

Retreat Program

Thursday, September 28

9:30 – 1:00 pm **Registration – Conference Registration Area (main level)**
1:30 – 3:15 pm **Registration – Banquet View Room Registration Area (2nd floor)**

All Presentations – Banquet View Rooms 1, 2 and 3 (2nd floor)

10:00 – 10:05 am **Introduction**
Mark Shlomchik, MD, PhD
Professor and Chair, Dept. of Immunology

10:05 – 10:35 am **Robert Ferris, MD, PhD**
Director, UPMC Hillman Cancer Center; Hillman Professor of Oncology;
Associate Vice-Chancellor for Cancer Research; Co-Director, Tumor
Microenvironment Center; Professor, Depts. of Otolaryngology,
Immunology and Radiation Oncology
*Probing the Tumor Microenvironment to Develop Novel
Immunotherapeutic Combinations for Cancer*

10:40 – 10:55 am **Sherry Zhang**
Grad Student poster winner 2016
Dept. of Immunology, Vignali Lab
A Tale of Two-Face: The Role of LAG3 in T Cell Tolerance

11:00 – 12:15 pm **Poster Session (odd numbered abstracts)**
Conference Rooms 4, 5 and 6 (main level)

12:20 – 1:25 pm **Lunch – Glessner Auditorium (main level)**

1:30 – 2:00 pm **Anuradha Ray, PhD**
Professor
Depts. of Medicine and Immunology; Endowed Chair in Lung Immunology
Airways at the Crossroads of Immune Tolerance and Severe Asthma

2:05 – 2:35 pm **Carolyn Coyne, PhD**
Associate Professor
Dept. of Pediatrics; Director, Center for Microbial Pathogenesis
Antimicrobial Signaling at the Maternal-Fetal Interface

2:40 – 3:10 pm **Craig Byersdorfer, MD, PhD**
Assistant Professor
Dept. of Pediatrics
*Targeting T Cell Metabolism to Treat and Prevent Graft-versus-Host
Disease*

3:15 – 6:00 pm **Room Check-in begins at 4:00 (main level front lobby)**
Free time to enjoy Oglebay facilities and interact with colleagues

6:00 – 7:30 pm **BBQ Dinner – West Spa Patio (level 5 entrance)**
(In the event of inclement weather – Glessner Auditorium)

7:30 – 8:30 pm **Keynote Speaker**
Donna L. Farber, PhD
George H. Humphreys, II Professor of Surgical Sciences (in Surgery)
Professor of Microbiology & Immunology
Chief, Division of Surgical Sciences
Columbia University Medical Center
Human Immune Responses in Tissues and Circulation

8:45 – 9:45 pm **“Family Feud” Social - Glessner Auditorium (main level)**
10:00 - midnight **“Fire Pit/Pool” Social - Indoor Pool/Lawn Fire Pit (2nd floor)**

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7:30 – 8:55 am **Breakfast – Glessner Auditorium (main level)**
Check-out by 11:00 am

9:00 – 9:30 am **Mark Shlomchik, MD, PhD**
UPMC Endowed Professor and Chair
Dept. of Immunology
Signaling and Selection in the Germinal Center

9:35 – 10:05 am **Lisa Borghesi, PhD**
Associate Professor
Dept. of Immunology
Creating a Human B Cell Atlas Using Computational Flow Cytometry

10:10 – 10:25 am **Gracie Liu**
Postdoc poster winner 2016
Dept. of Immunology, Vignali Lab
Breaking Down the Conspiracy: Regulatory T Cell Dysfunction Leads to the Loss of Immunosuppressive Macrophages in the Tumor Microenvironment

10:30 – 11:45 am **Poster Session (even numbered abstracts)**
Conference Rooms 4, 5 and 6 (main level)

11:45 – 12:55 pm **Lunch – Glessner Auditorium and Lawn (main level)**
Group Photograph

1:00 – 1:15 pm **Yifei Wang**
Oral Presentation from Selected Abstracts
Graduate Student, Dept. of Immunology, Binder Lab
CD91-Dependent Release of IL-1 β by GP96 Involves the Activation of the Inflammasome Complex

1:20 – 1:50 pm **Daniel Kaplan, MD, PhD**
Associate Professor
Dept. of Dermatology
Non-Hematopoietic Cells Can Modulate Skin Immunity

1:55 – 2:05 pm **Closing Comments/Poster Awards**
Creg Workman, PhD

2:10 pm Departure at your convenience.

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