ITMAT 13th Annual International Symposium
Monday and Tuesday, October 15-16, 2018
Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania
Smilow Center for Translational Research (SCTR)
The Arthur Rubenstein Auditorium
3400 Civic Center Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA

A Sense of Momentum; Translational Science Comes of Age

Monday, October 15 (Day 1)

8:00 AM  Registration and Breakfast: Smilow Lobby

8:45  Introduction
Jonathan A. Epstein, MD, Executive Vice Dean and Chief Scientific Officer, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Session 1:  Data at Scale, Pathobiology and Precision Medicine

Chairs:  Sir Keith Peters, Emeritus Regius Professor of Physic, University of Cambridge and Marylyn D. Ritchie, PhD, Director, Center for Translational Bioinformatics, Institute for Biomedical Informatics (IBI), University of Pennsylvania

9:00  Improving Immunotherapy for Malignant Disease: Molecules, Models, and Clinical Research
Roger M. Perlmutter, MD, PhD, EVP and President, Merck Research Laboratories

9:30  Precision medicine meets Global health
Maha Reda Farhat, MD, CM, MSc, Assistant Professor of Biomedical Informatics, Harvard Medical School, Assistant Physician, Massachusetts General Hospital

10:00  Translating Big Data and Artificial Intelligence into Precision Medicine
Kang Zhang, MD, PhD, Founding Director, Institute for Genomic Medicine, Co-Director, Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering, Institute of Engineering in Medicine; Chief of Ophthalmic Genetics; Professor of Ophthalmology, Nanoengineering, Human Genetics, University of California San Diego

10:30  COFFEE: Smilow Lobby
Session 2: Novel Therapeutic Technologies – Part 1: Gene Editing

Chairs: Katherine L. Nathanson, MD, Deputy Director, Abramson Cancer Center, Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and Jorge Henao-Mejia, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

11:00 Engineering Immunotherapies with Synthetic Biology
Timothy K. Lu, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

11:30 Gene Editing to Prevent and Cure Metabolic Disorders
Kiran Musunuru, MD, PhD, MPH, Associate Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine and Genetics, Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

12:00 LUNCH AND POSTER SESSION: Smilow Lobby
Poster Session: current and past Associate Scientific Advisors of Science Translational Medicine will present their research in a two-day poster session held in the breakfast/lunch area. The scientists will be at their posters during the second half of the lunch break on Monday and Tuesday.

Session 3: Novel Therapeutic Technologies – Part 2: Gene Therapy, RNAi and Brain Delivery

Chairs: Daniel J. Rader, MD, Seymour Gray Professor of Molecular Medicine; Chair, Department of Genetics; Associate Director, ITMAT, Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and Vladimir Muzykantov, MD, PhD, Professor and Vice Chair of Systems Pharmacology and Translational Therapeutics and Medicine, Co-Director, Center for Translational Therapeutics and Translational Nanomedicine (CT3N)

1:00 Turning Genes into Medicine
Katherine A. High, MD
President and Head of R&D
Spark Therapeutics

1:30 Advancement of Investigational RNAi Therapeutics, a New Class of Innovative Medicines
Greg Hinkle, PhD, Sr. Director, Research and Head of Bioinformatics, Alnylam Pharmaceuticals

2:00 The MiNDS: Miniaturized Neural Drug Delivery System
Canan Dagdeviren, PhD, Assistant Professor of Media Arts and Sciences, Material Science & Engineering, MIT Media Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
2:30 COFFEE: Smilow Lobby

Session 4: Novel Therapeutic Technologies – Part 3: Vaccines and Stem Cell Biology

Chairs: Kenneth S. Zaret, PhD, Joseph Leidy Professor, Director, Institute for Regenerative Medicine, University of Pennsylvania and George Cotsarelis, MD, Milton B. Hartzell Professor and Chairman, Dermatology, University of Pennsylvania

3:00 Synthetic Nucleic Acid Technology for Prevention and Immunotherapy of Human Disease
David B. Weiner, PhD, Director, Vaccine & Immunotherapy Center, The Wistar Institute,

3:30 Stem cells in Silence, Action and Cancer
Elaine Fuchs, PhD, Investigator, Rebecca C. Lancefield Professor, HHMI, The Rockefeller University

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7:00 Reception and Dinner: The College of Physicians of Philadelphia
19 South 22nd Street, Philadelphia
Dinner Speaker: Sir Keith Peters, Emeritus Regius Professor of Physic, University of Cambridge

Transportation will be provided to and from the dinner. Buses will depart from the front of the Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine (circular driveway in front of building that connects to the Smilow Center for Translational Research) at 6:40PM and will return to the Hilton Inn at Penn at approximately 9:00PM.

Speakers and chairs may take a shuttle bus from the Hilton Inn at Penn, Walnut Street entrance, departing at 6:40PM, returning to the hotel at approximately 9:00PM.
**Tuesday, October 16 (Day 2)**

8:00 AM  
Registration and Breakfast: Smilow Lobby

**Session 5: Nutrients and Aging**

**Chairs:**  
Kathryn E. Wellen, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Cancer Biology, University of Pennsylvania and  
Park F. Cho-Park MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Systems Pharmacology & Translational Therapeutics, University of Pennsylvania

8:30  
**Autophagy, Caloric Restriction Mimetics and Body Mass Control**  
Guido Kroemer, MD, PhD, Professor, University of Paris Descartes

9:00  
**Fan the Flame, Feed the Fire**  
Cornelia M. Weyand, MD, PhD, Professor of Medicine and Chief, Division of Immunology and Rheumatology, Stanford University

9:30  
**Insulin Signaling and Quality of Life with Age**  
Coleen T. Murphy, Ph.D., Professor of Genomics and Molecular Biology at Princeton University

10:00  
COFFEE: Smilow Lobby

**Session 6: Therapeutic Interventions Part 1: Correcting Mitochondrial Dysfunction**

**Chairs:**  
Carlo Patrono, MD, Catholic University School of Medicine, Rome, Italy and  
Douglas C. Wallace, PhD, Director, Center for Mitochondrial and Epigenomic Medicine (CMEM), Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

10:30  
**Can We Prevent Germline Transmission of Mitochondrial DNA Mutations?**  
Mary Herbert, PhD, Professor, Newcastle University

11:00  
**Hypoxia as a Therapy for Mitochondrial Disease**  
Vamsi K. Mootha, MD, Harvard Medical School  
**Therapeutic Interventions Part 2: Checkpoint Blockade**

11:30  
**Cancer Immune Phenotype and Therapy**  
Weiping Zou, MD, PhD, Professor of Immunology, Pathology, Biology, and Surgery, University of Michigan School of Medicine

12:00  
**The Immune Checkpoint/Stem Cell Partnership to Cure T1D**  
Paolo Fiorina, MD, PhD, University of Milan

12:30  
LUNCH AND POSTER SESSION: Smilow Lobby
Session 7: Insights into Autism

Chairs: Raquel E. Gur, MD, PhD, The Karl and Linda Rickels Professor, Director, Lifespan Brain Institute, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia and Penn Medicine and Benjamin F. Voight, PhD, Associate Professor, Systems Pharmacology and Translational Therapeutics, Associate Professor, Genetics, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

1:30 Genetic Dissection of Autism Spectrum Disorders: Back to Phenotypes
Maja Bućan, PhD, Professor of Genetics, Departments of Genetics and Psychiatry, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

2:00 Disruption in the Pattern of Connections in Autism
Helen Barbas, PhD, Professor, Boston University and School of Medicine

2:30 Autism: Alterations of Social Brain Networks at Early Developmental Stages
Holger Franz Sperdin, PhD, Research Associate, Developmental Imaging and Psychopathology Laboratory, University of Geneva, Switzerland

3:00 COFFEE: Smilow Lobby

Session 8: Targeting the Inflammasome

Chairs: Igor Brodsky, PhD, Associate Professor of Pathobiology, University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine and Desmond Fitzgerald, MD, President, University of Limerick, Ireland

3:30 Humanized Mice as a Tool for Investigating the Role of the Inflammasome in Disease Pathogenesis
Beverly H. Koller, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Genetics, UNC, Chapel Hill

4:00 Inflammation at the Crossroads of Diabetes and Obesity
Alan R. Saltiel, PhD, Professor and Director of the UC, San Diego Institute for Diabetes and Metabolic Health, UC, San Diego

4:30 Inflammation Control by Inflammasomes
Kate Schroder, PhD Deputy Director of the IMB Centre for Inflammation and Disease Research, Institute for Molecular Bioscience, The University of Queensland

5:00 Concluding Remarks
Garret A. FitzGerald, MD, FRS, University of Pennsylvania