



**ABSTRACT
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DEADLINE:**
Wednesday,
January 17, 2018

4TH ANNUAL **IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY** Young Investigators' Forum

An Academic Research Forum Focusing
on Research and Career Development for Oncology
Junior Faculty, Fellows, and Postdoctoral Researchers



April 19-22, 2018
The Houstonian Hotel
Houston, Texas
www.IOYIF.com

Presented by The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and Creative Educational Concepts, Inc.
in collaboration with the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer.

This activity is supported by an independent educational grant from AstraZeneca.

Eligibility

- US-based Junior Faculty, Fellows, and Postdoctoral Researchers (MDs, DOs, and PhDs) involved in immuno-oncology research.

Junior Faculty (Instructors or Assistant Professors not more than 5 years from first faculty appointment)

- » Clinician Scientist (MD/DO ± PhD in active patient care and conducting any lab-based or clinical research)
- » Research Scientist (MD/DO and/or PhD conducting full time, lab-based research)

Fellows and Postdoctoral Researchers (Must be enrolled in an ACGME-accredited fellowship program or have completed a PhD program within the past 5 years)

- » Clinical Fellow (MD/DO ± PhD conducting any clinical or lab-based research in immuno-oncology)
- » PhD Postdoctoral Researcher (PhD conducting lab-based research in immuno-oncology)

- Candidates must be based in the United States and training must be completed at a US-based institution.
- Candidates are not eligible to apply if they have previously participated in the IOYIF unless they attended as a Fellow and have moved to a Junior Faculty position.
- All work must be unpublished original research in an area related to immuno-oncology. Please note: publication of research as an abstract alone does not preclude eligibility; however, an abstract will not be accepted if it has been published as a full manuscript before January 17, 2018.
- Abstracts to be presented at future medical meetings are eligible for submission.

Abstract Policies and Procedures

- Only one abstract submission per Young Investigator will be accepted.
- Abstracts must conform exactly to the abstract preparation instructions. Those that do not may be rejected.
- Only original work done by the Young Investigator will be accepted.
- All accepted abstracts will be published in an electronic program to be provided to all attendees. The publication of electronic hand-out materials will not preclude publication or presentation elsewhere.
- Please note that all Young Investigator contact information will be shared with the Society for Immunotherapy in Cancer (SITC), our educational partner. SITC also reserves the right to select award-winning IOYIF abstracts and related presentations for future presentation at the SITC Annual Meeting (or related events) and for publication right-of-first-refusal in the *Journal for Immunotherapy of Cancer*, the official journal of SITC.

Selection Process

Submission deadline is Wednesday, January 17, 2018

- Expert Faculty Judges will review and score all submissions. The top 35 abstracts will be accepted.
- Authors of the abstracts selected for presentation at the Forum will be expected to present their research according to their status at the time the research was completed (i.e., if research was conducted during fellowship training, it will be presented in the Fellows category).
- All presentations will be podium format and will consist of a 10 minute formal presentation with PowerPoint slides and 10 minute question-answer period.

Finalists

The 35 finalists (authors of accepted abstracts) will be provided with the following:

- One round-trip, non-refundable, economy-class airline ticket, if outside the Houston area.
- A ground transportation stipend, or mileage reimbursement, for transfers to and from the program hotel in Houston.
- 3 nights lodging (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday) at The Houstonian Hotel.
- All group buffet meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) for the duration of the meeting.

Items that will *not* be covered include:

- Ground transportation to and from your home airport
- Meals en route
- Baggage fees

Please note: Expenses for accompanying travelers will not be provided. Guests are not permitted to attend any portion of the meeting, including buffet meals. All travel arrangements will be made through a travel coordinator with Creative Educational Concepts.

Awards

An awards ceremony will be held on Saturday evening, April 21, 2018, at which time financial grants will be awarded to the first-, second-, and third-place winners in each of the categories (grants ranging from \$500-\$1500). The recipients of the two \$10,000 Immunology Oncology Distinguished Young Investigator Awards (Junior Faculty) will also be announced at this time. Grant payments will be made to the affiliated institution of each winning Young Investigator after the live program date.

Instructions for Abstract Preparation and Submission

1. Submission: Please visit www.ioyif.com to complete the abstract submission.

2. Identification: Upon entering the abstract submission website, you will be required to submit the following information:

- Full name, degree(s), credential(s)
- Mailing address
- Daytime telephone, fax, and e-mail
- Current institution
- Previous institution (where research was conducted, if applicable)
- Submitting author and study type: (Clinician Scientist, Research Scientist, Clinical Fellow, or Postdoctoral Research Fellow)

3. Format: Abstracts should be uploaded as a Microsoft Word document with your last name in the document name.

Abstracts should consist of a brief title (bolded) descriptive of the research. Include first and last names and degrees of the authors. Underline the presenting author's name and list the name and location of the institution where research was completed. Do not identify authors or institutions in the body of the abstract. Sans serif font (such as Arial or Helvetica) is preferred. Do not use font sizes smaller than 10 point.

Abstract text must be 500 words or less. Please make sure all figures are high resolution (at least 300 dpi). No more than a total of 4 figures and/or tables per submission are permitted. Please limit figures to 1 graph or image each (i.e., no multiple-part figures). Legends should be included with the abstract text and not as part of the figures (not included in the 500-word limit); figures should be embedded in the abstract file and not included as separate attachments.

Organize the body of the abstract in the following manner:

- a) Disclosure of relevant financial relationships (not included in word count)
- b) A sentence stating the purpose of the study
- c) A brief statement of methods
- d) A summary of results
- e) A statement of conclusions reached. It is not satisfactory to state, "The results will be discussed."

4. Notification

Abstract Receipt:

An automatic email confirming abstract submission will be provided upon completion of the online submission process.

Abstract Acceptance:

Notification of abstract acceptance or rejection will be provided to you via e-mail by the end of February.