CANCER CONSORTIUM AWARDS $1.25M IN RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

2020 PILOT AWARD RECIPIENTS

Each year, through a highly competitive process, the Fred Hutch/University of Washington Cancer Consortium awards research grants to fuel new scientific pursuits and interdisciplinary collaborations. Awards provide a minimum of $80,000 in direct costs and support innovative proposals which are reviewed by Consortium experts and leaders. This year, a special focus has been placed on projects targeting cross-disciplinary research (^), health equity research (▲) and catchment area needs (▲▲). More than $1.25M in cancer-focused research funding has been awarded to 12 Consortium faculty since April 2020.
**2020 Pilot Grant Awardees**

**Fred Hutch**

**Teresa Hyun, MD, PhD** (Hematologic Malignancies | Disciplines: Clinical, Population)
*Lymphomas and its precursors in the Consortium’s 13-county catchment area – understanding differences between counties and comparison with nation-wide data*

**Parth Shah, PharmD, PhD** (Cancer Epidemiology, Prevention & Control)
*Testing a multimodal communication strategy to support pharmacy-located HPV vaccination*

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**University of Washington**

**Marianne Dubard-Gault, MD** (Other – Oncology Research)
*Breast and Ovarian Catchment Pilot Grant: Clinical Outcomes for Offering Genetic Testing in a Tiered Approach*

**Savannah Partridge, PhD** (Breast & Ovary Cancers)
*Radiomics-based Phenotyping for Improved Biologic Stratification and Treatment of Breast Tumors*

**Kerryn Reding, PhD, MPH** (Cancer Epidemiology, Prevention & Control | Disciplines: Clinical, Population)
*A Physical Activity Intervention to Address Substantial Reductions in Cardiorespiratory Fitness After Treatment in Breast Cancer Survivors*

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**Seattle Children’s**

**Alpana Waghmare, MD** (Hematologic Malignancies)
*Virus specific immunity in hematopoietic cell transplant recipients with parainfluenza virus infection: impact on progression to lower respiratory tract disease*
2020 Safeway Pilot Grant Awardees

Fred Hutch

**Brandon Hadland, MD, PhD** (Hematologic Malignancies)
*Modeling the prenatal origins of pediatric acute leukemias in vitro*

**Michael Haffner, MD, PhD** (Prostate Cancer)
*Development of a Novel DNA Methylation Biomarker for the Detection and Monitoring of Neuroendocrine Prostate Cancer*

**Stanley Lee, PhD ^** (Hematologic Malignancies | Disciplines: Basic, Clinical)
*Functional dissection of RNA splicing regulation in normal and malignant hematopoiesis*

University of Washington

**Stacey Cohen, MD** (Other – Oncology Research)
*Pilot study of oral cryotherapy vs. oral cryotherapy plus acupuncture and acupressure to decrease chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy from oxaliplatin-based chemotherapy for GI cancers*

**Natasha Hunter, MD *** (Breast & Ovary Cancers)
*Tissue and liquid biopsy for remotely located breast cancer patients with bone-only metastases*

**Yasemin Sancak, PhD** (Other – Oncology Research)
*New Methods to Dissect Mitochondria-Organelle Interactions in Cancer*