

3rd Puerto Rico Cancer Research Meeting 2018

GENERAL PROGRAM



8:00 – 8:30	AM	Registration and Breakfast
8:30 - 8:30	AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks
8:35 - 9:15	AM	Dr. Gayathri Devi Duke University Medical Center and Duke Cancer Institute, NC <i>“Inflammatory Breast Cancer: Unique Disease Biology, Drug Discovery Models and Mechanisms”</i>
9:15 – 9:30	AM	Ana M. Reyes Ramos , Graduate Student University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez, PR <i>“Effects of the Collagen Fiber Orientation in the Process of Modulation of Drug Resistance and Cell Signaling in the Breast Tumor Microenvironment”</i>
9:30 – 9:55	AM	Dr. Madeline Torres Lugo University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez, PR <i>“HSP70 inhibition synergistically enhances the effects of magnetic fluid hyperthermia in ovarian cancer”</i>
9:55 – 11:25	AM	Coffee Break and Poster Presentations
11:25 – 12:05	PM	Dr. Daniel Sullivan Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL <i>“Translation Studies of XPO1 Inhibitors in Multiple Myeloma: Pre-clinical Results to Novel Trials”</i>
12:05 – 1:00	PM	Lunch
1:00 – 1:05	PM	Special message from Dr. Waleska Crespo, President, Universidad Central del Caribe
1:05 – 1:50	PM	Dr. Kevin Williams North Carolina Central University-Biomanufacturing Research Institute & Technology Enterprise, NC <i>“Targeting the Hedgehog Pathway in Development and Cancer: Pharmacological Modulations”</i>
1:50 – 2:15	PM	Dr. Kosmas Kretsos Puerto Rico Consortium for Clinical Investigations, San Juan, PR <i>“Puerto Rico Consortium for Clinical Investigation: the Case for Integrated Clinical Research Capabilities for Oncology Trials”</i>
2:15 – 2:40	PM	Dr. Jaime Matta Ponce Health Sciences University, Ponce, PR <i>“Recent developments on DNA repair capacity as a molecular tool to study breast cancer”</i>

- 2:40 – 2:55 PM **Ariana Acevedo Díaz**, Undergraduate Student
University of Puerto Rico, Bayamón, PR
“Ganoderma lucidum extract reduces cell migration and invasion in triple-negative metastatic breast cancer”
- 2:55 – 3:10 PM Coffee Break
- 3:10 – 3:50 PM **Interactive Panel** – *“The importance of patients’ involvement in cancer research”*
Host: Dr. Julio Jimenez, PHSU
Cancer Survivors: Ivette Garcia and Maria del Carmen Pacheco
Cancer Researcher: Dr. Michelle M. Martinez, UCC
- 3:50 – 4:05 PM **Claudia Colon**, Graduate Student
Ponce Health Sciences University, Ponce, PR
“Adrenergic Modulation of Pro-Inflammatory Response in Ovarian Cancer”
- 4:05 – 4:30 PM **Dr. Linette Castillo**
Universidad Central del Caribe, Bayamón, PR
“Novel Targeted Therapeutics for Metastatic Breast Cancer”
- 4:30 – 5:00 PM Poster Presentation Awards / Evaluation / Closing Remarks