Wednesday, September 18

6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  Welcome and Keynote Lectures
Session Chairperson: Scott W. Lowe, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

Lgr5 stem cells in self-renewal and cancer
Hans Clevers, Hubrecht Institute, Utrecht, The Netherlands

Somatic alterations in human cancer genomes
Matthew L. Meyerson, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA

8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.  Opening Reception
National Harbor 2-3
Thursday, September 19

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  Plenary Session 1: Transcription and Epigenetics  
Session Chairperson: Jacqueline A. Lees, MIT Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research, Cambridge, MA  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

Title to be announced  
Jacqueline A. Lees

Deconstructing p53 pathways in vivo  
Laura D. Attardi, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA

Chromosomal translocations and transcriptional elongation control in epigenetics and cancer  
Ali Shilatifard, Stowers Institute for Medical Research, Kansas City, MO

Genome-wide profiling reveals stimulus-specific functions of p53 in human embryonic stem cells*  
Abhinav K. Jain, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

“Guardians of repeats”: Novel and significant relationship of p53 and interferon*  
Katerina Leonova, Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, NY

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  Break  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

*Short talks from proffered papers
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  **Plenary Session 2: Post-Transcriptional Regulation**  
*Session Chairperson: Davide Ruggero, UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center, San Francisco, CA*  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

**Misregulation of pre-mRNA splicing in cancer**  
James L. Manley, Columbia University, New York, NY

**Translational control of cancer via eIF4E/4E-BPs**  
Nahum Sonenberg, McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada

**Novel insights into synthetic lethal interactions in cancer: Common nodes in protein synthesis control and nucleotide metabolism**  
Davide Ruggero

**Roles and regulation of wild-type and mutant forms of p53**  
Carol L. Prives, Columbia University, New York, NY

12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.  **AACR Women in Cancer Research (WICR) Career Mentoring Session**  
*Organized by the AACR Women in Cancer Research Council*  
Annapolis 1-3

This session has been designed for graduate students, medical students and residents, and clinical and postdoctoral fellows. Following a keynote address, attendees will meet, network, and learn from many of the leading senior scientists in cancer research. Topics include careers in industry, writing a CV, careers in translation research, mentoring and supervising, and many more. Although all conference attendees are invited to attend this session, it is geared toward early-career female investigators. A separate registration for this event is recommended (http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/wicrbasic). Only conference registrants may participate in this session. Onsite registration will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Seating is limited.

**Co-Chairpersons:**  
Wen-Jen Hwu, Ph.D., The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX  
Nancy E. Hynes, Ph.D., Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland  
Worta McCaskill-Stevens, M.D., National Cancer Institute, Rockville, MD

**Keynote Address:**  
Karen H. Vousden, Ph.D., Beatson Institute for Cancer Research, Glasgow, United Kingdom

**Mentors:**  
Laura Attardi, Ph.D., Stanford University, Stanford, CA  
Susan E. Bates, M.D., National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD  
William C. Hahn, M.D., Ph.D., Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA  
Scott W. Lowe, Ph.D., Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY  
Sara Nayeem, M.D., New Enterprise Associates, Washington, DC  
Pier Paolo Pandolfi, M.D., Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA  
Dana Pe’er, Ph.D., Columbia University, New York, NY  
Carol L. Prives, Ph.D., Columbia University, New York, NY  
Zena Werb, Ph.D., UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center, San Francisco, CA  
Stephen Worland, Ph.D., eFFECTOR Therapeutics, San Diego, CA
12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.  Free Time / Lunch on Own

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.  Plenary Session 3: Noncoding RNAs  
Session Chairperson: Pier Paolo Pandolfi, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

Antagonistic interactions among polycistronic oncomir components regulate oncogene-dependent apoptosis  
Lin He, University of California, Berkeley, CA

MicroRNAs in oncogenic and tumor suppressor signaling pathways  
Joshua Mendell, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX

The noncoding RNA revolution in cancer research  
Pier Paolo Pandolfi

Hmga2 promotes lung adenocarcinoma progression as a competing endogenous RNA*  
Madhu S. Kumar, London Research Institute, London, United Kingdom

LIN28B promotes growth and tumorigenesis of the intestinal epithelium primarily via Let-7 repression*  
Blair Madison, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  Poster Session A / Reception  
National Harbor 2-3

*Short talks from proffered papers
Friday, September 20

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

Mentoring Roundtables†  
Annapolis 1, Annapolis 2, and Annapolis 3

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8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  Plenary Session 4: Genetic and Functional Heterogeneity  
*Session Chairperson: Joan S. Brugge, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA*  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

- **Glioma stem cells and cancer**  
  Luis F. Parada, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX

- **Heterogeneity in drug sensitivity**  
  Joan S. Brugge

- **Genetic and functional tumor heterogeneity**  
  Charles Swanton, Cancer Research UK, London, United Kingdom

- **Single-cell RNA sequencing reveals phenotypic plasticity of drug tolerant clonal populations of cancer cells**  
  Fernando J. Lopez-Diaz, Salk Institute, La Jolla, CA

- **Collective invasion in breast cancer requires a conserved basal epithelial program**  
  Kevin J. Cheung, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  Break  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

*Short talks from proffered papers*
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  Plenary Session 5: Stress Response, Apoptosis, Autophagy, and Senescence  
*Session Chairperson: Carol L. Prives, Columbia University, New York, NY*  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom  

**Dysregulated mTORC1 renders cells critically dependent on desaturated lipids for survival under tumor-like stress**  
M. Celeste Simon, Abramson Cancer Center, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  

**Role of autophagy in cancer**  
Eileen P. White, UMDNJ–The Cancer Institute of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ  

**Activities of wild-type and mutant p53**  
Karen H. Vousden, Beatson Institute for Cancer Research, Glasgow, United Kingdom  

**Systematic genetic interaction maps reveal rewiring of the stress response network and resulting vulnerabilities in leukemia and multiple myeloma cells**  
Martin Kampmann, University of California, San Francisco, CA  

**Autophagic degradation of Δ133p53 during replicative cellular senescence: An isoform-specific protein degradation mechanism for p53**  
Izumi Horikawa, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD  

12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.  Lunch on Own / Free Time  

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2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.     Plenary Session 6: Cancer Microenvironment
Session Chairperson: Mikala Egeblad, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor, NY
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

Fatty liver disease and the pathogenesis of hepatocellular carcinoma: Role of inflammation and aberrant metabolism
Michael Karin, University of California, San Diego, CA

Tissue tension engages developmental programs to promote tumor progression
Valerie M. Weaver, UCSF Medical Center, San Francisco, CA

Seeing cancer in context: Insights from live imaging of tumor-stroma interactions
Mikala Egeblad-

Fine temporal and spatial dissection of medulloblastoma progression with MADM, a mouse genetic mosaic model*
Brit Ventura, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Novel Hedgehog co-receptors in pancreatic cancer progression*
Esha Mathew, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor, Michigan

4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.     Poster Session B / Reception
National Harbor 2-3

Saturday, September 21

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.     Continental Breakfast
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

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Annapolis 1, Annapolis 2, and Annapolis 3

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*Short talks from proffered papers
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  Plenary Session 7: Cancer Metabolism  
Session Chairperson: Lewis C. Cantley, Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University, New York, NY  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

PI3K and cancer metabolism  
Lewis C. Cantley

mTOR, metabolism, and cell growth control in cancer  
John Blenis, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

Linking cancer metabolism to epigenetic reprogramming  
Craig B. Thompson, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY

Medulloblastoma-associated mutations in the DEAD box RNA helicase DDX3X impair protein translation*  
Yasmine A. Valentin-Vega, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Memphis, TN

Bringing the Outside In: Macropinocytosis and cancer therapeutics*  
Cosimo Commissio, New York University School of Medicine, New York, NY

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  Break  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  Plenary Session 8: Metastasis  
Session Chairperson: Joan Massagué, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY  
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

Metastasis pathways  
Joan Massagué

Regulation of metastasis in breast cancer  
Zena Werb, UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center, San Francisco, CA

Cell fate determinants as regulators of cancer metastasis  
Yibin Kang, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Interleukin-4 receptor α chain regulates the growth of primary and metastatic mammary tumors*  
Katherine T. Venmar, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Lineage labeling elucidates the natural history of metastatic colonization*  
Nicole M. Aiello, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

*Short talks from proffered papers
12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.  Free Time / Lunch on Own

Mentoring Roundtables†
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2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.  Plenary Session 9: Interpreting the Cancer Genome
Session Chairperson: Stephen J. Elledge, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
Cherry Blossom Ballroom

Haploinsufficiency in cancer
Stephen J. Elledge

Functional genomics, experimental models, and cancer
William C. Hahn, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA

Towards rationale therapy: Dealing with inter- and intratumor heterogeneity
Dana Pe’er, Columbia University, New York, NY

Unraveling mechanisms of tumor suppression in vivo
Scott W. Lowe, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY

4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  Poster Session C / Reception
National Harbor 2-3

Sunday, September 22

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast
Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

Mentoring Roundtables†
Annapolis 1, Annapolis 2, and Annapolis 3

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8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  
**Plenary Session 10: Signaling I – Cancer Signaling Networks**

*Session Chairperson: Frank McCormick, UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center, San Francisco, CA*

Cherry Blossom Ballroom

**Targeting cancer cell dependencies on developmental signal transduction pathways**
Lawrence Lum, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX

**Targeting Ras proteins in human cancer**
Frank McCormick

**Hippo signaling in development and cancer**
Duojia Pan, Johns Hopkins Medical Institutes, Baltimore, MD

**Hedgehog signaling in urothelial stem cell physiology and malignancy**
Philip A. Beachy, Stanford University, Stanford, CA

10:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m.  
**Break**

Cherry Blossom Ballroom Lobby

10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  
**Plenary Session 11: Signaling II – Signaling and Drug Resistance**

*Session Chairperson: Kevin Shannon, University of California, San Francisco, CA*

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**Title to be announced**
Neal Rosen, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY

**Title to be announced**
Kevan Shokat, University of California, San Francisco, CA

**Targeting hyperactive Ras in cancer**
Kevin Shannon

**Hypoxia induces lapatinib resistance in ErbB2-positive breast cancer cells via regulation of DUSP2**
Sergey V. Karakashev, Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA

**Combined inhibition of ribosome function and ribosomal RNA gene transcription cooperate to delay relapse and extend survival in MYC-driven tumors**
Richard B. Pearson, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, East Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

*Short talks from proffered papers*