8th Annual Outstanding Trainee and Leading Mentor Awards in Cancer Prevention

Pictured Left to Right: Dr. Ernest Hawk, Dr. Sharon Giordano, Dr. Eduardo Vilar-Sanchez, Kyle Chang, Dr. Martin Chalfie, Dr. Ashish Deshmukh, Dr. Xifeng Wu, Dr. Carrie Cameron and Dr. Shine Chang.

Martin Chalfie, Ph.D., 2008 Nobel Prize Laureate was the keynote speaker for the Division of Cancer Prevention and Population Sciences, 8th annual awards in excellence for training and mentorship in cancer prevention. The individuals listed below are this year's recipients and honorable mentions.

The 2016 Leading Mentor in Cancer Prevention is Dr. Xifeng Wu, Professor of Epidemiology.

Honorable Mentions:
- Patrick M. Lynch, J.D., M.D., Professor, Gastroenterology, Hepatology & Nutrition
- Guang Peng, M.D., Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Clinical Cancer Prevention
- Alex Prakhov, M.D., Ph.D., Professor, Behavioral Science
- Jason D. Robinson, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Behavioral Science
- Paul Scheet, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Epidemiology
- Hui Zhao, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Health Services Research

The 2016 Predoctoral Outstanding Trainee in Cancer Prevention is Kyle Chang, Clinical Cancer Prevention, Mentor: Dr. Eduardo Vilar-Sanchez.

Honorable Mentions:
- Shailesh Advani, M.P.H.; Mentors: Drs. Scott Kopetz and Patrick Lynch, Gastroenterology, Hepatology & Nutrition
- Shabnam Azadeh, Ph.D.; Mentors: Drs. Veera Baladandayuthapani & Brian Hobbs, Biostatistics
- Meghan Haffey; Mentor: Dr. Susan Schembre, Behavioral Science
- Imory Jefferson, B.A.; Mentor: Dr. Lorna McNeill, Health Disparities Research

Michael La Chapelle, B.S.; Mentor: Dr. Lorna McNeill, Health Disparities Research
Yulun Liu, M.S.; Mentor: Dr. Paul Scheet, Epidemiology
Jeanne Pierzynski, M.P.H.; Mentor: Dr. Xifeng Wu, Epidemiology

The 2016 Postdoctoral Outstanding Trainee in Cancer Prevention is Dr. Ashish Deshmukh, Health Services Research, Mentor: Dr. Scott B. Cantor.

Honorable Mentions:
- Kristi Hoffman, Ph.D.; Mentor: Dr. Carrie Daniel-MacDougall, Epidemiology
- Beatriz Sánchez-Espiridión, Ph.D.; Mentor: Dr. Xifeng Wu, Epidemiology
- Jianfeng Shen, Ph.D.; Mentor: Dr. Guang Peng, Clinical Cancer Prevention
- Huakang Tu, Ph.D.; Mentor: Dr. Yuanqing Ye, Epidemiology

Special Thanks to Reviewers Committee for selection of the “Leading Mentor in Cancer Prevention Award”:
- Ashish Deshmukh, Ph.D. (Chair) - Health Services Research
- Shailesh Advani - Epidemiology
- Yong Cui, Ph.D. - Behavioral Science
- Oliver Delgado, Ph.D. - Clinical Cancer Prevention
- Ashley Jayne Housten, Ph.D. - Health Services Research
- Jinhai (Stephen) Huo, Ph.D. - Health Services Research
- Geetanjali Rohit Kamath - Health Services Research
- Yue Liao - Behavioral Science
- Jianfeng Shen, Ph.D. - Clinical Cancer Prevention
- Christine Vinci, Ph.D. - Health Disparities Research

Committee for selection of the “Predoctoral & Postdoctoral Outstanding Trainees in Cancer Prevention Awards”:
- Ernest Hawk, M.D., Ph.D.
- Lorna McNeill, Ph.D.
- Karen Basen-Engquist, Ph.D.
- Sharon Giordano, M.D., M.P.H.

*NOTE: In the DCPPS email dated 1/11/16, the five (5) department chairs were listed in error as the outstanding predoctoral & postdoctoral trainees award review committee members. Typically, the department chairs review all trainee nominations; however, this year other faculty were invited to review in place of the department chairs who were unable to participate.