PILOT GRANT

Two-year grant totaling $100,000 per award to support innovative basic, translational or clinical research in pancreatic cancer. Particular consideration is given to projects that are nonduplicative with the potential for national application.

Randy Pausch, PhD - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Pilot Grant
Nabeel Bardeesy, PhD
Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston
Molecular Markers of Drug Sensitivity in Pancreatic Cancer

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Pilot Grant
Dafna Bar-Sagi, PhD
New York University School of Medicine, New York
Impact of Diet-Induced Hyperlipidemia on Pancreatic Inflammation and Cancer

Michael C. Sandler - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Pilot Grant
Matthias Hebrok, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
NF-kB Signaling in PanIN Formation

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Pilot Grant
Bin Liu, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
Internalizing Human Antibodies Targeting Pancreatic Tumor Cells in Situ

For more information about the grants program, please contact Rhonda Aizenberg, PhD, Senior Manager of Research/Senior Program Officer, raizenberg@pancan.org. If you are interested in funding a research grant or learning more about naming opportunities with the grants program, please contact Pamela Acosta Marquardt, Founder & Director of Donor and Corporate Relations at 310-725-0025, or pmarquardt@pancan.org.

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"This year's funding level, totaling $1,045,000, is our most significant yet and is made possible by the incredible generosity of our donors and volunteers. The research supported by these funds provides hope to the pancreatic cancer community and comes at a time of increased momentum by our organization to help raise federal and private dollars to speed the discovery of a cure for pancreatic cancer. They demonstrate the importance we place on expanding research, promoting innovation, and building a cadre of scientists committed to advancing the detection, diagnosis and treatment of the disease."

- Julie Fleshman, President and CEO

The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network awarded 11 grants to support pancreatic cancer research in 2008. To ensure that we fund the very best science in the country, the grants program is administered in partnership with the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) using their peer review system.

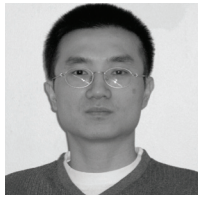
Since 2003, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network has awarded 38 grants totaling over $3.7 million to scientists throughout the United States. These investments have been used to develop innovative models and new ideas, pushing science to the next forefront. Important examples of how our grants have been leveraged include:

- David Tuveson, MD, PhD and Sunil Hingorani, MD, PhD, who leveraged their investment to develop the mouse model for pancreatic cancer which is being used by scientists worldwide, leading to discoveries in the development of therapeutics and early detection.
- Anirban Maitra, MD, who leveraged his investment to expand knowledge about pathway development and the mechanisms needed to get therapy to the "target" to treat pancreatic cancer.
- Jennifer Tseng, MD, who leveraged her investment to develop databases where clinical information about patients, including family history, symptoms, test results, and treatment, can be linked to information about specific genes and proteins present in these patients and their tumors. These links will help us understand individual risk for pancreatic cancer, and eventually, to customize and optimize treatment strategies.

Our 2008 research portfolio includes one Fellowship Award, six Career Development Awards and four Pilot Grants. This year's recipients represent ten academic and medical institutions from around the country. We are pleased to introduce the 2008 grant recipients below.

FELLOWSHIP AWARD

One-year grant totaling $45,000 awarded to a postdoctoral or clinical research fellow at an academic facility, teaching hospital or research institution who is sponsored by a mentor.



Samuel Stroum - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Fellowship
Ken-Tye Yong, PhD
State University of New York, Buffalo
Engineering Multimodal Targeted Probes for Pancreatic Cancer Detection

CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Two-year grant totaling $100,000 per award that is provided to junior faculty at academic and medical institutions.

Constance Williams - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Career Development Award
Marie-Christine Daniel, PhD
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Multifunctional Nanovectors for Pancreatic Cancer Therapy

Seena Magowitz - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Career Development Award
David W. Dawson, MD, PhD
University of California, Los Angeles
Wnt Signaling in Pancreatic Cancer Progenitor Cells

Blum-Kovler - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Career Development Award
Joseph Michael Herman, MD
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore
Evaluation of Focused Radiation to Enhance the Impact of a Pancreatic GM-CSF Vaccine

Skip Viragh - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Career Development Award
Hyunki Kim, PhD
The University of Alabama at Birmingham
MRI to Monitor Early Pancreatic Tumor Response to a Novel Triple Therapy

Laurie and Paul MacCaskill - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Career Development Award
Lorenzo F. Sempere, PhD
Dartmouth Medical School, Hanover, NH & Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH
Role of MicroRNAs in Initiation and Progression of Pancreatic Cancer

Patty Boshell - Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - AACR Career Development Award
Peter Storz, PhD
Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, FL
Kinases Regulating Pancreatic Cancer Resistance to Chemotherapeutics