

# CANCER CONSORTIUM AWARDS RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS



## 2021 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 (\*\*).

## 2021 Pilot Grant Awardees

Fred Hutch

**Neelendu Dey, MD<sup>++</sup>** (Pathogen Associated Malignancies)

*Advancing equity in colorectal cancer screening through microbiome profiling*

**Mark Headley, PhD** (Cancer Immunology)

*Interrogating the function of a novel vascular sampling dendritic cell subset in NK-cell mediated control of lung metastasis*

**David Hockenbery, MD<sup>++</sup>** (Cancer Basic Biology)

*Links between dysbiotic gut microbiomes and obesity-associated colorectal carcinomas.*

**David MacPherson, PhD** (Cancer Basic Biology)

*CRISPRa screens performed in vivo to identify drivers of chemoresistance in small cell lung cancer*

**Margaret M. Madeleine, MPH, PhD\*** (Pathogen Associated Malignancies)

*Landscape of Telehealth in Washington State*

**Manoj Menon, MD, MPH<sup>++</sup>** (Pathogen Associated Malignancies)

*Pilot study of an early genomic profiling program in patients with newly diagnosed advanced stage non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)*

**Evan Newell, PhD** (Cancer Immunology)

*Longitudinal tracking of Merkel cell carcinoma specific T cell responses: testing biomarker utility of Merkel cell polyomavirus specific cells and associated cellular phenotypes.*

University of Washington

**Maitreya Dunham, PhD** (Cancer Basic Biology)

*Functional interpretation of G6PD variants to predict rasburicase intolerance in tumor lysis syndrome*

**Lawrence D. True, MD<sup>^</sup>** (Prostate Cancer | Disciplines: Basic, Clinical)

*The clonal origin of metastatic prostate carcinoma*