**Short Course in Cancer Biology January 7-10, 2015**

U54 Partnership for Excellence in Cancer Research

University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center and The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Codification: **BCHM 8995**

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University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus, University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center and The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Target audience: Junior and senior undergraduate students, medical students, and graduate students

Pre-requisite for undergraduates:

Cellular Biology (*Biología de la Célula*) BIOL 4350

Contact Hours: 30

Credits: 2 credit hours, registration required; Special Topics in Cancer Biology **BCHM 8995**

Description: Introductory level course composed of lectures in the biology of cancer for upper level

undergraduate, pre-medical students, medical students, and pre-candidacy graduate students. The Course covers concepts in cancer biology ranging from basic cell biology to translational applications of cancer biology.

Registration: Pre-registration is required (by November 2014). Students from other UPR campuses (except UPR-Medical Sciences Campus) and the Ponce School of Medicine will need to request and have a “special permit” signed by a liaison from the corresponding campus. Registration fees are the same cost for credit as those for all regular courses at the UPR - Medical Sciences Campus. The registration process will be completed during the registration period for the 2015 Spring Semester.

Final Scores:

Undergraduate students will receive a grade A to F

Graduates score will be either Pass or Fail

Wednesday, January 7 to Saturday, January 10, 2014.

Mornings: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Afternoons: 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Location: The University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center

 The University of Puerto Rico - Medical Sciences Campus,

 San Juan, Puerto Rico

**COURSE CONTENT AND SCHEDULE**

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| **DATE** | **TIME** | **TOPIC** | **HOURS** | **SPEAKER** | **INSTITUTION** |
| **Day 1****Wed****Jan 7** | **DEVELOPMENT & PROGRESSION OF CANCER** |
| **9:00 AM** | **Course Introduction, Principles and Pathology of Cancer**  | **3.0 hours** | **David McConkey Ph.D** | **MDACC** |
| **1:00 PM** | **Signaling Pathways and Aberrant Cell Signaling in Cancer** | **3.0 hours** | **Pedro G. Santiago-Cardona PhD** | **PSM&H**  |
|  | **4:00 PM** | **Clinical Translational Correlation Breast Cancer** | **1.5 hours** | **Edna Mora, MD** | **UPR** |
| **DAY 2 ThursdayJan 8** | **GENETICS RELATED TO THE BIOLOGY OF CANCER**  |
| **9:00 AM** | **Epigenetic Regulation and Cancer** | **3.0 hours** | **Michele Barton, PhD** | **MDACC** |
| **1:00 PM** | **TCGA The Cancer Genome Atlas** | **3.0 hours** | **Tim Heffernan PhD**  | **MDACC** |
| **4:00 PM** | **Clinical translational correlation Leukemia** | **1.5 hours** | **Maribel Tirado MD** | **UPR** |
| **DAY 3****Friday****Jan 9** | **Mouse Models and Tumor Microenvironment** |
| **9:00 AM** | **The mouse as a model for studying the p53 tumor suppressor pathway** | **3.0 hours** | **Gigi Lozano PhD** | **MDACC** |
| **1:00-6:00 PM** | **Tumor microenvironment and metastases** | **5.0 hours** | **Raghu Kalluri** **PhD** | **MDACC** |
| **DAY 4****Saturday****Jan 10** | **Clinical Translational Correlations and Immunology** |
| **9:00 AM** | **Clinical Translational Correlation** **Colorectal Cancer** | **1.5 hour** | **Marcia Cruz-Correa, MD** | **UPR** |
|  | **Anal Cancer & HPV** **Overview of PR Registry &Stats** | **1.5 hour** | **Ana Patricia-Ortiz, PhD** | **UPR** |
|  | **Genetic Ancestry and Breast Cancer** | **1.0 hour** | **Julie Dutil, PhD** | **PSM&HS** |
| **1:00 PM** | **The Immune System and Cancer**  | **3.0 hours** | **Willem Overwijk PhD** | **MDACC** |

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