

Accolades and Newsworthy Notes

December 11, 2015

Dr. Gerold Bepler announced **Ulka Vaishampayan**, **M.D.**, as the new division chief for Solid Tumor Oncology within the Department of Oncology at Wayne State University School of Medicine. Dr. Vaishampayan was also officially appointed as the director for the Eisenberg Center for Translational Therapeutics after serving as interim director for nearly two years.

As our Program member and colleague, Dr. Vaishampayan, is highly respected for her clinical and research expertise. She has headed up the Karmanos Genitourinary Multidisciplinary Team since 2005 and treats patients at Karmanos' main campus and the Weisberg Center Treatment Center. She has held a number of national committee appointments, including chair of the GU Group of the National Cancer Institute Phase II Clinical Trial Consortium, co-chair of the California Consortium GU Clinical Trials and is a member of the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

Congratulations Dr. Vaishampayan!

Recent presentations, abstracts and posters

Our Program members Drs. Wei Zen Wei and Deb Skarfar guide new scientists to accolades!



February 2016

Congratulations to Heather Gibson, PhD, in training with Dr. Wei Zen Wen. Heather won the first place award for the Best Oral Presentation at the 2016 Translational Research Cancer Centers Consortium hosted by Penn State Hershey. Heather's work was titled Genetic mapping analysis in diversity outbred mice to identify regulators of cancer vaccine response. Cheers and Congratulations!

2016 - Wayne State annual award

Deb Skarfar is noted as the mentor to Shivali Patel whose poster won second place at the Wayne State Medical Student Research Symposium under the Basic Science Poster category.

Their work is titled "Elevated estradiol compromises trophoblast survival in first trimester human trophoblast cells" Here's a link: http://studentaffairs.med.wayne.edu/symposium.php

New Funding \$\$\$\$



Perhaps you have already heard the news that our Program member Dr. **Guangzhao Mao** is a collaborator on a donation funding awarded to Dr. Malathy Shekhar (MT Program). The team uses tiny gold nanoparticles to enter porous melanoma cells and damage Rad6.

Here's a link to the story

http://prognosis.med.wayne.edu/article/cancer-biology-professor-engineering-collaborator-receive-17000-to-research-nanotechnology-and-melanoma

Dr. Nallasivam Palanisamy, our Program member, and our colleague at Henry Ford Health System and the University of Michigan, received terrific news from the Department of Defense. His proposal titled "Comprehensive molecular profiling of prostate cancer in African American population – unraveling molecular heterogeneity" was awarded under the DOD established investigator grant mechanism. Dr. Palanisamy is currently negotiating the contract with the DOD.



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