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About the Awards

The Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer's (SITC) 2024 awards celebrate the achievements of current and future leaders in the cancer immunotherapy field. The work of these dedicated individuals that include young investigators, luminaries, leading organizations, regulatory agencies and industry seeks to propel the field forward and build a solid foundation for future advances and soon, a cure.

About the *Forward* Fund

The future of cancer immunotherapy lies in research and education, primarily by early career scientists. The *Forward* Fund was established to stimulate the future of the science, development and application of cancer immunotherapy through financially supporting its education and research.

The Forward Fund provides grants that will help attract the brightest young minds in cancer and/or immunology research to the cancer immunotherapy domain. It informs those outside of the cancer immunotherapy field about the huge promise of this modality, which offers the potential of creating long-term remissions and/or prolongation of survival for people suffering from an expanding array of advanced cancer types.

The Forward Fund relies on the generosity of our members, foundations, industry partners and others to make these awards possible. Please contribute to ensure that we can keep providing these awards and ensure the future success of immunotherapy.

Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer's 2024 Awards

Fellows of the Academy of Immuno-Oncology

SITC Annual Awards

- Richard V. Smalley Memorial Award and Lectureship
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- Pedro J. Romero Service to *JITC* Award

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- NCI Immunotherapy Fellowship

Award Presentation Schedule

Friday, Nov. 8, 2024

7:55–8:20 a.m.

Session 101: Awards Ceremony 1

- 2024 Fellows of the Academy of Immuno-Oncology Recognition
- 2024 Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2024 Tara Withington Public Service Award
- 2024 Pedro J. Romero Service to *JITC* Award
- 2024 Steven A. Rosenberg Scholar Award

Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024

8:05–8:55 a.m.

Session 202: Richard V. Smalley Memorial Award and Lectureship

6:40–7:10 p.m.

Session 209: Awards Ceremony 2

- Connect-a-Colleague
- *JITC* Best Paper Awards
- *JITC* Peer Review Mentorship Program Class of 2024 Graduates
- Young Investigator Awards
- Martin “Mac” Cheever Excellence in Clinical Trial Design–Travel Awards
- SITC Fellowship Recipients
- Sparkathon Class of 2024 Recognition
- Presidential Travel Awards
- Presidential Award

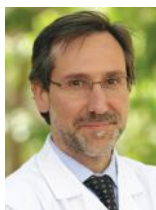
Fellows of the Academy of Immuno-Oncology

2024 Fellows

The Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) is pleased to announce the 2024 class of Fellows of the Academy of Immuno-Oncology (FAIO), one of the society's most prestigious honors. The Academy of Immuno-Oncology was established by SITC to honor individuals who have launched the field of cancer immunotherapy into the breakthrough cancer treatment it is today and bring together the brightest minds in the field to continue to advance SITC, the field, and the next generation of immuno-oncologists.



Glenn Dranoff, MD
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute



Antoni Ribas, MD, PhD
*University of California,
Los Angeles*



Thomas F. Gajewski, MD, PhD
University of Chicago



**Jedd Wolchok, MD, PhD,
FAACR, FASCO**
Weill Cornell Medicine



Ira Mellman, PhD
Genentech



Laurence Zitvogel, MD, PhD
*Gustave Roussy Cancer
Center*

2024 Richard V. Smalley Memorial Award and Lectureship

About the Smalley Award



The Richard V. Smalley Memorial Award and Lectureship is named in honor and memory of the past SITC president and charter member. A charter member of the society, Dr. Smalley was an integral part of SITC's fabric from its inception, serving on the original Board of Directors from 1984–1990, and as the society's third President from 1988–1990, leading the society through some of its most formative years.

Established in 2005, the SITC Smalley Award is given to a recognizable clinician/scientist and luminary in the field that has significantly contributed to the advancement of cancer immunotherapy research. The award honors those who have been pioneers in their work and made a notable impact worthy of high regard and recognition by their peers.

SITC is proud to recognize Elizabeth M. Jaffee, MD, FAIO, FAACR, FACP, FAAAS, as the 2024 recipient of the Richard V. Smalley Memorial Award and Lectureship.

About Dr. Jaffee



Dr. Jaffee is an internationally recognized expert in cancer immunology and pancreatic cancer. She is Deputy Director of the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins, Co-Director of the Skip Viragh Pancreatic Cancer Center and Associate Director of the Bloomberg Kimmel Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy. Her research focus is on developing novel immunotherapies for the treatment and prevention of

pancreatic cancer. Dr. Jaffee is a Past President of AACR. She has served on a number of committees at the National Cancer Institute, including the co-chair of the Biden Moonshot Blue Ribbon Panel which identified high impact research priorities for the NCI. She currently serves as Chief Medical Advisor to the Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research. She is the inaugural director of the Convergence Institute for Integrating Technologies and Computational Sciences at Johns Hopkins. Dr. Jaffee is a member of the National Academy of Medicine, a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, a Fellow of American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Fellow of the SITC Academy of Immuno-Oncology and a Fellow of the AACR Academy. Most recently, she was appointed as chair of President Biden's Cancer Panel.

2024 SITC Annual Awards

2024 SITC Lifetime Achievement Award

This nominated award recognizes an outstanding SITC member or collaborator who has made significant impact on SITC’s development and mission.



Bernard A. Fox, PhD
Earle A. Chiles Research Institute, Providence Cancer Institute

2024 Tara Withington Public Service Award

Awarded to individual or group who fosters and enhances the field through increasing public understanding, awareness, research efforts and/or funding.



Deborah Collyar, B.Sci
Patient Advocates in Research (PAIR)

2024 Pedro J. Romero Service to JITC Award

This nominated award recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions and demonstrated outstanding commitment to the *Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer (JITC)* — the official journal of the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer.



Andrea Kunz
Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer

Steven A. Rosenberg Scholars Award

Celebrating the Steven A. Rosenberg Scholars Fund



In honor of his many contributions to cancer immunotherapy, the **Steven A. Rosenberg Endowed Scholars Fund** was established in 2020 to provide research support to emerging leaders in the field.

After completing surgical residency training in 1974, Dr. Rosenberg became the Chief of Surgery at the National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health - a position he still holds today. As Chief of Surgery, he oversees an extensive clinical program to translate scientific advances into effective immunotherapies for patients with cancer.

Dr. Rosenberg pioneered the first effective immunotherapies and gene therapies for patients with advanced cancers, resulting in durable complete remission for patients with metastatic melanoma. He has also inspired and mentored hundreds of early career scientists. SITC is pleased to recognize him with this lasting legacy of science.

2024 Rosenberg Scholar



Benoit Rousseau, MD, PhD
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center



2024 *Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer (JITC)* Best Paper Awards

The annual *Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer (JITC)* best paper awards celebrate excellence in scientific research and are awarded to researchers demonstrating leadership in the field as well as innovation and high-quality execution and discussion in their manuscripts. Original research published between August 16, 2023, and August 15, 2024, were eligible for nomination of these awards.

JITC Best Basic Tumor Immunology Paper Award

Articles nominated in this category cover tumor antigens, innate and adaptive anti-tumor immune mechanisms, immune regulation, immune response, cancer and inflammation, preclinical models, chemotherapy and radiotherapy interactions/combinations of chemotherapy and radiotherapy, and other combination treatments with the antitumor immune response.

“C1q⁺ tumor-associated macrophages contribute to immunosuppression through fatty acid metabolic reprogramming in malignant pleural effusion”

Siyu Zhang, Wenbei Peng, Haolei Wang, Xuan Xiang, Linlin Ye, Xiaoshan Wei, Zihao Wang, Qianqian Xue, Long Chen, Yuan Su, Qiong Zhou



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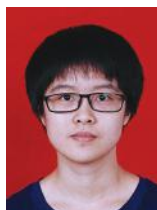
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Haolei Wang, PhD
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JITC Best Clinical/Translational Immunotherapy Paper

Articles in this category present clinical research that has a clear potential to optimize patient care, with particular emphasis on high-quality randomized control trials, novel combination therapies, novel diagnostic or prognostic insights, and new insights into mechanisms of action.

“Efficacy, safety, and biomarker analysis of nivolumab in combination with abemaciclib plus endocrine therapy in patients with HR-positive HER2-negative metastatic breast cancer: a phase II study (WJOG11418B NEWFLAME trial)”

Jun Masuda, Hitomi Sakai, Junji Tsurutani, Yuko Tanabe, Norikazu Masuda, Tsutomu Iwasa, Masato Takahashi, Manabu Futamura, Koji Matsumoto, Kenjiro Aogi, Hiroji Iwata, Mari Hosonaga, Toru Mukohara, Kiyoshi Yoshimura, Chiyo K Imamura, Sakiko Miura, Toshiko Yamochi, Hidetaka Kawabata, Hiroyuki Yasojima, Nobumoto Tomioka, Kenichi Yoshimura, Toshimi Takano



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Jun Masuda, MD

*The Cancer Institute Hospital of Japanese
Foundation for Cancer Research*



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JITC Best Immune Cell Therapies and Immune Cell Engineering Paper

Articles in this category discuss approaches, new targets, novel functionalities, clinical trial results, correlative studies in patients who have received cell-based therapies, novel engineering strategies (molecular switches, conditional expression, logic gating), gene-edited cells to knock out or knock in novel functions, and/or synthetic gene circuits.

“Neoantigen-specific CD4⁺ tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes are potent effectors identified within adoptive cell therapy products for metastatic melanoma patients”

MacLean S. Hall, Jamie K. Teer, Xiaoqing Yu, Holly Branthoover, Sebastian Snedal, Madeline Rodriguez-Valentin, Luz Nagle, Ellen Scott, Ben Schachner, Patrick Innamarato, Amy M. Hall, Jamie Blauvelt, Carolyn J. Rich, Allison D. Richards, Jake Ceccarelli, TJ Langer, Sean J. Yoder, Matthew S. Beatty, Cheryl A. Cox, Jane L. Messina, Daniel Abate-Daga, James J. Mule, John E. Mullinax, Amod A. Sarnaik, Shari Pilon-Thomas



Presented to First Author:



MacLean S. Hall, PhD
*H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and
Research Institute*



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JITC Best Immunotherapy Biomarkers Paper

Articles in this category present predictive/prognostic biomarker studies, gene expression studies in cancer immunotherapy, serological immune biomarkers, multiparameter flow cytometry-defined immune biomarkers, high content immunohistological studies, and/or clinical trial analyses and identification of novel immune biomarkers.

“T-cell receptor beta variable gene polymorphism predicts immunerelated adverse events during checkpoint blockade immunotherapy”

Betty Stephen, Joud Hajjar, Shruti Sarda, Dzifa Yawa Duose, Jeffrey M Conroy, Carl Morrison, Anas Alshawa, Mingxuan Xu, Abdulrazzak Zarifa, Sapna P Patel, Ying Yuan, Evan Kwiatkowski, Linghua Wang, Jordi Rodon Ahnert, Siqing Fu, Funda Meric- Bernstam, Geoffrey M Lowman, Timothy Looney, Aung Naing



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Betty Stephen, MBBS

*The University of Texas MD Anderson
Cancer Center*



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JITC Best Oncolytic and Local Immunotherapy Paper

Articles in this category focus on the role of therapeutic agents designed for targeting tumor cells and/or the tumor microenvironment. This includes oncolytic viruses, microbial agents, innate immune agonists, direct and systemically delivered proteins and DNA/RNA products that act within established tumors. Articles on translational and clinical investigation involving new oncolytic immunotherapy agents or those that include an oncolytic approach as part of combination therapeutic regimens are also represented.

“Tg6050, an oncolytic vaccinia virus encoding interleukin-12 and anti-CTLA-4 antibody, favors tumor regression via profound immune remodeling of the tumor microenvironment”

Fadi Azar, Jules Deforges, Christelle Demeusot, Patricia Kleinpeter, Christelle Remy, Nathalie Silvestre, Johann Foloppe, Laetitia Fend, Clémentine Spring-Giusti, Eric Quéméneur, Jean-Baptiste Marchand



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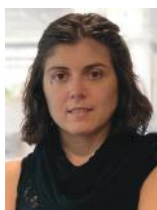
Fadi Azar
Transgene SA



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2024 *JITC* Peer Review Mentorship Program Graduates

Graduates of the *JITC*'s Peer Review Mentorship Program worked with mentors to learn the basics and best practices in scientific paper review with hands-on, real-time experience that has prepared them for future success in scientific writing and evaluation.



Carmen Aguilar-Gurrieri, PhD
IrsiCaixa



David Chen, MD
Providence Cancer Institute



**Benedict Boateng
Antuamwine, PhD**
University Hospital Essen



Yingshi Chen, MD
*Children's Hospital
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*Leiden University
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Stacey Doran, MD
National Cancer Institute



Sachin Chauhan, PhD
Hannover Medical School



Guilia Escobar, PhD
National Cancer Institute



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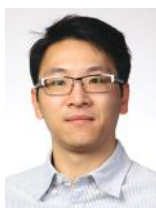
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City of London*



Esin Aysel Kandemir
*Carl von Ossietzky University
of Oldenburg*



Sagnik Giri, PhD
*University of Alabama
at Birmingham*



Calvin Lam
*University of Nebraska
Medical Center*



**Ana Karen Gutierrez Garcia,
PhD**
National Cancer Institute



Myrto Moutafi, MD
Attikon University Hospital



Leila Haghani, PhD
*Memorial Sloan Kettering
Cancer Center*



Aleksander Murgaski, PhD
King's College London



Shabbir Hussain, MD
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Hospital*



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*Washington University
St. Louis*



Vijay Ulaganathan, PhD
University of Tuebingen



Anna Salamero Boix
Georg Speyer Haus



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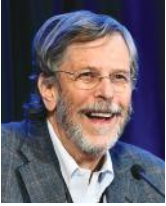
Thank you to *JITC*'s 2024 mentors!

Esra Akbay, PhD; Pedro Berraondo, PharmD, PhD; Praveen Bommarreddy, PhD; Alessio Cortellini, MD, PhD; Julia Cuende, PhD; Noel de Miranda, PhD; Sofia Gameiro, PhD; Francois Ghiringhelli, PhD; Hongbo Hu, PhD; Oliver Kepp, PhD; Khashayarsha Khazaie, PhD, DSc; Yangqiu Li, MD; Il Minn, PhD; Paola Nistico, MD; Takayuri Ohkuri, PhD; Ravi Patel, MD, PhD; Graham Pawelec, PhD; Nirali Shah, MD; Walter Storkus, PhD; Thorbold van Hall, PhD



Yao Zhu, MD, PhD
*Fudan University Shanghai
Cancer Center*

2024 Martin “Mac” Cheever Excellence in Clinical Trial Design– Travel Awards



Established in 2022 in loving memory of Dr. Martin “Mac” Cheever, this fund recognizes his many contributions to the field of cancer immunotherapy by providing travel awards to deserving early career investigators pursuing excellence in clinical trial design.

Each year, SITC will seek the best and brightest in the field to continue Dr. Cheever’s passion for improving clinical trials through the Martin “Mac” Cheever Excellence in Clinical Trial Design–Travel Awards. Recipients will look to advance the science of immunotherapy through simple and elegant trial design.

2024 Cheever Award Recipients



Luigi Lorini, MD
IRCCS Humanitas Research Hospital



Yun Kyoung (Claire) Tiger, MD, PhD
Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey

2024 Connect-a-Colleague Top Referrer

The Connect-a-Colleague program encourages SITC members to refer potential members personally to SITC. An online tool makes it easy for members to refer multiple potential members. New members are also encouraged to indicate the SITC members who referred them for membership. SITC received over 330 referrals in 2024.



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Praveen K. Bommareddy, MS, PhD, Bpharm
Replimune, Inc.

SITC Sparkathon Class of 2024

This impactful program brings together early career investigators with established leaders in cancer immunotherapy to foster leadership development, collaborations and scientific exchange.

The accepted applicants below will participate in a two-part program with an in-person retreat and symposium at SITC 2024.



Meriem Belabed, PhD
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai



Alexandra Dreyzin, MS, MD
National Institute of Health



Mara De Martion, PhD
Weill Cornell Medicine



Devikala Gurusamy, PhD
National Institute of Health



Carlos Wagner de Souza Wanderley, DVM PhD
Brigham & Women's Hospital



Jaeseung Hahn
Columbia University

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**Imene Hamaidi, PhD,
PharmD**
Mayo Clinic



Innes Mota, PhD
Weill Cornell Medicine



Ann Hanna, PhD
*Vanderbilt University
Medical Center*



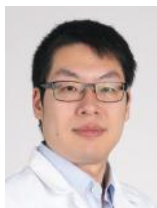
Abir Mukherjee, PhD
University of Chicago



Juyeun Lee, PhD
*Cleveland Clinic, Lerner
Research Institute*



**Elise Nassif Haddad, MD,
PhD**
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Anderson Cancer Center*



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University of Pittsburgh



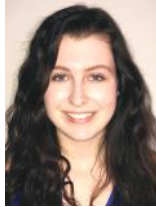
Geoffrey Markowitz, PhD
Weill Cornell Medicine

2024 SITC Abstract Travel Awards

Created in 2007, the Abstract Travel Award highlights promising young investigators who submitted high-scoring abstracts to the SITC Annual Meeting, based on the quality of their research and potential to advance the field. In 2024, 39 young investigators will receive travel awards in the abstract travel and presidential travel categories.



Alessandra Araujo, PhD
University of Texas at Austin



Anna Cole, BA
Emory University



M. Angela Aznar Gomez, PhD
University of Pennsylvania



Mara De Martino, PhD
Weill Cornell Medicine



Mehdi Chaib, PhD
*The University of Texas MD
Anderson Cancer Center*



Amanda Finck, BS
University of Pennsylvania



**Youngseok Cho, Pharm D,
PhD**
University of Michigan



Athena Golfinos-Owens, BS
*University of Wisconsin-
Madison*

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Adam Grippin, MD, PhD
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Golnaz Morad, DDS, PhD
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Ayana Ruffin, PhD
Emory University



Adam Nelson, PhD
*Brigham and Woman's
Hospital; Department of
Surgery, Harvard Medical
School*



Miriam Saffern
Mount Sinai



Juan Osorio, MD
*Memorial Sloan Kettering
Cancer Center*



Lucia Sereni, PhD
*Boston Children's Hospital;
Harvard Medical School;
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute*



Matthew Park, PhD
*Icahn School of Medicine at
Mount Sinai*



Manvi Sharma, PhD
*The University of Texas MD
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Dimitrios Sidiropoulos, PhD
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Portia Smith
University of Wisconsin-Madison



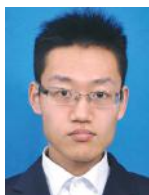
Max Wang
Northwestern University



Aastha Sobti, PhD
University of Pittsburgh



Xinan Wang, PhD, MS
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health



Yapeng Su, PhD
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center



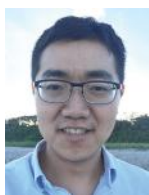
Bogang Wu, PhD
Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, Harvard Medical School



Katherine Ventre
NYU Langone Health



Han Zang, PhD
University of California, San Francisco



Chao Wang
The Scripps Research Institute

2024 SITC Presidential Travel Awards

Presidential Travel Award recipients' abstracts are the top scoring among those submitted for the Annual Meeting by young investigators, based on quality of research, excellence in results and methods, and the potential of their work to advance the field. Of the four recipients pictured below, one is selected to receive the SITC Presidential Award.

Of the four recipients pictured below, one is selected to receive the SITC Presidential Award recognizing the most outstanding oral abstract presentation.



Tatiana Delgado Cruz, MD
*Weill Cornell Medical
College*



Catherine Phelps, MS
*University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine*



Dipyaman Patra, PhD
University of Pittsburgh



Hieu Ta, PhD
Cleveland Clinic Foundation

2024 SITC Presidential Award

Established in 1991, the SITC Presidential Award is the most prestigious Young Investigator Award recognizing the young investigator deemed to have the most outstanding oral abstract presentation among those delivered in the Presidential Session of the SITC Annual Meeting.

The Presidential Award recipient will be announced at the Award Ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024 at 6:40–7:10 p.m. CST.

2024 SITC Fellowships

The SITC *Forward* Fund is pleased to announce the recipients of 2024 SITC Fellowships, to support the next generation of cancer immunotherapy and tumor immunology experts through dedicated funding of impactful research.

The SITC Fellowships were established through the *Forward* Fund to support the development of early career investigators in the field to cultivate the next generation of cancer immunotherapy experts. Since 2014, SITC has committed more than \$6 million in funding to deserving investigators with industry partnerships

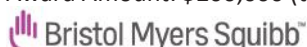
SITC-Bristol Myers Squibb Postdoctoral Cancer Immunotherapy Translational Fellowship

“Enhancing ALK. CAR-T efficacy in solid tumors”



Elisa Bergaggio, PhD
Boston Children’s Hospital

Award Amount: \$200,000 (two-year)



SITC-MRA Women in Melanoma Fellowship

“Identification of the next generation of microbiome therapeutics in combination with immune checkpoint blockade to improve outcomes for patients with melanoma”



Arielle Elkrif, MD
University of Montreal

Award Amount: \$200,000 (two-year)



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SITC-Merck Cancer Immunotherapy Clinical Fellowship

“Enhancing Tumor-Immune Interactions in Breast Cancer via an Immunostimulatory Antibody-Drug Conjugate”



Benjamin R. Schrank, MD, PhD

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Award Amount: \$100,000 (one-year)



SITC Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Cancer Immunotherapy Fellowship

“Leveraging DNA Methylation Signatures to Decode Clinical Responses to Immune Checkpoint Blockade in Glioblastoma”



Victor Arrieta, MD, PhD

Northwestern University

Award Amount: \$100,000 (one-year)



2024 SITC Fellowships *(continued)*

SITC-Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals Adverse Events in Cancer Immunotherapy Clinical Fellowship

“Epitope edited Hematopoietic Stem Cells to Eliminate On-target/Off-tumor Toxicity”



Gabriele Casirati, MD, PhD
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Award Amount: \$40,000 (one-year)



2024 NCI Immunotherapy Fellowship



Matthew Rosenthal, MD
The George Washington University

Award: Co-Sponsored by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and SITC, made possible in part by an educational grant from EMD Serono. This one-year program allows the fellow to have exposure to multiple clinical immunotherapeutic approaches and also to key opinion leaders in the field of clinical immunotherapy.

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The Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer would like to thank all of the individuals, corporations and foundations who have generously donated this year to the *Forward* Fund.

Your generous donations* are paving the way for the future leaders in the cancer immunotherapy field.

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