# Kidney Cancer Program

**Harold C. Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center, UT Southwestern Medical Center**

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## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
- One of the largest kidney cancer programs in the world
- Survival rates that triple national benchmarks for Stage 4 patients and improved across stages
- Development of first-in-class drug going from gene discovery to a phase 3 trial seeking FDA approval
- One of only two programs in the U.S. developing immunotherapies with a Nobel Prize-winning immunologist
- Largest and most innovative radiation oncology program pioneering new applications
- One of the first to develop kidney tumor ablation programs in U.S.
- First molecular classification-setting foundation for precision medicine approaches
- Largest robotic kidney surgery program in North Texas
- Founding member of the first national Kidney Cancer Clinical Trials Network
- National research hub

## EXPERTISE
- 180+ Physicians and Scientists
- 18 Research Tracks

## RECOGNITION
- Specialized Programs of Research Excellence Award, National Cancer Institute
- Inaugural Healthcare Innovation Award Finalist, D CEO Magazine
- Leaders in Clinical Excellence Program Award, UT Southwestern Medical Center

## SPECIALIZATIONS
- Clinical Genetics
- Medical Oncology
- Pediatric Oncology
- Pediatric Urology
- Radiation Oncology
- Subspecialty Radiology
- Subspecialty Pathology
- Urology

## RESEARCH FUNDING (2013–2019)
> $120 million

## FOUNDATION
**UT Southwestern Medical Center**

- Ranked No. 1 globally for health care research by *Nature Index*
  - 6 Nobel Laureates
  - 24 National Academy of Sciences members
  - 16 National Academy of Medicine members
  - 13 Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigators

**Harold C. Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center**

- One of 91 comprehensive cancer centers designated by the National Cancer Institute in the U.S. and the only one in North Texas
- One of only 30 National Comprehensive Cancer Network centers