Molecular Basis for Neoplasia in the Digestive Tract

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Tuesday April 3, 2001, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Gregg Conference Center, 270 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania

Schedule of Events

- 7:30 Continental Breakfast
- 8:20 Welcome and Overview-Anil Rustgi, M.D.

Models of Digestive Disease: Metaplasia, Dysplasia, Neoplasia

Moderator-Anil Rustgi, M.D.

- 8:30 Helicobacter-dependent mouse models of gastric cancer. Timothy Wang, M.D., University of Massachusetts
- 9:00 A Model of Intestinal Metaplasia.Debra Silberg, M.D., Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania
- 9:15 Regulatory cascades in gastrointestinal proliferation and differentiation Klaus Kaestner, Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania:
- 9:45 Growth and differentiation of normal human colonic cells in organotypic culture Meenhard Herlyn, D.V.M., Wistar Institute

10:15 Break

DNA Mismatch Repair and Cancer

Moderator-Timothy Hoops, M.D.

- 10:30 Biophysical mechanisms of DNA Mismatch Repair Richard Fishel, Ph.D., Thomas Jefferson University
- 11:00 Normal and perturbed regulation of the human DNA mismatch repair system in colorectal cancer.C. Richard Boland, M.D., University of California, San Diego:

11:30 am -1:15 pm Lunch and Poster Session.

Cell Cycle, Senesence and Apoptosis

Moderator-Gregorgy Enders, M.D., Ph.D.

- 1:15 Mechanisms of Apoptosis. Craig Thompson, M.D., University of Pennsylvania:
 1:45 Regulation and role of the INK4a/ARF locus in intestinal neoplasia. Gregory Enders, M.D., Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania
 2:00 Apoptosis in primary liver cells and in hepatocellular carcinoma.
- David Brenner, M.D., University of North Carolina:
- 2:30 Oncolytic Adenoviruses. Katherine L. Molnar-Kimber, Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania:
- 2:45 TRAIL Pathway in Esophageal Cancer.Wafik El-Deiry, M.D., Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania
- 3:15 Close of Conference Anil Rustgi, M.D.

This event is free of charge, but advance registration is required. For more information, contact the Center at kaislisa@mail.med.upenn.edu.