

#NRG2023



# NRG Oncology General Session

July 21, 2023

12:00 – 1:00 PM ET

Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Philadelphia, PA



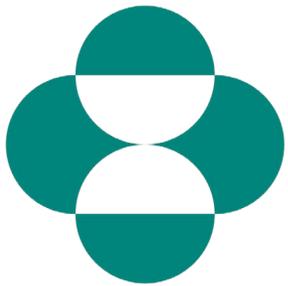
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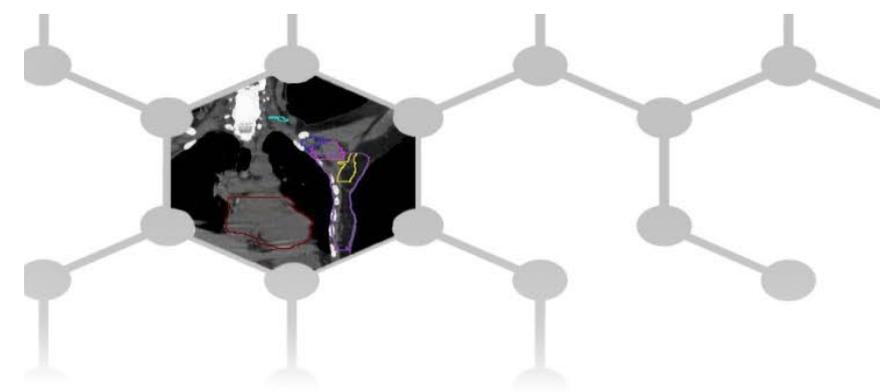
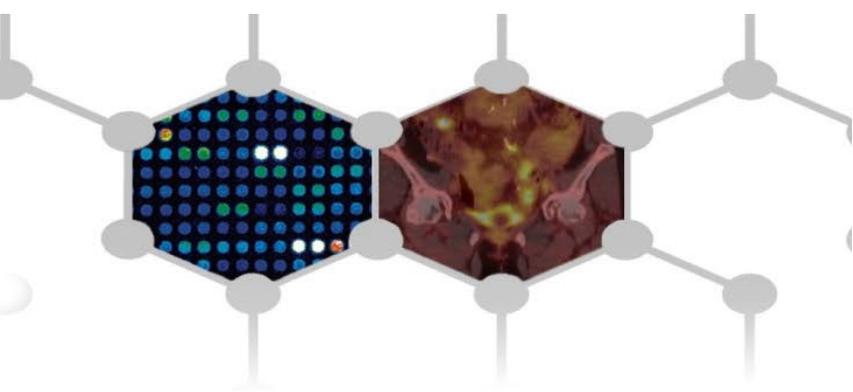
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# Celebrating 10 Years of NRG Oncology





# In 2013

Three of the original NCI-funded Cooperative Groups



joined together to form



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*Advancing Research. Improving Lives.™*

**With a mission to**

***improve the lives of cancer patients by conducting practice-changing multi-institutional clinical and translational research with emphases on **gender-specific malignancies** including gynecologic, breast, and prostate cancers and on **localized or locally advanced cancers of all types.*****

# Founding Group Chairs



Walter J. Curran, Jr. MD

Norman Wolmark, MD

Philip J. DiSaia, MD

# NRG Oncology @ 10 Years

## In 10 Years NRG has

- Activated 93 trials
- Enrolled 32,317 patients to our trials
- Enrolled 3,481 patients from 15 international sites on 66 trials
- Published 762 manuscripts
- Presented 708 abstracts at scientific meetings

# NRG Oncology @ 10 Years

## Today NRG has

- 51 trials open for enrollment
- 69 trials collecting follow-up data
- 2,063 member sites in 49 states, Puerto Rico, Guam and 15 countries
  - 197 Main Member + 1,866 Affiliates
  - 185 sites with minority/underserved populations



# NRG

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# Recognizing Past Committee Chair



**Krishnansu Tewari, MD**  
**Chair, Publications Committee**  
University of CA - Irvine



# Recognizing Past Committee Vice Chair



**Elizabeth Gore, MD**  
Vice Chair, Publications Committee



# Publication Committee Leadership Changes



**David Mutch, MD**

Chair, Publications Committee  
Washington University – St. Louis



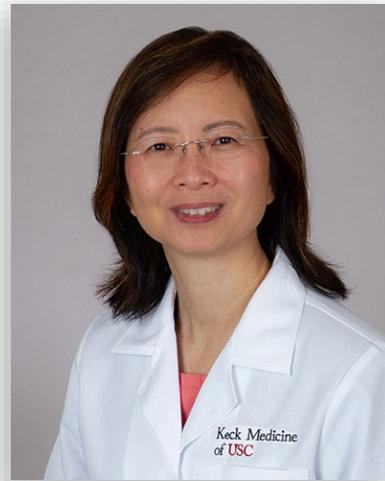
**William Small Jr, MD**

Vice Chair, Publications Committee  
Cardinal Bernardin Cancer Center

# Committee Leadership Changes



**Tracey Crane**  
Vice Chair  
**Cancer Control  
Committee**  
*University of Miami*



**Janice Lu, MD**  
Vice Chair  
**Immunotherapy  
Subcommittee**  
*USC Norris CCC*



**Erin McCaig, RN, BSN**  
Vice Chair  
**PSC CTN Subcommittee**  
*Cancer Research for the  
Ozarks*

# Biospecimen Bank Leadership Changes



**Richard Jordan, DDS, PhD**  
Biospecimen Bank PI  
UCSF Health  
2013 - 2023



# Biospecimen Bank Leadership Changes



**Jeffry Simko, MD, PhD**  
Biospecimen Bank PI  
*UCSF Health*  
*July 01, 2023*

# WVOCA Funds Health Equity Fellowship Award

The West Valley Ovarian Cancer Alliance (WVOCA) recently pledged to donate \$25,000 to NRG Oncology to be split between the NRG Health Equity Fellowship Program. This generation donation is delivered on top of WVOCA's \$38,000 donation from April 2022.

Donations were received through the Annual Teal Ribbon Golf Tournament, a charity event hosted by WVOCA.



**Laurel Pracht, BS**

Founder, Board Chair of WVOCA  
NRG Patient Advocate (CPC, CCDR)  
NCI Steering Committee (QoL)

# Health Equity Underserved Minority Investigator Program



- Started in 2021 by NCORP PI Joan Walker to train early-stage investigators in the NRG Oncology system through a structured mentorship experience with an emphasis on recruitment of researchers from underrepresented groups.
- 2-Year Fellowship with support of \$25,000 per year
- Funding obtained via private donations
- 3 Fellowships awarded that started in 2022
- 3 More awarded to start in 2023.

# Health Equity Underserved Minority Investigator Program

- Request for applications for 2024 will be issued July 2023

Applications Submission: September 2023

Awards Announced: November 2023

Award Period: 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2025

- Number to be awarded is dependent on funding

<https://www.nrgoncology.org/Health-Equity>



# Travel Award Recipients

## Early Career & New Investigator Travel Awardees



**Gary Lewis, MD**  
University of Arkansas for  
Medical Sciences (UAMS)



**David Qian, MD**  
Emory University – Winship  
Cancer Institute

## Machtay Young Investigator Awardee



**Christina Wei, MD**  
City of Hope Medical Center

# Early Career & New Investigator Mentored Fellowship Program

## 2023 Program Awardees:

- Brain Cancer - **Vikram Jairam, MD**, Yale University
- Breast Cancer - **Julia Foldi, MD, PhD**, University of Pittsburgh
- Cancer Prevention & Control - **Abigail Zamorano, MD**, University of Texas Health Science Center
- Dev. Therapeutics, Gynecologic Cancer - **Laura Chambers, DO**, Ohio State University Wexner College of Medicine
- Gastrointestinal (Colorectal) Cancer - **Vaia Florou, MD, MS**, Huntsman Cancer Institute
- Gastrointestinal (Non-Colorectal) Cancer - **Leila Tchelebi, MD**, Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell
- Genitourinary Cancer - **Krishnan R. Patel, MD**, NIH National Cancer Institute
- Head & Neck Cancer - **Gary Lewis, MD**, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS)
- Lung Cancer - **David P. Qian, MD, PhD**, Emory University
- Ovarian Cancer - **Kristin Taylor, MD**, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- Uterine Cancer - **Jessica St. Laurent, MD**, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Dana Farber Cancer Institute

Learn more about the ECNI Fellowship Program on the NRG Website

# Committee Spotlight

# Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee

- Committee established by NRG Oncology in January 2023
- To facilitate and integrate diversity, equity, and transparency to organization wide activities and to promote a culture of inclusivity and belonging for all members in accordance with the mission of NRG Oncology

# DEI Committee Update

- **DEI Consultant Selection: Pope Consulting**

- **Launching programs beginning Fall 2023**

- Fall 2023: Leadership preparation and education
- Winter 2023: Opportunities for focus group participation will be announced to the membership over email

- **Survey Tool Selection: University of Chicago Survey Lab**

- **Anticipated survey period: August-September 2023**

- Intended Recipients: All individuals on the NRG roster
- Combination of demographic and DEI questions
- Goal(s) of survey:
  - Describe current demographic composition of NRG Oncology
  - Gain insight into barriers and opportunities for DEI growth and development across NRG Oncology
  - Provide de-identified, aggregate baseline data as a reference for future progress assessments

# Protocol Support Committee (PSC)

## *Recruiting New Members*

- **Primary functions**
  - Provide support and quality control of protocol-related activities
  - Education & training of NRG Oncology members on relevant topics
  - Mentorship
- **The PSC includes 2 subcommittees**
  - Clinical Trial Nurse Subcommittee (CTN)
  - Clinical Research Associate Subcommittee (CRA)
- **Working Groups:** Education & Training, Mentorship, Protocol Review, Quality Control and Communications

**RFA Window will occur during the Fall. Always refer to the NRG email blasts for more information and specific dates.**

# Support Committee (PSC) Executive Team

Contact any Executive Team member for more information.



*Top row: Lauren Seames, Marissa Weiss, Alex Kudryashev, Alison Ivey, Donna White.  
Bottom row: Nancy Fusco, Terry Thomas, Cindy Licavoli, Kristen Kostko*



*You're  
Invited*



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10TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

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*Friday, July 21st 2023*

*6:00 - 8:00 PM*

*in-person only - Philadelphia, PA*

*Held at the Barnes Foundation*