

## Announcements

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### 1999 ANNUAL MEETING

The AACR's Annual Meeting is one of the largest and most important annual gatherings of scientists engaged in cancer research worldwide. The next Annual Meeting will take place in Philadelphia, PA, April 10-14, 1999. The Chairperson of the Annual Meeting is Waun Ki Hong of the UT-M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. Co-Chairpersons are Carol W. Greider, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine; Joseph F. Fraumeni, Jr., National Cancer Institute; and Leroy Fong Liu, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

The Program Committee will invite outstanding scientists in the field to organize plenary sessions, symposia, scientific forums, and meet-the-expert sunrise sessions. It will also review proffered papers submitted by members of the cancer research community and will schedule acceptable ones in minisymposia, poster discussion sessions, and poster sessions. The deadline for submission of abstracts will be **November 6, 1998**. Further program information can be found on the AACR's Website (<http://www.aacr.org>).

### FUTURE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR CANCER RESEARCH

2000 April 1-5, San Francisco, CA  
2001 March 24-28, New Orleans, LA  
2002 April 6-10, San Francisco, CA

### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 1999 AACR-PEZCOLLER INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR CANCER RESEARCH

The AACR-Pezcoller International Award for Cancer Research is given annually to a scientist who has made a major scientific discovery in the field of cancer, who continues to be active in the field, and whose ongoing work holds promise for future contributions to cancer research. The Pezcoller Foundation was established in 1982 by Professor Alessio Pezcoller, a dedicated Italian surgeon who has made important contributions to medicine during his career and who, through his foresight, vision, and generous gift in support of the formation of the Foundation, stimulated others to make significant advances in cancer research. Over the past decade the Pezcoller Foundation has given a major award for outstanding contributions to cancer and cancer-related biomedical science.

The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) was founded in 1907 by eleven physicians and scientists dedicated to the conquest of cancer and now has over 13,500 members in more than 60 countries who are experts in basic, clinical, and translational cancer research. The AACR fulfills its mission in a variety of forums, including publications, meetings, and training and educational programs. Because of the commitment of the Foundation and the AACR to scientific excellence in cancer research, these two organizations are collaborating annually on the presentation of the award. This will strengthen international collaborations and will be a catalyst for advancements in cancer research internationally. Due to the successful implementation of this joint program in 1998, the Foundation and the AACR have agreed to give this award on an annual basis.

The awardee will be selected by an international committee of AACR members appointed by the AACR President with the agreement of the Council of the Pezcoller Foundation. Although normally the Award will be presented to a single investigator, in exceptional cases two individuals may be selected to share the award when their investigations have resulted in related prizeworthy work. The committee will make its selection solely on the basis of the awardee's scientific accomplishments without regard to race, gender, nationality, or religious or political views. The candidate will give an award lecture during the AACR Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, USA (April 10-14, 1999) and will receive the award in an official ceremony at the Foundation's headquarters in Trento, Italy, after the Annual Meeting. The award consists of an honorarium of \$75,000 and a commemorative plaque.

The Pezcoller Foundation and the AACR are now soliciting nominations for the 1999 Award. Nominations can be made by any scientist who is now or has been affiliated with an institution engaged in cancer research. Institutions or organizations are not eligible for this award, and candidates may not nominate themselves.

There is no official application form for this award. The nomination package should consist of the following:

- the candidate's curriculum vitae and full list of published works;
- an indication of the candidate's most important publication; and
- a letter of recommendation in English (500 words, maximum) explaining why the candidate is deserving of this prestigious Award. This letter should summarize the candidate's major scientific achievements, indicate which of the candidate's publications best describe these achievements, and explain the impact of these achievements on progress in cancer research.

Nominators are asked to maintain the confidentiality of the nomination process and to refrain from informing the candidate about the nomination.

The deadline for receipt of nominations by the AACR is **October 1, 1998**, for consideration for the 1999 Award. Questions about the nomination process should be directed to the AACR Office via FAX at (215) 440-9313 or E-mail at [aacr@aacr.org](mailto:aacr@aacr.org). Nominators should submit the original plus 15 copies of their nominations to:

AACR-Pezcoller International Award for Cancer Research  
c/o American Association for Cancer Research, Inc.  
Public Ledger Building, Suite 826  
150 South Independence Mall West  
Philadelphia, PA 19106-3483  
USA

### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR AACR AWARDS

The AACR presents six awards to distinguished scientists at its Annual Meeting. The Awards Committee, consisting of six separate subsections, will recommend candidates for each award to the AACR Executive Committee. Following is a description of each award. Members wishing to make nominations should provide a short description of the candidate's accomplishments; the subcommittee involved will obtain further documentation on suitable candidates. Nominations may be directed to the Association Office for forwarding to the appropriate subcommittee. This material should be received no later than **September 1, 1998**.

**Clowes Memorial Award.** The Eli Lilly Company established the Clowes Memorial Lecture to honor Dr. G. H. A. Clowes, who was a founding member of the AACR and a research director of Eli Lilly. The purpose of the award is to give "recognition of outstanding research accomplished in some recent period." The Clowes Award should recognize outstanding recent accomplishments in basic cancer research, and the Board of Directors construes this to mean both laboratory research and epidemiological investigations.

**Joseph H. Burchenal AACR Clinical Research Award.** Bristol-Myers Squibb has established this award to recognize outstanding achievements in clinical cancer research. It is named for Dr. Joseph H. Burchenal, past president and honorary member of the AACR and a leading figure in the field of cancer chemotherapy. There are no restrictions on the age or geographic location of the awardee.

**Richard and Hinda Rosenthal Foundation Award.** The Rosenthal Foundation has established this award to "recognize research which has made or gives the promise of soon making a notable contribution to improved clinical care in the field of cancer." The Foundation wishes to honor and provide incentive to young investigators relatively early in their careers. It has, therefore, stipulated that the Association restrict the award to individuals who are engaged in the practice of medicine, who reside in the Americas, and who will not be more than 50 years of age at the time of the award (April 1999).

**Rhoads Memorial Award.** In 1979, an anonymous donor established this award in memory of Dr. Cornelius P. Rhoads, a founder and the first Director

of the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research. This annual award is intended to give recognition to an "individual on the basis of meritorious achievement in cancer research." In accordance with the donor's wishes, the awardee must be a young investigator; therefore, the Board of Directors of the Association has stipulated that the recipient must not have reached his or her 41st birthday by the time of the award (April 1999).

**Cain Memorial Award.** The Warner-Lambert Company instituted this award to honor the memory of Dr. Bruce F. Cain of New Zealand for his work in the "design, synthesis, and biological evaluation of potential anticancer drugs." The purpose of the award is to "give recognition to an individual or research team for outstanding preclinical research that has implications for the improved care of cancer patients." Examples of such research include discovery of a significant new anticancer agent and major contributions to a compound's application as an antitumor agent. The award will recognize outstanding contributions in the fields of medicinal chemistry, biochemistry, or tumor biology as related to drug discovery; will encompass anticancer, antiviral, and antifungal agents; will have no age limit; and will be international in scope.

**American Cancer Society Award.** The American Cancer Society sponsors this award to honor outstanding achievements in the fields of epidemiology, biomarkers, and prevention. There are no age or geographical restrictions on the awardee.

### APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR 1999 AACR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The AACR Research Fellowships in Clinical, Translational, Basic, and Prevention Research foster meritorious cancer research in the Americas by young scientists currently at the postdoctoral or clinical research fellow level. The Research Fellowships provide either a one or two-year grant of \$30,000 per annum. Travel to the AACR Annual Meeting to accept the award is also provided. Fellowships are sponsored by Amgen, Inc., Bristol-Myers Squibb Oncology, Cancer Research Foundation of America, Kimmel Foundation for Cancer Research, and the AACR, among others.

Candidates must be nominated by a member of the AACR and must be an AACR member or apply for membership at the time the fellowship application is submitted. Candidates must have been fellows for at least two years but no more than five years prior to July 1999. Academic faculty holding the rank of assistant professor or higher, students, medical residents, permanent federal government employees, and employees of private industry are not eligible. The application deadline is **January 15, 1999**.

The application form and complete guidelines can be downloaded from the AACR Website: [www.aacr.org/fellowa.htm#b](http://www.aacr.org/fellowa.htm#b). Hard copies of these materials can also be requested; contact Jenny Anne Horst-Martz, American Association for Cancer Research, Public Ledger Building, Suite 826, 150 South Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106-3483; Phone: (215) 440-9300; Fax: (215) 440-9372; E-mail: [horst@aacr.org](mailto:horst@aacr.org).

### APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR GERTRUDE B. ELION CANCER RESEARCH AWARD

The AACR Gertrude B. Elion Cancer Research Award fosters meritorious basic, clinical, or translational cancer research in the United States or Canada by a not-yet-tenured, tenure-tracked scientist at the level of Assistant Professor. The one-year, \$30,000 grant is supported by an educational grant from Glaxo Wellcome Oncology. Travel to the AACR Annual Meeting to accept the award is also provided.

Candidates must be nominated by a member of the AACR. Tenured faculty, federal government employees, and employees of private industry are not eligible. The application deadline is **December 15, 1998**.

The application form and complete guidelines can be downloaded from the AACR Website: <http://www.aacr.org/fellowa.htm#a>. Hard copies of these materials can also be requested; contact Jenny Anne Horst-Martz, American Association for Cancer Research, Public Ledger Building, Suite 826, 150 South Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106-3483; Phone: (215) 440-9300; Fax: (215) 440-9372; E-mail: [horst@aacr.org](mailto:horst@aacr.org).

### AACR SPECIAL CONFERENCES IN CANCER RESEARCH

A number of meetings are now being organized in the AACR's series of smaller scientific meetings. Following are the topics, dates, locations, and program committees for these meetings. When full details of each meeting are available, AACR members will be the first to receive complete brochures and application forms for participation in these important conferences. Nonmembers may receive this information by sending their names and addresses to Meetings Mailing List, American Association for Cancer Research, Public Ledger Building, 150 South Independence Mall West, Suite 826, Philadelphia, PA 19106-3483. Up-to-date program information is also available via the Internet at the AACR's website (<http://www.aacr.org/confmc.html>).

#### CELLULAR TARGETS OF VIRAL CARCINOGENESIS

September 24–28, 1998

Marriott's Laguna Cliffs Resort, Dana Point, CA

##### Chairpersons

Thea D. Tlsty, San Francisco, CA  
Eileen P. White, Piscataway, NJ  
Don Ganem, San Francisco, CA  
Carol L. Prives, New York, NY

#### GENE REGULATION AND CANCER

(10th Anniversary of the AACR Special Conferences)

October 14–18, 1998

The Homestead, Hot Springs, VA

##### Chairpersons

Phillip A. Sharp, Cambridge, MA  
Jacqueline A. Lees, Cambridge, MA  
Steven L. McKnight, Dallas, TX

#### ENDOGENOUS SOURCES OF MUTATIONS

November 11–15, 1998

Sanibel Harbour Resort & Spa, Fort Myers, FL

##### Chairpersons

Lawrence J. Marnett, Nashville, TN  
James A. Swenberg, Chapel Hill, NC  
Tomas Lindahl, Herts, England

#### NEW RESEARCH APPROACHES TO THE PREVENTION AND CURE OF PROSTATE CANCER

December 2–6, 1998

Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Indian Wells (Palm Springs), CA

##### Co-Chairpersons

Jonathan W. Simons, Baltimore, MD  
Kenneth J. Pienta, Ann Arbor, MI

#### THE STEROID RECEPTOR SUPER FAMILY

January 8–12, 1999

Renaissance Esmeralda Resort, Indian Wells (Palm Springs), CA

##### Chairperson

M. Geoffrey Rosenfeld, La Jolla, CA

**CANCER BIOLOGY AND THE MUTANT MOUSE: NEW METHODS, NEW MODELS, NEW INSIGHTS.**

January 31–February 5, 1999

Keystone Resort and Conference Center, Keystone, CO

**Chairpersons**Tyler Jacks, Cambridge, MA  
Ronald A. DePinho, Bronx, NY**MOLECULAR DETERMINANTS OF SENSITIVITY TO ANTITUMOR AGENTS**

March 4–8, 1999

Whistler Resort &amp; Conference Center, Whistler, British Columbia, Canada

**Chairpersons**Michael B. Kastan, Memphis, TN  
I. David Goldman, Bronx, NY**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

National Foundation for Cancer Research 25th Anniversary Conference: "Basic Science: Research for a Cure and Prevention," September 13–16, 1998, Washington, DC. Contact: Joelle Polisky, Atkinson Public Relations. Phone: (615) 963-1306.

Microscopy/Photomicrography ATCC Workshop, September 23–25, 1998, ATCC Facility, Manassa, VA. Contact: Workshop Coordinator, 10801 University Blvd., Manassa, VA 20110. Phone: (800) 359-7370; Fax: (703) 365-2745; E-mail: workshop@atcc.org.

Tenth International Conference of the International Society of Differentiation, Inc., October 3–7, 1998, Adams Mark Hotel, Houston, TX. Contact: Conference Services, MD Anderson Cancer Center. Phone: (713) 792-2222; Fax: (713) 794-1724; E-mail: meetings@mdacc.tmc.edu.

Downstream Processing, Recovery and Purification of Proteins, October 21–23, 1998, ATCC Facility, Manassa, VA. Contact: Workshop Coordinator, 10801 University Blvd., Manassa, VA 20110. Phone: (800) 359-7370; Fax: (703) 365-2745; E-mail: workshop@atcc.org.

Assay Development, October 26–27, 1998, Philadelphia, PA. Contact: IBC Group plc. Phone: (508) 481-6400; Fax: (508) 481-7911; E-mail: reg@ibcusa.com; Website: www.ibcusa.com/conf/assay.

Gene Therapy, October 27–28, 1998, Washington, DC. Contact: IBC Group plc. Phone: (508) 481-6400; Fax: (508) 481-7911; E-mail: reg@ibcusa.com; Website: www.ibcusa.com/conf/genetherapy.

51st Annual Symposium on Fundamental Cancer Research: "Molecular Targets for Cancer Therapy and Prevention," October 27–30, 1998, JW Marriott, Houston, TX. Contact: Conference Services, MD Anderson Cancer Center. Phone: (713) 792-2222; Fax: (713) 794-1724; E-mail: meetings@mdacc.tmc.edu.

Recombinant DNA: Techniques and Applications, November 9–13, 1998, ATCC Facility, Manassa, VA. Contact: Workshop Coordinator, 10801 University Blvd., Manassa, VA 20110. Phone: (800) 359-7370; Fax: (703) 365-2745; E-mail: workshop@atcc.org.

Focus On: Autologous Blood Progenitor Cells, November 12–13, 1998, Palazzo De Andre, Ravenna, Italy. Contact: Organizing Secretariat, Augustea Srl, Via Mariani 7, 48100 Ravenna, Italy. Phone: 0544-216313; Fax: 0544-216270; E-mail: augustea@tin.it.

ADME & Toxicology, November 12–13, 1998, The Claremont Resort and Spa, Berkeley, CA. Contact: IBC Group plc. Phone: (508) 481-6400; Fax: (508) 481-7911; E-mail: reg@ibcusa.com; Website: www.ibcusa.com/conf/adme.

Advances in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology and Workshops, November 19–21, 1998, Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort, FL. Contact: Florida Association of Pediatric Tumor Programs, PO Box 17757, Tampa, FL 33682-7757. Phone: (813) 632-1309; E-mail: FAPTP@moffit.usf.edu.

1998 FDA Science Forum – Biotechnology: Advances, Applications, and Regulatory Challenges, December 8–9, 1998, Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. Contact: American Association of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Phone: (703) 518-8429; E-mail: meetings@aaps.org.

Cell Adhesion and Communication in Growth Control and Cancer, January 19–21, 1999, International Agency for Research on Cancer, Lyon, France. Contact: Meeting Secretariat, Dr. H. Yamasaki, Unit of Multistage Carcinogenesis, IARC, 150 cours Albert Thomas, 69372 Lyon Cedex 08, France. Phone (33) 472 73 84 96; Fax: (33) 472 73 84 42; E-mail: yamasaki@iarc.fr.