2019 Conquer Cancer Foundation Career Development Award Recipients*
*Reflects recipient institutions at the time of award; Listing current as of 5/15/2019

Conquer Cancer Foundation of ASCO/Breast Cancer Research Foundation® Career Development Award

Tarah J. Ballinger, MD
Indiana University
“Good vibrations: a novel mechanical intervention to understand and preserve musculoskeletal health in early stage breast cancer”
Mentored by: Theresa Guise, MD, Kathy Miller, MD (2000 CDA)

Yasir Y. Elamin, MD
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
“Optimizing targeted therapy for HER2 mutant non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) and other solid tumors”
Mentored by: John Heymach, MD, PhD (2003 YIA, 2004 CDA)

Deborah A. Forst, MD
Massachusetts General Hospital
“Psychological Intervention for Caregivers of Patients with Malignant Gliomas”
Mentored by: Jennifer Temel, MD (2005 CDA)

Katie A. Greenzang, MD, EdM
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
“Enhancing Information, Preparation, and Shared Decision-Making about Long-term Outcomes of Pediatric Cancer and its Treatment”
Mentored by: Jennifer Mack, MD (2005 YIA, 2007 CDA)

Glenn J. Hanna, MD
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
“Circulating human papillomavirus (HPV) cell-free (cf)DNA in head and neck cancer”
Mentored by: Pasi Janne, MD, PhD (2001 YIA)

Conquer Cancer Foundation of ASCO/Sarcoma Foundation of America Career Development Award

Matthew Ingham, MD
NewYork-Presbyterian and Columbia University Irving Medical Center
“A Phase II Study of the PARP Inhibitor Olaparib in Combination with the DNA Damaging Agent Temozolomide for the Treatment of Advanced Uterine Leiomyosarcoma”
Mentored by: Gary Schwartz, MD
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Katarzyna J. Jerzak, MD, MSc, FRCP
Sunnybrook Research Institute
“Routine MRI screening versus symptom-directed screening for brain metastases among patients with triple negative or HER2+ metastatic breast cancer: A single-centre randomized phase II pilot study”
Mentored by: Ellen Warner, MD, MSc

Conquer Cancer Foundation of ASCO/Women Who Conquer Cancer Career Development Award

Emily E. Johnston, MD, MS
The University of Alabama at Birmingham
“Hospice Use at the End-of-Life in Children with Cancer”
Mentored by: Smita Bhatia, MD, MPH (1996 YIA), Joanne Wolfe, MD

Chrisann Kyi, MD
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
“A Phase I Study of ESK1-Bispecific T-cell Engager (BiTE) Antibody Targeting WT1 for the Treatment of Patients with Recurrent Ovarian Cancer”
Mentored by: David Scheinberg, MD, PhD (1987 YIA)

Vincent K. Lam, MD
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
“Cell-free DNA (cfDNA) to detect minimal residual disease, predict therapeutic response, and characterize immunogenomic evolution in early-stage NSCLC treated with neoadjuvant immunotherapy”

Stephanie Lheureux, MD, PhD
University Health Network
“Enhancing Immunogenicity in recurrent Endometrial Cancer by modulating Tumour microenvironment and DNA damage response”
Mentored by: Elise Kohn, MD, Amit Oza, BSc, MD, MBBS, FRCP

Pavlos Msouel, MD, PhD
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
“Targeting synthetic vulnerabilities induced by stress responses in SMARCB1-deficient malignancies”
Mentored by: Nizar Tannir, MD, FACP

Aparna Raj Parikh, MD
Massachusetts General Hospital
“Systematic Liquid Biopsies to monitor treatment effect in gastrointestinal (GI) cancer patients”
Mentored by: Bruce Chabner, MD, Ryan Corcoran, MD, PhD (2012 YIA)
Eirini Pectasides, MD, PhD  
*Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center*  
“Overcoming Genomic Mechanisms of Resistance to ERBB2 Blockade in Gastroesophageal Adenocarcinoma”  
Mentored by: Adam Bass, MD (2008 YIA), Manuel Hidalgo-Medina, MD (2001 CDA)

Enrique Soto Pérez de Celis, MD, MSc  
*Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Medicas y Nutricion Salvador Zubiran*  
“Accuracy of a Mobile Sensor-Based System for the Detection of Chemotherapy Toxicity in Older Adults with Cancer in a Developing Country”  
Mentored by: Alvaro Aguayo Gonzalez, MD

Sarah E. Taylor, MD  
*University of Pittsburgh*  
“Phase II A trial of delayed initiation of olaparib maintenance therapy in platinum sensitive recurrent ovarian cancer”  
Mentored by: Ronald Buckanovich, MD, PhD