

An Academic Research Summit Focusing on the Advancement of EGFRm Treatment Paradigms through Meaningful Collaboration between Physician Scientist Investigators and Patients

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EGFR RESISTERS RESEARCH SUMMIT OVERVIEW

The second annual EGFR Resisters Research Summit convened November 12-14, 2020 in a virtual format due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Twenty-one Young Investigators, nine Expert Faculty Judge Mentors, and three patient advocates kicked off #EGFRSummit20 in a Welcome Zoom entitled, "2020: It's Been a Year," a fast-paced debrief of how the COVID disruption has impacted clinical research in lung cancer and the EGFR-focused space. This was followed by EGFR Resisters founding members, Ivy Elkins, Jill Feldman, and Dr. Ildiko Medve, providing an

update on the expanding reach of the EGFR Resisters and the impact of their funded projects. The presentation concluded with a video clip from The Today Show, which showcased Jill Feldman's personal journey with lung cancer. Young Investigators invited to present in Breakout Sessions wrapped up Thursday evening by sharing their data in groups of 7-10 with three Faculty Judge Mentors, a patient advocate, and several peers. These intimate working groups illustrated the overarching purpose of the EGFR Summit: to advance the EGFRm treatment paradigm through meaningful collaboration between physician scientist investigators and patients.

We opened Friday with a mentoring session on clinical trial design, led by new Judge Mentor Dr. Suresh Ramalingam. Young Investigators presented a host of General Session presentations throughout the day, broken up by EGFR Squads and mentoring sessions on grant writing and publishing tips, presented by Dr. John Heymach and Dr. Christine Lovly, respectively.

EGFR Squads were added in 2020 as a small group component wherein each Judge Mentor could meet several times over the weekend with 2-3 Young Investigators as

a check-in to debrief the science presented. Each squad was strategically designed to connect researchers with similar expertise/interests, but who were from different institutions and geographical areas. The idea was to cultivate new mentor-mentee and peer collaborations and we have found this has been sustained since the November meeting for many participants.

Saturday was composed of additional Mentoring Moment sessions on best practices for social media use, leadership and mentoring, and a Q&A with the full faculty panel. The meeting concluded with an awards session, where nine Young Investigators were honored for their exemplary work.



"[The] patient advocacy component was very strong and moving in this conference."

ABOUT THE EGFR RESISTERS PATIENT ADVOCACY GROUP

Established in 2017 by seven original members—who drew on their experience as patients, survivors, caregivers, and healthcare providers—the EGFR Resisters represent a grassroots, patient-driven community dedicated exclusively to changing EGFR-mutated lung cancer into a chronic, manageable disease. With more than 2,600 members from more than 75 countries across the globe, the EGFR Resisters have become a wellestablished and widely-known oncogene driver group that is galvanizing research efforts in meaningful and unique ways, including data gathering efforts such as Project PRIORITY and the EGFR Resisters Research Summit, which is a Young Investigator Forum that brings together established experts with the next generation of lung cancer researchers. CEC Oncology is excited and honored to partner with the EGFR Resisters in organizing and delivering the Summit each year.





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2020 EGFR RESISTERS DISTINGUISHED YOUNG INVESTIGATOR GRAND PRIZE-\$10,000



Joseph Chan, MD, PhD Medical Oncology Fellow Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

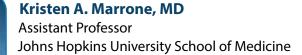
Uncovering Molecular Drivers of Neuroendocrine Plasticity in Patients with Small Cell Lung Cancer Transformation at Single-cell Level

"The EGFR Resisters Summit was a fantastic, eye-opening experience. It was both inspiring and humbling to meet luminary giants in the field, learn about all the new, innovative research that my colleagues are conducting, and hear firsthand the experiences of patients and how they hope that our research may impact their lives. The experience really encouraged me to continue following this career path of a physician scientist."

"I plan to use this award on computing expenses and related equipment, as well as any sequencing expenses not covered by other grants."



1ST RUNNER-UP



Harnessing EGFR-specific Immune Responses to Optimize Treatment

"This retreat was invaluable to me, as I was able to present my research and discuss it with both peers and leaders in the field of EGFR-specific therapies. It has already led to amazing collaborations and has widened my mentoring network. It also helped me think about my career trajectory and recentered my focus on how best to be involved in EGFR-specific research as my career develops."

"I plan to use the award money to fund my ongoing translational research efforts to evaluate the anti-tumor immune response in patients whose tumor harbors an EGFR mutation in the context of immunotherapy treatments, as well as participate in presentation of these findings."



2ND RUNNER-UP



Andrew Piper-Vallillo, MD Fellow Massachusetts General Hospital Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

High-dose Osimertinib for CNS Progression in EGFR+ NSCLC: A Multi-Institutional Experience

"Attending and presenting at the EGFR Resisters conference was a highly valuable professional development opportunity. I learned a great deal through feedback on my presentation in the lead-up to the conference and then through real-time critique by the expert panel. Moreover, the conference was an incredible opportunity to meet with and learn from clinician-scientists spanning the basic-clinical research spectrum and at various phases in their careers (from young investigators to well-established Pls). I came away with new insights into presenting, grant/scientific writing, academic advancement, and even how to curate my Twitter presence. Overall, a tremendously positive experience."

"I plan to use this grant award to support my ongoing research efforts in EGFR-mutant NSCLC, specifically to fund conference registration fees and purchase research-computing software/equipment."



Julia Rotow, MD Clinical Instructor Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Combination Osimertinib plus Selpercatinib for EGFR-mutant Non-small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC)

"As an early career investigator in thoracic oncology, with a focus on translational and clinical research in EGFR-mutated lung cancer, opportunities like the summit to meet with the EGFR research community are critical. It is so important to see the work that is going on across this country on this topic, meet with other upcoming investigators in the space with whom I hope to collaborate in the future, and to learn from the experience of more senior investigators who have successfully contributed to the field. Building these networks helps to lay the groundwork for future studies, which can often be done most effectively by collaborating across institutions. Particularly during the COVID pandemic, when opportunities to meet with and learn from others in the field are limited, these virtual meetings can have a large impact. I look forward to working with those I met, both in the academic and patient advocacy communities, going forward."

"I will apply the award funds from the EGFR Resisters Summit toward generating initial supporting data for future funding applications."



HONORABLE MENTIONS



Fernando de Miguel, PhD Postdoctoral Associate Yale University

The Chromatin Remodeling Factor SMARCA4 Regulates Proliferation and Oxidative Stress in Osimertinib Resistant EGFR-mutant Lung Adenocarcinoma

"I had a lot of great feedback about my career and my science. I also made very good connections with great scientists and colleagues working in the same field that I am in."

"I will purchase some reagents for my experiments."



Yunkai Zhang, PhD Research Fellow Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Identify, Characterize, and Develop Strategies to Combat Drug-tolerant Persister Cells (DTPCs) before the Development of Acquired TKI Resistance in EGFR-mutant Lung Cancer

"First, participating in the Summit let me connect with other young investigators who are at a similar stage as I am, which is super beneficial to learn from each other, share updated information, etc. These independent early-stage connections are important for my career development. Second, I have received wonderful advices/tips/lessons from developed investigators, and these will definitely guide me along the professional development. Third, I have also heard inspiring and encouraging stories from the patient advocates, which (assures me of) the impact of research that we are all conducting."

"I am planning to use the award to purchase some computational resources (RAMs, etc.), which will allow me to analyze more scRNAseq datasets in a more efficient manner."



Noura Choudhury, MDMedical Oncology Fellow
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

A Phase II Trial of Combination Amivantamab and Lazertinib in Metastatic EGFR-mutated Lung Adenocarcinoma with CNS Progression Using Integrated CSF cfDNA Analysis

"Participating in the EGFR Resisters Research Summit allowed me to get early feedback on my proposed trial, meet with experts in the field of EGFR-mutant lung cancer, and form future professional connections. [It also] gave me the opportunity to practice and acquire professional skills in presentation and oral delivery."

"I will use the grant money toward future travel to an academic conference, once travel is allowed again in a post–COVID-19 world."



Jaime Schneider, MD, PhD
Medical Oncology Fellow
Massachusetts General Hospital
Dana Farber Cancer Institute

Role of Metabolic Reprogramming in Mediating Resistance in Oncogene-driven Non-small Cell Lung Cancer

"The major ways that the EGFR summit has impacted my professional development include: 1) the educational experience of hearing about different avenues of research being pursued in EGFR-mutant lung cancer; and 2) being able to (virtually) meet various faculty throughout the country, thus facilitating new connections and potential collaborations."

"I plan to use the award to directly support research efforts, including purchasing of lab reagents, lab equipment, and toward using core services at my institution."



Maya White, MD, MS Fellow Stanford University

Survival Outcomes in Lung Cancer Patients with Actionable Mutations Admitted to Intensive Care Units

"I was able to make connections with other researchers with similar interest—because of this conference, I am already involved in a multi-institution project!"

"[I plan to use the award for] journal publication fees."



2020 EGFR RESISTERS RESEARCH SUMMIT FACULTY



Joshua Bauml, MD **Assistant Professor of Medicine** Division of Hematology/Oncology Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



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Zofia Piotrowska, MD, MHS **Assistant Professor of Medicine** Harvard Medical School Massachusetts General Hospital Boston, Massachusetts



Jill Feldman, MA Founding Member, EGFR Resisters EGFR+ NSCLC since 2009 Deerfield, Illinois



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Joseph Chan, MD, PhD Medical Oncology Fellow Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Uncovering Molecular Drivers of Neuroendocrine Plasticity in Patients with Small Cell Lung Cancer Transformation at Single-cell Level



Misako Nagasaka, MD **Assistant Professor** Karmanos Cancer Institute Targeting HDAC6 to Overcome Osimertinib Resistance in the Treatment of EGFR-mutant NSCLC



Noura Choudhury, MD Medical Oncology Fellow Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center A Phase II Trial of Combination Amivantamab and Lazertinib in Metastatic EGFR-mutated Lung Adenocarcinoma with CNS Progression Using Integrated CSF cfDNA Analysis



Laura Petrillo, MD Palliative Care Physician, Instructor of Medicine Massachusetts General Hospital Harvard Medical School Patient-reported and End-of-Life Outcomes among Adults with Oncogene-driven Lung Cancer in a Palliative Care Clinical Trial



Fernando de Miguel, PhD Postdoctoral Associate Yale University The Chromatin Remodelina Factor SMARCA4 Regulates Proliferation and Oxidative Stress in Osimertinib Resistant EGFR-mutant Lung Adenocarcinoma



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Ines Pulido Endrino, PhD Postdoctoral Research Associate University of Illinois at Chicago Endothelin-1-mediated Drug Resistance in EGFR-mutant NSCLC



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Lia Head, MD Fellow Physician Rush University Medical Center Psychosocial Distress in Driver Mutant Lung Cancer Patients



Sherin Rouhani, MD, PhD Hematology/Oncology Fellow University of Chicago The Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio Is a Prognostic Biomarker in Patients with EGFR-mutated Advanced NSCLC



Sally Lau, MD Clinical Research Fellow **Princess Margaret Cancer Centre** Subtypes of EGFR and HER2 Mutant Metastatic NSCLC Influence Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors



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Kristen A. Marrone, MD Assistant Professor Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Harnessing EGFR-specific Immune Responses to Optimize Treatment



Manan P. Shah, MD Internal Medicine Resident Stanford University EGFR Exon 20 Insertion NSCLC and Response to Platinum-based Chemotherapy



Catherine Meador, MD, PhD Medical Oncology Clinical Fellow Massachusetts General Hospital Dana Farber Cancer Institute Targeting EGFR Exon 20 Insertions: Recent Advances and Clinical Updates



Misha Cathien Tran, MD Internal Medicine Resident The University of Chicago Concordance of Tissue and Cell-free DNA-based Nextgeneration Sequencing in Patients with Previously-treated Metastatic Non–small Cell Lung Cancer



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Hibiki Udagawa, MD, PhD Postdoctoral Fellow MD Anderson Cancer Center EGFR Exon 20 Insertion Mutations in Non–small Cell Lung Cancer: Clinical Outcome from a Large-scale Clinico-genomic Database in the LC-SCRUM-Japan and Potential for TAS6417/CLN-081 as a Novel Therapeutic Strategy



Yunkai Zhang, PhD Research Fellow Vanderbilt University Medical Center Identify, Characterize, and Develop Strategies to Combat Drug-tolerant Persister Cells (DTPCs) before the Development of Acquired TKI Resistance in EGFR-mutant Lung Cancer



Chao Wang, PhD Postdoctoral Fellow Moffitt Cancer Center Exceptional Responders to Immunotherapy with EGFR Mutations



Yu "Michael" Zhou, MD Resident Rush University Medical Center Impact of EGFR Mutational Status on Interfractional SBRT Lung Oligometastatic Tumor Response

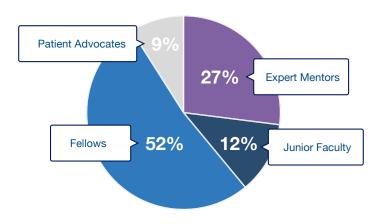


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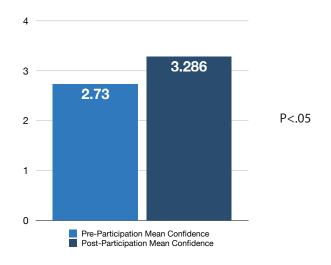


2020 EGFR RESISTERS RESEARCH SUMMIT AT-A-GLANCE



Change in Attendee Confidence

Presentation Skills (out of 4.0)



MALE/FEMALE RATIO



"Truly wonderful, and quite exceptional to be able to translate the conference into a virtual format that remained engaging and personal."

> "Amazingly connected despite the virtual nature."

Technology Made It Possible

"I like this virtual format. You can stay at home and communicate with experts, which is great!"

"Pre-sessions were very helpful to prepare for the meeting, and the logistics of this virtual summit have been incredible."





2020 EGFR RESISTERS RESEARCH SUMMIT EDUCATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



Professional Skills Enhancement Workshop

In an effort to augment the professional development aspects of this program, CEC brought in our team of professional coaching experts from ListenWritePresent who have a long history of working with prospective and existing faculty in the medical and scientific space. Their team provided one-on-one coaching opportunities for each Young Investigator presenter prior to the launch of the meeting with sessions that included: presentation rehearsal, individualized coaching feedback on visual and verbal skills using video recording, and receipt of a personalized "Skill Builder" presentation at the end of the session.

2020 EGFR Resisters Research Summit attendees found the **ListenWritePresent Professional Skills Enhancement Workshop** to be an extremely valuable component of the EGFR Summit curriculum, ranking the coaching sessions with a mean score of **3.82** on a 4.0 scale.



What Participants Value Most

"This has been the most helpful meeting I have attended as a fellow. The opportunity to meet and network with such amazing faculty in a small group environment was awesome. The small group breakout sessions that gave us a chance to interact 1-on-1 with faculty were especially appreciated."

"Mentorship, squad debriefs, and networking."

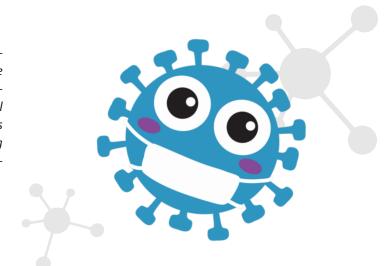
"This was a very thoughtfully organized conference. I really appreciated the presentation coaching, care packages, and the dedication of the mentors to this activity, as well as the involvement of the advocates throughout. The best parts were small group interaction. It was tough not being in person, but this was the most engaged I have felt with a virtual conference during the pandemic, and I think that is because of how hard the organizers worked to make it work."



Mentoring Moments and Small-group Networking Sessions

"Great collegiality and approachability. The judge mentors are AWESOME!"

"Small groups with mentors were very useful."



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How Attending the Summit Will Impact Young Investigators' Careers

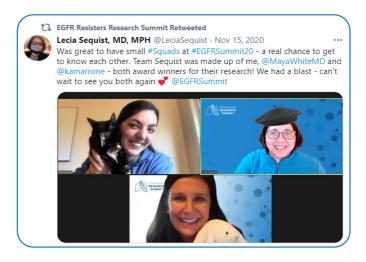
"Important researchers in the field are aware of who I am and the research I am doing."

"Perspective changing, inspiring, great exposure to other research in the EGFR+ landscape."

"Improved presentation skills and networking."

"Improving collaborations with other young investigators."





Unusual but Not Uninspiring!

"Fantastic job adapting this meeting to a virtual experience. The care packages beforehand were such a thoughtful touch. I really like that the meeting was small enough that we could get to know other participants and the faculty, and I like that everyone was encouraged to keep their video on for the entire meeting so you could 'see' everyone."

"Very well-organized conference that stands out from the rest. Really learned a lot. Enjoyed the balance of mentoring and research exposure. Especially the mentoring segments were great and can only say that even more of those segments could even be better!"









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