



**Cancer: Pathophysiology, Current Therapies,  
Clinical Trials and Drug Development**  
Virtual Training Program  
March 13 - 15, 2024

**Wednesday, March 13, 2024 – Program Day 1**

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**Session  
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10:00 – 10:15 AM

**PERI Welcome and Course Overview**

Jo Ann Zoul, Course Manager  
The Pharmaceutical Education and Research Institute, Inc.

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM

**Considerations for Clinical Trial Design and Endpoints Toward  
U.S. Drug Approval**

Geetika Srivastava, MD, MSPH  
Medical Officer, Division of Oncology III  
Office of Oncologic Diseases  
Center for Drug Evaluation & Research  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

*Planned Topics*

- Safety and Efficacy requirements for approval
- Clinical Trial Endpoints, trial designs, types of approval
- Expedited Review Procedures

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***Morning Break***

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

**Improved Strategies for Selecting Recommended Phase 2 Dosing:  
Moving Beyond Maximum Tolerated Dose**

Miao Zhao, Senior Clinical Pharmacologist  
Division of Cancer Pharmacology I  
Office of Clinical Pharmacology  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

*Planned Topics*

- Learnings from “toxic” examples
- Clinical Pharmacology driven decision making
  - Dose-response and exposure-response
- Non-oncology learnings
- Dose Selection
  - Importance and process
  - Alternatives to toxicity driving RP2D
  - Pharmacodynamic endpoints in early drug development

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***Lunch Break***

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**Design and Analysis of Oncology Studies**

Malini Iyengar, PhD

Biometrics Team Leader, Hematology-Oncology Statistics

AstraZeneca

*Planned Topics*

- Study Design
- Trials with Objective Response Rates
- Trials with PFS, OS

2:30– 2:45 PM

***Afternoon Break***

2:45 – 4:00 PM

**Regulatory Actions and Outcomes for NDAs and BLAs**

Florence Houn, MD, MPH, FACP

Consultant, Drug Development & Regulatory Capacity Building

*Planned Topics*

- Refuse to file, filing over protest, withdrawal
- PDUFA VII Interactions
- Complete Response, Approval, Appeals
- PMR/PMC, REMS

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**End of Day One**

**Thursday, March 14, 2024 – Program Day 2**

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10:00 – 10:15 AM

**Day Two Overview, Welcome**

Jo Ann Zoul, Course Manager  
The Pharmaceutical Education and Research Institute, Inc.

10:15 – 11:15 AM

**Gene and Cell Therapy Introduction**

Pashna N. Munshi, MD  
Associate Professor  
University of Pennsylvania

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*Planned Topics*

- Overview of Gene Therapy
- Gene Editing: Clinical Uses
- Approved CAR-T cell therapies

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***Stretch Break***

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**Drug Development in Gynecologic Malignancies**

Gwynn Ison, MD  
Office of Oncologic Diseases  
Center for Drug Evaluation & Research  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

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*Planned Topics*

- Ovarian, cervical, and endometrial cancers

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***Lunch Break***

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**Prostate Cancer Clinical Update**

Marijo Bilusic, MD, PhD  
Medical Oncology/GU Site Disease Group Lead  
Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center/University of Miami Health  
System

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*Planned Topics*

- Current treatment landscape for metastatic prostate cancer
- Immunotherapy for prostate cancer
- Novel treatment options

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***Afternoon Break***

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**Breast Cancer Clinical Update**

Melanie Royce, MD, PhD  
Senior Physician / Clinical Reviewer, Division of Oncology I  
Office of Oncologic Diseases  
Center for Drug Evaluation & Research  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

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*Planned Topics*

- Background
- Diagnosis & Staging
- Treatment

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**End of Day Two**

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**Friday, March 15, 2024 – Program Day 3**

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10:00 – 10:15 AM	<b><u>Day Three Overview, Welcome</u></b> Jo Ann Zoul, Course Manager The Pharmaceutical Education and Research Institute, Inc.	
10:15 AM – 11:15 PM	<b><u>Colorectal Cancer Clinical Update</u></b> Benjamin A. Weinberg, MD Associate Professor of Medicine, Division of Hematology and Oncology Gastrointestinal Medical Oncologist, Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center Georgetown University Medical Center  <i>Planned Topics</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review IDEA data of 3 vs. 6 months of adjuvant chemotherapy</li><li>• Review current NCCN guidelines for metastatic disease</li><li>• Updates on BRAF-targeted therapy</li></ul>	<b>9</b>
11:15 – 11:30 AM	<b><u>Morning Break</u></b>	
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	<b><u>Lung Cancer Clinical Update</u></b> Chul Kim, MD, MPH Assistant Professor, Thoracic Oncology MedStar Georgetown University Hospital  <i>Planned Topics</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overview of molecular pathogenesis of lung cancer</li><li>• Staging and treatment of lung cancer</li></ul>	<b>10</b>
12:30 – 1:45 PM	<b><u>Lunch Break</u></b>	
1:45 – 2:45 PM	<b><u>Nonclinical Development of Oncologic Agents</u></b> Simon Williams, PhD Pharmacologist, Division of Hematology Oncology Toxicology Office of Oncologic Diseases Center for Drug Evaluation & Research U.S. Food and Drug Administration  <i>Planned Topics</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Defining Targets</li><li>• Safety &amp; Toxicology</li></ul>	<b>11</b>

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***Afternoon Break***

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**Pediatric Regulations and FDA Initiatives Supporting Development  
for Pediatrics**

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Kristin Wessel, MD  
Division of Oncology 2  
Office of Oncologic Diseases  
Center for Drug Evaluation & Research  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

*Planned Topics*

- Challenges and Opportunities in Pediatric Oncology Trials
- Legislation Impacting Drug Development in Pediatric Oncology
- Pediatric Oncology at FDA

4:00 PM

**End of Course**