGF/VEGFR targeted agents in angiosarcoma by targeting the mitogen activated protein kinase (MAPK) pathway.” Mentored by Anil Sood, MD, Professor, Gynecologic Oncology & Reproductive Medicine.

Trainee Research Day Prizes

The division’s Hematology/Medical Oncology fellows were well-represented among the winners at the institution’s annual Trainee Research Day 2017 on May 3:

Oral Competition Winners
- Tina Cascone, MD, PhD, 3rd-year Fellow: 1st prize, Bristol-Myers Squibb Award in Clinical Research

Clinical Fellowships
- Amanda Parkes, MD, 2nd-year Fellow: Jesse H. Jones Fellowship in Cancer Education
- Tina Cascone, MD, PhD, 3rd-year Fellow: The Jeffrey Lee Cousins Fellowship in Lung Cancer Research
- Ghayas Issa, MD, 3rd-year Fellow, and Paolo Strati, MD, 1st-year Fellow: The Kimberly Patterson Fellowship in Leukemia Research
- Nicholas Short, MD, 3rd-year Fellow: The Shannon Timmins Fellowship for Leukemia Research
- Pavlos Msaouel, MD, PhD, 2nd-year Fellow: The William L. Pippin, Jr. Fellowship in Genitourinary Research
- Marc Uemura, MD, 3rd-year Fellow: The Marion D. Edwards Fellowship in Hepatic Oncology

Postdoctoral Fellows
- James Link, MD, PhD, 2nd-year Fellow: The Ben F. Love Fellowship in Innovative Cancer Therapies
Grand Rounds
DoCM Grand Rounds are held at 8 a.m. each Tuesday in Hickey Auditorium. View videos and read synopses here.
Upcoming programs:
June 13: Hematology/Medical Oncology Fellows Award Ceremony
June 20: John Heymach, MD, PhD, Chair, Thoracic/Head & Neck Medical Oncology
June 27: Zahid Siddik, PhD, Professor of Experimental Therapeutics, “Wild-type P53 and drug resistance: The elephant in the room”
July 4: Cancelled for Independence Day

Save the Date
The 14th Annual Division of Cancer Medicine Employee Recognition & Awards Program will take place on Thursday, August 17, from 3–5 p.m. in Hickey Auditorium. To nominate a coworker, please contact your Department Administrator or Clinical Administrative Director.


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