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Welcome

Welcome to the 2023 AACI/CCAF Annual Meeting! This three-day meeting offers AACI members an opportunity to network with cancer center colleagues, national cancer research and advocacy groups, industry, and government health agencies to develop solutions to common challenges. This year's conference also featured two pre-event sessions for new cancer center directors and those who are interested in improving diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts at their institutions.

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to our newest cancer center member, LSU-LCMC Health Cancer Center, and to the new members of AACI's Board of Directors, Drs. Edward Chu, Raymond N. DuBois, and Yolanda Sanchez. I would like to express my deep appreciation to Dr. Caryn Lerman for her leadership of AACI over the last two and a half years. Dr. Lerman's AACI presidential leadership diversity and development initiative has been a great success, and will continue with the second cohort in March of 2024. I'd also like to express AACI's appreciation for outgoing board members, Drs. Roy A. Jensen and Cornelia Ulrich, and congratulate Dr. Joann B. Sweasy, AACI's new vice president/president-elect.

We are pleased to recognize the research achievements of Dr. Patricia LoRusso with this year's Distinguished Scientist Award. Dr. LoRusso will describe her personal journey as a clinical researcher. We will also present Dana Dornsife with the AACI Champion for Cures Award, recognizing her tireless work on behalf of the Lazarex Cancer Foundation. Ms. Dornsife is a generous supporter of community outreach and engagement efforts to increase access to cancer care and clinical trials in minority and disadvantaged communities. Dr. Amelie Ramirez will receive the AACI Cancer Health Equity Award to recognize her efforts to improve equity and diversity in cancer clinical trial recruitment, community outreach, and preventive cancer care.

This year's meeting program features panel discussions on enhancing diversity at cancer centers; dismantling barriers to cancer care; and expanding the impact of global oncology. Additionally, AACI's basic science cancer center members will share updates on their pioneering research, and AACI Vice President/President-elect Dr. Robert A. Winn will provide an overview of his new presidential initiative.

The program was jointly formulated by AACI and the Cancer Center Administrators Forum (CCAF). I am thankful for the hard work and expertise of the 2023 AACI/CCAF Annual Meeting Program Committee and to Dr. Primo N. Lara, who chaired the committee. I also extend my deep gratitude to the AACI staff who helped make this meeting possible.

Sincerely,
Jennifer W. Pegher
Executive Director

Agenda

All sessions will be held in the Grand Ballroom, except where indicated.

Sunday, October 1

11:00 am **Registration and Exhibits Open**
Grand Foyer

1:00 pm **Welcome and AACI Business Meeting**

Dr. Caryn Lerman
USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center

Jennifer W. Pegher
Association of American Cancer Institutes

David M. Gosky
*The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center –
The James*

Dr. Matthew Huesser
Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson Health

Dr. Primo N. Lara, Jr.
UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center

1:45 pm **Keynote: The Best Cancer is the Cancer That
Never Happens**

Dr. Philip E. Castle, director of the Division of Cancer Prevention (DCP) at the National Cancer Institute, will provide an update on DCP initiatives with a focus on the benefits and challenges of cancer screening, including detecting precancerous lesions in the era of minimally invasive tests like liquid biopsies.

Moderator: Dr. Primo N. Lara
UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. Philip E. Castle
National Cancer Institute

2:45 pm **Networking Break**
Supported by The Ohio State University
Comprehensive Cancer Center – The James
Grand Foyer

3:10 pm **Executing Plans to Enhance Diversity: Results From a National Survey**

Attendees will hear results of a national survey of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) leaders that assessed strategies and challenges in enhancing diversity at cancer centers, as well as recruitment strategies, DEI education and training, future plans, and other metrics.

Dr. Christopher Li
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center

3:30 pm **The SCOTUS Affirmative Action Ruling: Gauging the Impact on Cancer Centers**

In handing down new restrictions on race-conscious admissions this past summer, the U.S. Supreme Court shined a bright light on criteria currently used at colleges and medical schools to determine who can attend. In this session, panelists will consider the impact of the court's decision on cancer centers and efforts to increase minority accrual in clinical trials and diversify the oncology workforce.

Moderator: Dr. Robert A. Winn
VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. David Acosta
Association of American Medical Colleges

Kevin D. Williams, Esq.
National Institutes of Health

4:00 pm **Update on the NCI Cancer Centers Program**

Dr. Henry Ciolino will lead a discussion about the National Cancer Institute's (NCI) goals for the national cancer research enterprise and provide updates on NCI funding at AACI cancer centers.

Dr. Henry Ciolino
National Cancer Institute

5:00 pm **ACCA (CCAF) Business Meeting (closed session)**
Gallery Ballroom A

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5:00 pm **11th Annual AACI Physician Clinical Leadership Initiative (PCLI) Meeting: Bridging the Divide Between Cancer Centers and Cancer Service Lines**

Optimal coordination of patient care between hospitals, clinics, infusion centers, pharmacies, and ancillary services is a hallmark of the nation's top cancer centers. In this session, panelists will outline the functions of a cancer service line, how it is defined by the National Cancer Institute, and how service lines at their respective centers are organized, particularly in terms of governance and structure, financial arrangements, and metrics.

Moderator: Dr. Paula Fracasso
VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. Rondeep Brar
Stanford Cancer Center

Dr. Seungjean Chai
Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. Andrew Chapman
Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson Health

6:00 – 7:30 pm **Welcome Reception**
Supported by [Integra Connect](#)
Grand Lawn (weather permitting) /Ballroom Foyer

Monday, October 2

7:00 am **Breakfast**
Gallery Ballroom

7:00 am **AACI Cancer Center Directors Breakfast** (invitation only)
Phillips

8:30 am **AACI Presidential Initiative**

AACI Vice President/President-elect Dr. Robert A. Winn will present plans for his presidential initiative, during which he aims to work with cancer centers, universities, and other stakeholders to develop a "roadmap" for inclusive excellence.

Dr. Robert Winn
VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center

9:00 am **Dismantling Barriers to Cancer Care**

Across the cancer care continuum, cancer centers and organizations face challenges in reaching underserved communities – particularly those coping with persistent poverty. Panelists will share how their institutions are addressing these challenges, from public health policy to screening, early detection, and clinical trial participation.

Co-moderator: Dr. Kelvin Lee

Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Comprehensive Cancer Center

Co-moderator: Rae Ann Paden

University of New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. Debra Friedman

Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center

Dr. Rian Hasson

Dartmouth Cancer Center

Dr. Gary Puckrein

National Minority Quality Forum

10:00 am **Exploring New Ways to Enhance Diversity at Cancer Centers**

For AACI's member cancer centers, diversity, equity, and inclusion are key components in the push to accelerate progress against cancer. In this session, representatives from selected centers will describe how they are enhancing diversity, emphasizing specific strategies applicable to patients, leadership, staff, and associated partners, as well as initiatives to expand clinical trial access to all members of the community.

Co-moderator: Dr. Hannah Hazard-Jenkins

WVU Cancer Center

Co-moderator: John Pounardjian

Case Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. Adebola A. Adedimeji

Montefiore Einstein Comprehensive Cancer Center

Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

University of Wisconsin Carbone Cancer Center

Dr. Lovoria Williams

UK Markey Cancer Center

11:00 am **Break**

Grand Foyer

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11:15 am **2023 AACI Distinguished Scientist Award**
The Making of a Clinical Researcher: A Personal Journey
Gallery Ballroom

Moderator: Dr. Joann B. Sweasy
The University of Arizona Cancer Center

Dr. Patricia LoRusso
Yale Cancer Center, Yale School of Medicine

12:15 pm **Lunch and AACI Awards Presentation**
Gallery Ballroom

2023 Cancer Health Equity Award
Dr. Amelie Ramirez
Mays Cancer Center at UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson

2023 AACI Champion for Cures Award
Dana Dornsife
Lazarex Cancer Foundation

2023 AACI Public Service Awards
Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)
Representative Neal Dunn (R-FL)

1:15 pm **Networking and Dessert Break**
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Grand Foyer

1:45 pm **Expanding the Impact of Global Oncology**

With about 65 percent of cancer deaths worldwide occurring in low- and middle-income countries (LMIC), controlling global cancer requires confronting cancer in these countries. To that end, a recent survey of NCI-Designated Cancer Centers found that about 90 percent of centers engage in global oncology activities. Panelists will describe the global oncology programs at their institutions, with particular focus on LMICs and the need for enhanced coordination and funding.

Moderator: Dr. Patrick Loehrer
Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Comprehensive Cancer Center

Dr. Satish Gopal
National Cancer Institute

Dr. Stephen Kimani
Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah

Dr. Martin Lajous
National Institute of Public Health (Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública)

Dr. Elias Melly
National Cancer Institute of Kenya

2:00 pm **AACI Government Relations Forum**
(Session not CME accredited; pre-registration required)
Hillwood

The Government Relations Forum provides an opportunity for attendees to network and discuss timely public policy topics. The meeting will feature compelling speakers from government, consulting firms, and AACI cancer centers.

2:45 pm **Research and Development at Basic Science Centers**

AACI's basic science center members focus on laboratory research and translate their findings to better cancer treatments. Directors from these centers will highlight innovative research discoveries that are accelerating progress against cancer.

Moderator: Dr. Matthew Vander Heiden
Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research at MIT

Dr. Dario Altieri
Ellen and Ronald Caplan Cancer Center of The Wistar Institute

Dr. Rohit Bhargava
Cancer Center at Illinois

Dr. Karolina Palucka
The Jackson Laboratory Cancer Center

Dr. Ze'ev Ronai
Sanford Burnham Prebys Medical Discovery Institute

3:45 pm **Break**
Grand Foyer

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4:00 pm **Collaboration Fueling Innovation**

This session will look at several key issues around the National Cancer Institute's Cancer Center Support Grant, including ways centers can more effectively collaborate; how consortium collaborations enhance the cancer center mission; the interconnectedness of cancer research training and education coordination, community outreach and engagement, and diversity, equity, and inclusion; and how all parties that interact with these groups can work together.

Moderator: Dr. Matthew Huesser

Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson Health

Dr. Wendy Law

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center

Michelle Lin

VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center

Rae Ann Paden

University of New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Center

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Case Comprehensive Cancer Center

5:00 pm **Vendor Presentation: Triomics** **Call for Collaboration: Building a ChatGPT for Oncology** (Session not CME accredited)

Hirshhorn

Large Language Models, such as OpenAI's ChatGPT, have taken the world by storm. However, their lack of understanding of clinical datasets has hindered their applications in clinical care and research. Against this backdrop, Triomics, in partnership with several leading cancer centers and Ci4CC, is spearheading the development of a specialized oncology-focused large language model. This model aims to assist the wider community by facilitating the use of data embedded in clinical notes for applications such as patient matching and data abstraction for EDC entry in clinical trials. Join this session to learn more about the collaboration, its structure, and how your cancer center can potentially participate and benefit.

Sarim Khan

Triomics

8:00 – 10:00 pm **Hospitality**
Supported by Florence

Tuesday, October 3

7:00 am **Breakfast**
Gallery Ballroom

8:00 am **ARPA-H: A New Mechanism for Supporting Cancer Research**

This session will provide an overview of the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H) and its potential for advancing innovative and transformative technologies in cancer research and care, including advancing the development of cancer drugs, biomarkers, vaccines, and multicancer early detection blood tests.

Ileana Hancu
Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health

8:30 am **Improving Cancer Center Interactions With Elected Officials and Federal Agencies**

Cancer centers are continuously seeking ways to guide policy at the state, local, and federal levels. Panelists will describe policy areas of interest for cancer centers and what steps they are taking to educate policymakers and the public.

Co-moderator: Dr. Edward Chu
Montefiore Einstein Comprehensive Cancer Center

Co-moderator: Erik Fatemi
Cornerstone Government Affairs

Laura Bozell
Cornerstone Government Affairs

Laura Friedel
Tarplin, Downs & Young, LLC

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9:30 am **Break**
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9:45 am Clinical Trial Activation: Simple is Better

Optimizing “time to activation” of clinical trial protocols, including implementing “just in time” activation mechanisms for trials in rare and uncommon tumors, can reduce clinical trial complexity and regulatory burden. Panelists will also consider the impact of extended trial activation on patient participation and clinical trial office staffing issues like retention and burnout.

Co-moderator: Dr. Suresh Ramalingam
Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University

Co-moderator: Michelle Lin
VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center

Alison Ivey
University of Florida Health Cancer Center

Dr. Monica Joshi
Penn State Cancer Institute

Mark Morrow
University of Colorado Cancer Center

10:45 am National Cancer Institute Director’s Report

Dr. Monica Bertagnoli
National Cancer Institute

11:45 am Adjourn

Continuing Medical Education

Joint Providership Statement

Jointly provided by the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) and the Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI).

Accreditation

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Statement of Educational Need, Target Audience, and Learning Objectives

Despite enormous progress in the field, cancer continues to be a global public health challenge, accounting for one in every six deaths that occur around the world. In the United States alone, it is predicted that more than 600,000 people will die from some form of cancer in 2023, making it the second most common cause of death after heart disease.

Continuing Medical Education

With the quickening pace of discoveries in basic, translational, and clinical research, the battle against cancer is rapidly moving forward. This is due in large part to the advent of new technologies, such as liquid biopsies, and our growing knowledge about how to activate the immune system to develop new immunotherapies. However, understanding and combating cancer requires leadership armed with up-to-date information about advanced technology and proven methods for its implementation.

Planned Goals and Objectives for the Education

Researchers, physicians, and other health care professionals who attend the meeting should be able to summarize the program content, discuss its application in clinical practice, and convey the information to faculty and staff at their cancer centers. As part of the program's learning objectives, all attendees should be able to describe and discuss:

- The National Cancer Institute's (NCI) Division of Cancer Prevention initiatives, including the benefits and challenges of cancer screening, and how to detect precancerous lesions in the era of minimally invasive tests like liquid biopsies
 - Optimal methods of delivering cancer care to patients in communities facing persistent poverty
 - Research at basic science cancer centers
 - Ways to diversify cancer centers' faculty and workforce
 - Compliance with current NCI Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG) guidelines
 - Global oncology programs with a focus on low- and middle-income countries
 - The Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H) and its potential for advancing innovative and transformative technologies in cancer research and care
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Awardee Profiles

2023 AACI Distinguished Scientist Award



Patricia LoRusso, DO
Yale Cancer Center
Yale School of Medicine

Patricia LoRusso, DO, is professor of medicine, associate center director for experimental therapeutics, and leader of the Early Phase Clinical Trials Division at Yale Cancer Center and Smilow Cancer Hospital. An internationally recognized expert in drug development and early-phase clinical investigation of novel therapies, Dr. LoRusso has contributed to crucial therapeutic

breakthroughs for patients with cancer. She was integrally involved in the early development of more than two dozen anti-cancer agents that are now FDA approved and has pioneered trial designs that have led to more efficient clinical drug development strategies and enhanced accessibility for underrepresented populations.

Dr. LoRusso is currently president-elect of the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) and chair of the New Agents Committee for Cancer Research UK; has served as chair and member of the National Cancer Institute (NCI)-CTEP Investigational Drug Steering Committee; and, by NCI invitation, serves as the current co-director of the Board of Scientific Council (BSC) (Clinical Sciences and Epidemiology). She has published over 300 peer-reviewed articles in highly respected journals of science and medicine, including the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Science Translational Medicine*, *Science Reports*, *Lancet Oncology*, *Clinical Cancer Research*, and the *Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

Past AACI Distinguished Scientist honorees include Drs. Elizabeth M. Jaffee; Judy E. Garber; William G. Kaelin, Jr.; Douglas R. Lowy; Charles Perou; Carl June; James Allison; and Lewis Cantley.

Awardee Profiles

2023 AACI Champion for Cures Award



Dana Dornsife
Lazarex Cancer Foundation

Dana Dornsife, founder and chief mission and strategy officer of the Lazarex Cancer Foundation, is a devoted and generous supporter of community outreach and engagement efforts to increase access to cancer care and clinical trials in minority and disadvantaged communities in Los Angeles County. To close the cancer disparities gap, her transformative gifts created the Lazarex Impact Program to foster participation in

clinical trials and Cancer Wellness Hubs.

The Cancer Wellness Hub initiative is a place-based, community-led, and culturally appropriate model of engagement which provides education and navigation services for cancer prevention, screening, and treatment, and removes transportation and financial barriers to increase access to clinical trials and optimal care. Specially-trained Neighborhood Health Ambassadors help ensure that community residents feel welcome and valued, and are treated with respect and dignity. The Lazarex Foundation also supports sites in San Francisco (UCSF) and in Philadelphia (Abramson Cancer Center), with national expansion planned in the future.

Dornsife participates in regular team meetings to optimize the success of the initiative. Her steadfast focus on improving the health and quality of life for diverse and underserved populations is unique among donors, and she "walks the walk" by participating actively at every level of the program, including development, implementation, and evaluation. She has also inspired others, including Amgen, which has become a key sponsor of this work.

The Champion for Cures Award was established as an annual award in 2018 to recognize philanthropic support of AACI cancer centers. Previous recipients are Pelotonia, Sidney and Caroline Kimmel, Phil and Peggy Knight, the Jon M. and Karen Huntsman family, and Richard and Susan Rogel.

2023 AACI Cancer Health Equity Award



Amelie Ramirez, DrPH, MPH
Mays Cancer Center at
UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson

Amelie Ramirez, DrPH, MPH, chair and full professor of the Department of Population Health Sciences at UT Health San Antonio, leads a multidisciplinary team of public health researchers, data scientists, and communication specialists in addressing the cancer experience of Latinos. As leader of the community outreach and engagement (COE) team at the NCI-designated Mays Cancer

Center (MCC), Dr. Ramirez has implemented changes that have improved equity and diversity in cancer clinical trial recruitment and directly involved the community in outreach, clinical research, and preventive cancer care.

Under her leadership, the COE has partnered with government organizations to implement community-facing programs and campaigns and led the development of the MCC's first South Texas Cancer Survey, which uncovered the catchment area respondents' exposure to cancer information, communication preferences, knowledge about cancer risk, and behaviors to reduce cancer risk.

Dr. Ramirez has directed over 100 research programs focused on human and organizational communication to reduce cancer health disparities affecting Latinos and other minority and underserved populations, including cancer risk factors, clinical trial recruitment, patient navigation, tobacco prevention, obesity prevention, and promotion of health equity system changes. Dr. Ramirez launched the Advancing the Science of Cancer in Latinos conference and has led three national, multisite research networks. Most recently, she founded a national Latino health equity communication and advocacy network, Salud America! (SA!), at UT Health San Antonio. SA! advances health equity for Latinos by communicating culturally relevant educational content and advocacy opportunities related to the themes of Healthy Families & Schools, Healthy Communities, and Healthy & Cohesive Cultures.

The AACI Cancer Health Equity Award was established in 2021. Previous recipients are Drs. Electra D. Paskett and Robert A. Winn.

Keynote Speaker



Philip E. Castle, PhD, MPH
National Cancer Institute

Philip E. Castle, PhD, MPH, director of the Division of Cancer Prevention (DCP) at the National Cancer Institute (NCI), will provide an update on DCP/NCI initiatives to support research on novel interventions for cancer prevention, cancer screening, and symptom management.

In addition to his role as is the director of the DCP, Dr. Castle is acting branch chief of the Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program in DCP, and senior, tenured investigator in the Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics (DCEG) at the NCI. Previously, he was a tenured professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Population Health at Albert Einstein College of Medicine; chief scientific officer of the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP); senior, tenured investigator and tenure-track investigator in DCEG/NCI; and a cancer prevention fellow in DCP/NCI. Dr. Castle received a PhD in biophysics and master's degree in public health from the Johns Hopkins University.

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Date	Time (eastern)	Session Title	Approved Credits	Credits Claimed
Sunday 10/1/2023	1:45 – 2:45 pm	Keynote — The Best Cancer is the Cancer That Never Happens	1.0	
	3:10 – 3:30 pm	Executing Plans to Enhance Diversity: Results from a National Survey	0.25	
	3:30 – 4:00 pm	The SCOTUS Affirmative Action Ruling: Gauging the Impact on Cancer Centers	0.5	
	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Update on the NCI Cancer Centers Program	1.0	
	5:00 – 6:00 pm	11th Annual AACI PCLI Meeting: Bridging the Divide Between Cancer Centers and Cancer Service Lines	1.0	
Maximum Approved Credits for 10/1/2023			3.75	Total:
Monday 10/2/2023	8:30 – 9:00 am	AACI Presidential Initiative Update	0.5	
	9:00 – 10:00 am	Dismantling Barriers to Cancer Care	1.0	
	10:00 – 11:00 am	Exploring New Ways to Enhance Diversity at Cancer Centers	1.0	
	11:15 am – 12:15 pm	AACI Distinguished Scientist — The Making of a Clinical Researcher: A Personal Journey	1.0	
	1:45 – 2:45 pm	Expanding the Impact of Global Oncology	1.0	
	2:45 – 3:45 pm	Research and Development at Basic Science Centers	1.0	
	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Collaboration Fueling Innovation	1.0	
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Tuesday 10/3/2023	8:00 – 8:30 am	ARPA-H: A New Mechanism for Supporting Cancer Research	0.5	
	8:30 – 9:30 am	Improving Cancer Center Interactions With Elected Officials and Federal Agencies	1.0	
	9:45 – 10:45 am	Clinical Trial Activation: Simple is Better	1.0	
	10:45 – 11:45 am	National Cancer Institute Director's Report	1.0	
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