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# 2021 Leading Edge of Cancer Research Symposium hosted by MD Anderson



## THURSDAY, NOV. 4

- 9 a.m. Symposium Opening and Welcome**  
**Giulio Draetta, M.D., Ph.D.**  
Senior Vice President, Chief Scientific Officer,  
MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 9:10 a.m. Opening Remarks**  
**Peter WT Pisters, M.D.**  
President, MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 9:25 a.m. Keynote Address: Wilson S. Stone Memorial Award Lecture and Presentation**  
**Georg Winter, Ph.D.**  
CeMM - Research Center for Molecular Medicine of  
the Austrian Academy of Sciences
- 10:15 a.m. Poster Session Award Presentations**
- 10:30 a.m. Break + Poster Session Presentations**
- 10:40 a.m. SESSION I: CANCER THERAPEUTICS: MECHANISMS OF RESPONSE AND RESISTANCE**  
**Chair: Tina Cascone, M.D., Ph.D.**  
**Simona Colla, Ph.D.**  
**John Heymach, M.D., Ph.D.**  
**Drew M. Pardoll, M.D., Ph.D.**  
**Laurence Zitvogel, M.D., Ph.D.**
- 12:50 p.m. Break + Virtual Poster Session**
- 1:30 p.m. PANEL DISCUSSION: EXPANDING OUR REACH: INNOVATION IN RARE CANCER**
- 2:30 p.m. Break + Poster Session Presentations**
- 2:40 p.m. SESSION II: INTERSECTION OF IMMUNO-GENETICS AND IMMUNO-METABOLISM**  
**Chair, Cassian Yee, M.D.**  
**Hongbo Chi, Ph.D.**  
**Greg Delgoffe, Ph.D.**  
**Erika Pearce, Ph.D.**  
**Weiping Zou, M.D., Ph.D.**
- 4:50 p.m. Keynote Address: Heath Memorial Award Lecture and Presentation**  
**Padmanee Sharma, M.D., Ph.D.**  
MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 5:55 p.m. Closing Remarks**  
**Tim Heffernan, Ph.D.**  
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## FRIDAY, NOV. 5

- 9 a.m. Symposium Opening and Welcome**  
**Giulio Draetta, M.D., Ph.D.**  
Senior Vice President, Chief Scientific Officer,  
MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 9:05 a.m. Poster Session Award Presentations**
- 9:15 a.m. Keynote Address: Ernst W. Bertner Memorial Award Lecture and Presentation**  
**Elaine Fuchs, Ph.D.**  
The Rockefeller University
- 10:30 a.m. Break + Poster Session Presentations**
- 10:40 a.m. SESSION III: CANCER: THE WOUND THAT DOESN'T HEAL**  
**Chair: Yejing Ge, Ph.D.**  
**Raghu Kalluri, M.D., Ph.D.**  
**Sean Morrison, Ph.D.**  
**Emmanuelle Passegue, Ph.D.**  
**Geoff Wahl, Ph.D.**
- 12:50 p.m. Break + Virtual Poster Session**
- 1:45 p.m. PANEL DISCUSSION: TRANSLATING BREAKTHROUGHS INTO CLINICAL IMPACT**
- 2:45 p.m. SESSION IV: THE CANCER ECOSYSTEM: EVOLUTION AND MALIGNANT PROGRESSION**  
**Chair: Gianni Genovese, M.D.**  
**Christina Curtis, Ph.D., MSc**  
**Steven Gallinger, M.D., MSc, FRCSC**  
**Dan Landau, M.D., Ph.D.**  
**Linghua Wang, M.D., Ph.D.**
- 4:55 p.m. Closing Remarks**  
**Giulio Draetta, M.D., Ph.D.**  
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