

The Memorial Sloan Kettering **Tow Center for Developmental Oncology** presents

2023

# Robert Steel Symposium in **Developmental Oncology**

MAY 1-2, 2023 • NEW YORK, NY



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# Overview

The **Robert Steel Symposium in Developmental Oncology** will bring together outstanding scientists from across the country to discuss the latest discoveries into the molecular mechanisms of cancers in children and young adults and the development of new approaches for their definitive therapy and control. This program will feature interactive discussions of fundamental and translational research to address unanswered questions in the field of developmental oncology.

There are **many unanswered questions that need to be addressed** for childhood and young adult cancers:

- What causes cancer in children and young adults without inheritance of cancer-predisposing mutations or exposure to environmental mutagens? How do predisposing alleles and exposures contribute to cancer development?
- What developmental processes are dysregulated to cause mutations and cell transformation in otherwise healthy tissues?
- How do mutations in developmental pathways involving transcription factors and epigenetic signaling cause cancer?
- How do we design effective therapeutics to block, activate, and modulate protein interactions that control transcription factors and other developmental regulators?
- How do we identify targets for immune therapy in developmental tumors that have relatively few mutations?

This two-day live, in-person Symposium will provide an **intimate and exciting setting to share new advances for these questions**. It will also allow an opportunity for established and young investigators to discuss new questions and interdisciplinary approaches of relevance to young-onset cancer biology.

## | Who Should Attend

The target audience for this Symposium includes scientists, physicians, APPs, nurses, and other healthcare providers interested in learning the latest advances in our understanding of the biology and therapy of childhood cancers.

Students and trainees are invited to attend this Symposium on a **complimentary basis**. Travel grants available upon request/approval.

## | Symposium Location

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center  
Zuckerman Research Center  
417 East 68<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY

While MSK requests that institutional guests are vaccinated against COVID-19, we are no longer requiring proof of vaccination. Additional details, including our current Health and Safety Protocols, can be accessed online:  
[mskcc.org/developmentaloncology](https://mskcc.org/developmentaloncology)





**We invite attendees and faculty to  
a networking reception and dinner  
on Monday, May 1, Upstairs at  
The Kimberly.**

**Monday, May 1, 2023  
6:00-9:00 PM**

**Upstairs at The Kimberly Hotel  
145 East 50<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY  
[upstairsnyc.com](http://upstairsnyc.com)**

Upstairs at The Kimberly Hotel is a one-of-a-kind rooftop experience in the heart of New York City, focused on refined service in a relaxed luxurious setting. **RSVP to the reception is required during Symposium registration.**

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# Symposium Organizers



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The 2023 Robert Steel Symposium in Developmental Oncology is presented by the **Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK) Tow Center for Developmental Oncology**, which unites scientists across MSK to develop fundamental insights into the molecular mechanisms of cancers in children and young adults, and to devise new approaches for definitive therapy and control.

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# Schedule

## Monday, May 1, 2023

- 7:45 AM Registration and Breakfast
- 8:30 AM **Introduction and Welcome**  
Alex Kentsis, MD, PhD
- 9:00 AM **Genetic Predisposition to TP53-mutated Myeloid Malignancy**  
Akiko Shimamura, MD, PhD
- 9:35 AM **Oncohistones: How to Promote Stalled Development and Neurodegeneration**  
Nada Jabado, MD, PhD

### SESSION I

#### Tumor Lineage/Development

MODERATOR: Alex Kentsis, MD, PhD

- 10:10 AM **Distinctive Embryonic Phylogenies and Driver Events of Infant Wilms Tumour**  
Henry Lee-Six, MB, PhD
- 10:25 AM **The PIF1 Helicase Promotes Replication Through DNA Lesions in BRCA2-null Medulloblastoma**  
Danielle Keahi, BA
- 10:40 AM **The Cbf-Glis Fusion Drives Mycn Expression to Promote Oncogenesis and Imparts Vulnerability to Brg1 Inhibitors in Pediatric Amkls.**  
Jay Sarthy, MD, PhD
- 10:55 AM **Mesenchymal and Adrenergic Cell Lineage States in Neuroblastoma Possess Distinct Immunogenic Phenotypes**  
Satyaki Sengupta, MSc, PhD1
- 11:10 AM **Defining Mechanisms of Somatic Evolution in Rhabdomyosarcoma (Rms) Relapse**  
Henry de Traux de Wardin, MD
- 11:25 AM **Non-Invasive Diagnosis of Brainstem Gliomas in Pediatric, Adolescent, and Young Adult Patients through Cerebrospinal Fluid Cell-Free DNA Sequencing**  
Katherine Hill, BA
- 11:40 AM Break
- 11:55 AM **Structure and Function of Mammalian SWI/SNF Chromatin Remodeling Complexes in Human Cancer**  
Cigall Kadoch, PhD
- 12:30 PM **Specific Recurrent Secondary Mutations in Chromatin Regulatory Proteins and Other Transcription Factors May Serve to Enhance the Oncogenicity or Lethality of Canonical, Translocation-Generated, Chimeric Transcription Factors in Pediatric and Young Adult Sarcomas**  
Marc Ladanyi, MD
- 1:05 PM Lunch Break

2:05 PM

## **Targeted Inhibition of Epigenetic Modifiers in Leukemia**

Jolanta Grembecka, PhD

### **SESSION II**

## **Mechanisms of Resistance/New Targets**

MODERATOR: Agata Smogorzewska, MD, PhD

2:40 PM

### **Rewiring Cancer Drivers To Activate Apoptosis**

Sai Gourisankar, BS

2:55 PM

### **Amplicon Structure Creates Collateral Therapeutic Vulnerabilities in Neuroblastoma**

Yi Bei, MSc

3:10 PM

### **Fet Fusion Oncoproteins Create Functional Atm Defects in Ewing Sarcoma**

Asmin Tulpule, MD, PhD

3:25 PM

### **Phenotypic Screens Identify Genetic Regulators of Nanoparticle Delivery to Pediatric Tumors**

Joelle Straehla, MD

3:40 PM

### **Identifying Metabolic Vulnerabilities Of Pax3-Foxo1+ Rhabdomyosarcoma**

Katrina Paras, BS

3:55 PM

### **Overcoming Clinical Resistance to EZH2 Inhibition Using Rational Epigenetic Combination Therapy**

Yaniv Kazansky

4:10 PM

### **Genomic and Functional Analysis to Elucidate Mechanisms of Osteosarcoma Metastasis and Therapy Resistance**

Alejandro Sweet-Cordero, MD

4:45 PM

### **Closing Remarks**

Agata Smogorzewska, MD, PhD

5:00 PM

Adjourn

## **Networking Reception & Dinner**

**6:00 - 9:00 PM**

**Upstairs at The Kimberly**

**145 East 50<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10022**

Join us for an opportunity to connect and interact with attendees and faculty at the Symposium Networking Reception and Dinner.  
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**Tuesday, May 2, 2023**

- 8:45 AM Breakfast
- 9:35 AM **Introduction and Welcome**  
Andrew Kung, MD, PhD
- 9:45 AM **Transcriptional Dysregulations in AML - Insights from Meningioma-1**  
Kathrin Bernt, MD
- 10:20 AM **Deciphering Genetic Predisposition to Childhood Leukemia**  
Vijay Sankaran, MD, PhD

**SESSION III**  
**Signaling/Transcriptional Regulation**

MODERATOR: Andrew Kung, MD, PhD

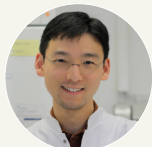
- 10:55 AM **RNA-Sequencing of Archived Tumors Reveals Dependencies and Drug Targets For Desmoplastic Small Round Cell Tumors**  
Madelyn Espinosa-Cotton, PhD
- 11:10 AM Break
- 11:40 AM **The Role of Immunosuppressive Tumor-Associated Macrophages in Mycn-Driven Neuroblastoma**  
Hiroyuki Yoda, PhD
- 11:55 AM **Loss of Micrnas Cooperates with Tumor Suppressors to Initiate Myc-Dependent Metastatic Medulloblastoma**  
Sheila Alcantara Llaguno, MD, PhD
- 12:10 PM **Reshaping the Dark Genome by Oncogenic Chimeric Transcription Factors**  
Olivier Delattre, MD, PhD
- 12:45 PM **Closing Remarks**  
Alex Kentsis, MD, PhD
- 1:00 PM Symposium Adjourn and Lunch



# Symposium Faculty



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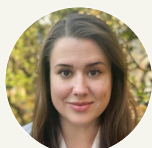
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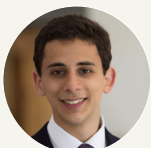
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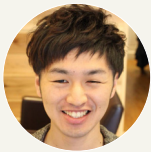
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## At the conclusion of this Symposium, attendees will be able to:

- Explain biologic and developmental causes of childhood cancers.
- Review recently developed therapies for patients with childhood and young-onset cancers.
- Discuss new biologic questions in order to accelerate the development of definitive therapies for patients.

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The **Robert Steel Foundation for Pediatric Cancer Research** was established to honor the memory of Robert Steel, who died in 1984 at the age of eighteen after a heroic two-year struggle against rhabdomyosarcoma. Throughout the years, the Foundation supported MSK programs and initiatives devoted to speeding progress against childhood cancers, and its farsighted generosity has made **The Robert Steel Symposium in Developmental Oncology** possible. By bringing together leading scientists to address the latest challenges and opportunities in pediatric cancer research and treatment, **The Robert Steel Symposium in Developmental Oncology** continues to advance the vital work launched by the **Robert Steel Foundation for Pediatric Cancer Research** more than three decades ago.





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