



Kidney Cancer Association® IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

UT Southwestern
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Kidney Cancer Program

From Mouse to Medicine: RCC Model Systems for Discovery and Translation

UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX

Thursday, September 11th, 2025

2:00pm - 5:30pm

The Mouse Kidney Cancer Atlas: From Genes to the Clinic

Marston Linehan* (National Cancer Institute)

Ari Hakimi (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center)

Tao Yue (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Tailored Tumors: Precision-Engineered Kidney Cancer Models

William Kaelin* (Dana-Farber Cancer Institute)

Mahul Amin (LabCorp)

Payal Kapur (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

James Brugarolas (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Roberto Pili (University of Buffalo)

Friday, September 12th, 2025

7:30am - 6:30pm

Foundations in Fur: Genetically Engineered Mice as RCC Pioneers

Bingqing Xie (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Ari Hakimi (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center)

Lorraine Gudas (Weill Cornell)

Sakari Vanharanta (University of Helsinki)

Tom Carroll (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Shades Beyond Clear: GEM Models of Rare Renal Cell Carcinomas

Andrea Ballabio* (Telethon)

Gopinath Prakasam (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Tamara Lotan (Johns Hopkins)

Gabriel Malouf (University of Strasbourg)

Laura Schmidt (National Cancer Institute)

Eyal Gottlieb (MD Anderson Cancer Center)

Lisa Henske (Brigham & Women's Hospital)

Alessandra Boletta (Ospedale San Raffaele)

* Keynote Speaker

Code to Cancer: In Vivo CRISPR Engineering of Renal Tumors

William Kaelin (Dana-Farber Cancer Institute)
Giannicola Genovese (MD Anderson Cancer Center)
Lynda Vuong (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center)
Hui Jiang (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center)
James Brugarolas (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Patient Tumors, Mouse Hosts: PDX Models Driving RCC Translation

Roy Elias/Vanina Toffessi Tchueyap (Johns Hopkins/UT Southwestern Medical Center)
Niki Zacharias Millward (MD Anderson Cancer Center)
Oriol Cassanovas (Catalan Institute of Oncology)

*Live PDX Workshop***Bridging Species: Humanized Mouse Models for Kidney Cancer**

Richard Flavell* (Yale University)
Mike Brehm (University of Massachusetts)
David Hsu (Duke University)
Keith Lawson (University Health Network)
Hamid Rabb (Johns Hopkins)
Tao Yue (UT Southwestern Medical Center)

Kidneys Cancer in a Dish: Organoid Models as Translational Testbeds

Annika Fendler (Charite Berlin)
Srinivas Malladi (UT Southwestern Medical Center)
Samir Zaidi (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center/Yale University)
Allison May (University of Virginia)

*Reception, ND14 (6:30pm-8:30pm)***Saturday, September 13th, 2025**

7:30am - 12:45pm

Breakout Sessions***Pixels and Pathology: Digital Frontiers in Kidney Cancer Modeling***

Mahul Amin / Yingbei Chen / Payal Kapur / Sabina Signoretti

Calibrating the Model: Benchmarking RCC Platforms for Clinical Relevance

James Brugarolas / Roberto Pili

Blueprints for Success: Best Practices in RCC Model Development

Ari Hakimi / Ram Srinivasan

* Keynote Speaker

From Discovery to Delivery: RCC Models Powering Therapies, Resistance Solutions, and Diagnostics

Bruce Beutler*

Noelle Williams

Ralph DeBerardinis

Javier Garcia Bermudez

Scott Welford

Chunling Yi

Dan Siegwart

Prateek Khanna

Xiankai Sun

Qing Zhang

* Keynote Speaker