Cancer Consortium Welcomes Dr. Thomas J. Lynch Jr.

The Cancer Consortium is pleased to welcome Dr. Thomas J. Lynch Jr. as its new Director. Following a distinguished career as a medical leader at Harvard and Yale — where he was director of the Yale Cancer Center — and a recent stint heading research at New York pharmaceuticals giant Bristol Myers-Squibb, Dr. Lynch has chosen to head West to continue his work helping to develop treatments and cures for cancer. Read more here

STAFFING UPDATE:

The Cancer Consortium welcomes Marcie Buckner, Program Administrator, Office of Education & Training (OET). Marcie joined Fred Hutch as Program Administrator for the Cancer Consortium/OET in January of this year. She came to us from the University of Washington having served the last ten years as Administrative Director of the Medical Scientist Training Program. Welcome Marcie!

SAVE THE DATE:

Metabolomics Symposium

The Northwest Metabolomics Research Center is organizing a 2-day symposium and workshop on metabolomics Wednesday, March 18 – Thursday, March 19. The first day of the symposium will include talks and poster presentations related to the field of metabolic profiling spanning a range of techniques and applications, while the second day will feature in-depth workshops focused on the current methods used in metabolomics, including: sample preparation, mass spectrometry, NMR spectroscopy, and statistical and pathway analyses. Register here

Protein Computational Design Mini-Symposium

The Cancer Basic Biology and Biostatistics/Computational Biology Programs will host a mini-Symposium on Protein Computational Design on Monday, March 30. The program includes state-of-the-art overviews, cancer-oriented protein design case studies, and a panel focused on how to develop new cancer-oriented protein design projects. Trainees are encouraged to attend, and to present posters on protein design and engineering work. Register here
NEWS FROM SHARED RESOURCES

The Flow Cytometry core occupies space in the Thomas building of the Day campus and supports work from the Consortium as well as external clientele. The state-of-the-art facility has 7 analyzers with detection abilities to 35+ colors and a mass cytometer with detection capabilities of greater than 50 markers. The facility maintains 6 cell sorters with the most recent addition capable of spectral detection of greater than 35 markers and 6-way collection. A staff of 5 maintain the facility and aid with experimental\paned design, instrument optimization, data analysis, as well as training on the proper use of the instrumentation. Staff support is available Monday-Friday from 9am-8pm. The facility will soon expand to the Steam Plant where it will add an additional 5 analyzers and 2 sorters.

UPDATES FROM OFFICE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

The Office of Community Outreach & Engagement partnered with Cierra Sisters, Inc., Langston Seattle, and Fred Hutch/University of Washington Cancer Consortium experts to celebrate World Cancer Day and Black History Month with an event on Saturday, February 8. The event was held at the Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute and had over 70 participants. The event featured a movie screening of Miss Evers’ Boys, Kibibi Monie was honored, and participants had an opportunity to engage with a panel of cancer experts from Fred Hutch, UW and Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, including Rachel Issaka, Julie Gralow, Kemi Doll and Manoj Menon.

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Upcoming OCOE Events

April 4: Minority Health Awareness Month Health & Wellness Festival at Rainier Beach Community Center.

May 15: Pathways to Equity Symposium – registration will open in April.