

The 2nd FICAN West Science Day – Translational cancer research co-operation

April 24th, 2024

Vierailu- ja innovaatiokeskus Joki, Lemminkäisenkatu 12b, Turku

Registration by April 14:

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8.30-9

Coffee, reception

9-9.15

Opening words: Panu Jaakkola, scientific director of FICAN West

SESSION 1 – New and diverse in melanoma research, Chair: Maria Sundvall & Rogério de Figueiredo

9.15-10.00 Keynote speaker – Menashe Bar-Eli, Department of Cancer Biology, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas, USA

A -to-I MicroRNA editing and Melanoma Progression

10.00-10.30 Micaela Hernberg, HUS Comprehensive Cancer Centre, Helsinki University Hospital

Clinical melanoma trials in Finland during the targeted treatment and immunotherapy era

10.30-11.00 Carlos Rogério de Figueiredo, Institute of Biomedicine, InFLAMES Flagship, University of Turku
Immune microenvironment of desert tumors: Insights for prognosis and immunotherapy combinations

11.00-12.00 LUNCH BREAK

SESSION 2 – Cancer metabolism, biomarkers and prediction models, Chair: Saara Hämälistö

12.00-12.30 Tero Aittokallio, Institute for Cancer Research, Oslo University Hospital, Oslo Centre for Biostatistics and Epidemiology, University of Oslo, FIMM, HiLIFE and iCAN Digital Precision Cancer Medicine Flagship, University of Helsinki, InFLAMES Research Flagship, University of Turku

Predictive modelling of drug treatment responses for precision oncology

12.30-13.00 Pilvi Riihilä, Department of Dermatology, University of Turku and Turku University Hospital
Complement system in cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma

13.00-13.30 Pauliina Kronqvist, Department of Pathology, Turku University Hospital
Challenges of biomarker assessments in triple-negative breast cancer

13.30-14.00 COFFEE and networking

14.00-14.20 Anna Karhu, University of Turku, Turku School of Economics

Developing regional cancer research network through mentoring program

SESSION 3 – Brain tumors and viruses, Chair: Kari Kurppa

14.20-14:50 Cecilia Söderberg-Nauclér, Institute of Biomedicine, InFLAMES Flagship, University of Turku

Antiviral treatment to Cytomegalovirus to improve survival of glioblastoma patients

14.50-15.20 Kirsi Rautajoki, Faculty of Medicine and Health Technology, Tampere University
Progression of diffuse astrocytomas in the treatment setting

15.20-15.35 *Sponsor talk*

15.35-15.45 Closing remarks by Pia Vihinen, director, FICAN West

15.45- Wine & salad menu

The training has been accepted for eligibility in PhD doctoral studies (6h) and medical doctor specializing education (6h) (Kirurgia /runkokoulutus, Kliininen hematologia, Radiologia, Geriatria, Kliininen farmakologia ja lääkehoito, Korva,- nenä- ja kurkkutaudit, Neurokirurgia, Patologia, Syöpätaudit, Yleiskirurgia, Endokrinologia, Ihotaudit ja allergologia, Neurologia, Perinnöllisyyslääketiede, Urologia) at the University of Turku.

Organizing committee: Rogério De Figueiredo, Saara Hämälistö, Panu Jaakkola, Kari Kurppa, Elisa Närvä, Pilvi Riihilä, Johanna Schleutker, Maria Sundvall, Mervi Toriseva, Pia Vihinen