

# Cancer Molecular Therapeutics Research Association (CMTRA)

## Annual Conference 2026

July 12-16, 2026

### Schedule and Program

#### Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup> 2026: Snowbird Resort, Mt. Superior Room

\*All events will be held in the Mt. Superior room or terrace unless otherwise specified

4:00-6:00 pm	Arrival & Check-In
6:00-7:00 pm	Dinner
7:30-7:45 pm	<b>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION:</b> <b>Martin McMahon, PhD</b> President CMTRA Huntsman Cancer Institute & Department of Dermatology, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah
7:45-8:45 pm	<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Christina Curtis, PhD, MSc</b> RZ Cao Professor and Professor of Genetics Stanford University <i>"Title TBD"</i>
9:00 pm	Welcome Reception; Terrace
<b>Monday, July 14<sup>th</sup> 2026: Morning</b>	
7:30-8:15 am	Breakfast: Terrace
8:30 am-12:00 pm	<b>MORNING SESSION: Novel Approaches to Cancer Vulnerabilities</b> Discussion Leader: Bob Abraham, PhD CMTRA Board Member
8:30-8:45 am	Introduction: Bob Abraham, PhD
8:45-9:15 am	<b>Kevin Marks, PhD</b> President and CEO, Delphia Therapeutics <i>"Title TBD"</i>
9:15-9:45 am	Discussion
9:45-10:05 am	Coffee Break; Terrace

10:05-10:35 am	<b>Edmond Chipomuro, PhD</b> Halda Therapeutics <i>"Title TBD"</i>
10:35-11:05 am	<b>Discussion</b>
11:05-11:25 am	<b>Corleone Delaveris, PhD</b> Inversion Therapeutics <i>"Title TBD"</i>
11:25-11:45 am	<b>Discussion</b>
12:00-1:00 pm	<b>Lunch; Terrace</b>
1:00-5:00 pm	<b>OPEN NETWORKING AFTERNOON</b> Activities at Snowbird: swimming, tram rides, mountain biking, hiking, spa, etc. See hotel for more info.
5:00-6:30 pm	<b>POSTER SESSION AND SOCIAL; Mt. Superior Room</b>
6:30-7:30 pm	<b>Dinner; Terrace</b>
<b>Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 2026: Evening</b>	
7:30-9:45 pm	<b>EVENING SESSION: Lineage Plasticity in Cancer</b> Discussion Leader: Aria Vaishnavi, PhD CMTRA Board Member
7:30-7:45 pm	<b>Introduction: Aria Vaishnavi</b>
7:45-8:15 pm	<b>Cory Abate-Shen, PhD</b> Professor of Urological Oncology Columbia University <i>"Title TBD"</i>
8:15-8:45 pm	<b>Discussion</b>
8:45-9:15 pm	<b>Trudy Oliver, PhD</b> Professor of Pharmacology and Cancer Biology Duke University <i>"Title TBD"</i>
9:15-9:45 pm	<b>Discussion</b>
9:45 pm	<b>Social, Hospitality Suite</b>
<b>Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> 2026: Morning</b>	
7:30-8:15 am	<b>Breakfast; Terrace</b>

8:30 am-Noon	<b>MORNING SESSION: PDAC</b> Discussion Leader: TBD
8:30-8:45 am	Introduction: TBD
8:45-9:15 am	<b>Marina Pasca di Magliano, PhD</b> Professor of Surgery, Surgical Immunology & Cell and Developmental Biology University of Michigan <i>“Title TBD”</i>
9:15-9:40 am	Discussion
9:40-10:00 am	<i>Group photograph on Terrace, coffee break</i>
10:00–10:30 am	<b>Rushika Perera, PhD</b> Associate Professor, School of Anatomy UCSF <i>“Title TBD”</i>
10:30-11:00 am	Discussion
11:00-11:30 am	<b>Diane Simeone, MD</b> Professor of Surgery UCSD <i>“Title TBD”</i>
11:30-12 Noon	Discussion
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch; Terrace
1:00-5:00 pm	<b>OPEN NETWORKING AFTERNOON</b>
5:00-6:30 pm	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION – “AI/Machine Learning”</b> Discussion Leader: Hans Bitter, Emma Lees Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Surge Biswas- Nabla Bio</li> <li>● Elliot Hershberg- Amplify</li> <li>● Ian Quigley- Leash Bio</li> </ul>
6:30-7:30pm	Dinner; Terrace
<b>Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> 2026: Evening</b>	

<b>7:30-9:45 pm</b>	<b>EVENING SESSION: Hormone-Dependent Cancers</b> Discussion Leader: Lori Friedman, PhD CMTRA Board Vice President
<b>7:30-7:45 pm</b>	Introduction: Lori Friedman
<b>7:45-8:15 pm</b>	<b>Donald McDonnell, PhD</b> Glaxo-Wellcome Distinguished Professor of Molecular Cancer Biology, Professor of Pharmacology and Cancer Biology, Professor in Medicine, Professor of Cell Biology Duke University <i>"Title TBD"</i>
<b>8:15-8:40 pm</b>	Discussion
<b>8:45-9:15 pm</b>	<b>Alana Welm, PhD</b> Chair and Professor, Dept. of Oncological Sciences Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah <i>"Title TBD"</i>
<b>9:15-9:40 pm</b>	Discussion
<b>9:40 pm</b>	Social; Hospitality Suite
<b>Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> 2026: Morning</b>	
<b>7:30-8:15 am</b>	Breakfast; Terrace
<b>8:30 am-12:00 pm</b>	<b>MORNING SESSION: Stress and Resistance</b> Discussion Leader: Ralph De Berardinis, MD, PhD CMTRA Board Member
<b>8:30-8:45 am</b>	Introduction: Ralph De Barardinis
<b>8:45-9:15 am</b>	<b>Jessalyn Ubellacker, PhD</b> Assistant Professor, Molecular Metabolism Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health <i>"Title TBD"</i>
<b>9:15-9:40 am</b>	Discussion
<b>9:40-10:00 am</b>	Coffee Break; Terrace
<b>10:00-10:30 am</b>	<b>Micha Rapé, PhD</b> Professor, Division of Molecular Therapeutics UC Berkeley

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<b>10:30-10:55 am</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>11:00-11:30 am</b>	<b>Matt Oser, MD, PhD</b> Assistant Professor of Medicine Dana Farber Cancer Institute <b><i>“Title”</i></b>
<b>11:30-11:55 am</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>12:00-1:00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch; Terrace</b>
<b>1:00 - 2:00 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>2:00-5:00 pm</b>	<b>AFTERNOON SESSION: Chemical Biology</b> Discussion Leader: Matt Patricelli, PhD CMTRA Board Member
<b>2:00-2:15 pm</b>	<b>Introduction: Matt Patricelli</b>
<b>2:15-2:45 pm</b>	<b>Chris Parker, PhD</b> Professor, Dept. of Chemistry Scripps Research <b><i>“Title TBD”</i></b>
<b>2:45-3:05 pm</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>3:05–3:35 pm</b>	<b>Brian Liao, PhD</b> Associate Professor, Dept. of Chemistry and Chemical Biology Harvard University <b><i>“Title TBD”</i></b>
<b>3:35-4:05 pm</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>4:05-4:35 pm</b>	<b>Fleur Ferguson, PhD</b> Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry UCSD <b><i>“Title TBD”</i></b>
<b>4:35-5:00 pm</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>5:00-6:00 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>6:00-7:00 pm</b>	<b>Dinner; Terrace</b>
<b>Tuesday, July 15th 2026: Evening</b>	

7:15-8:15 pm	<p><b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Charles Sawyers, PhD</b>          HHMI Investigator, Chair of Human Oncology and Pathogenesis Program          Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center  <i>“Title TBD”</i></p>
8:30-10:00 pm	Closing Reception; Terrace
<b>Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> 2026</b>	
	<p><b>Breakfast on own. Onsite options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Atrium- Cliff lodge</li> <li>● Seventy One- Cliff Lodge</li> <li>● Creekside Cafe + Grill- Snowbird Center</li> <li>● General Gritts Bodega- Snowbird Center</li> <li>● Sidecar Coffee- Snowbird Center</li> <li>● Baked and Brewed Coffee- Snowbird Center</li> </ul>
11:00 am	<b>Check out by 11:00AM</b>
<p><b>IMPORTANT NOTICE:</b> By attending this conference, you agree to respect the confidentiality of the proceedings. Specifically, photographing or recording of sessions, posters or discussions is not permitted. Reference to material presented or discussed may not be included in any publication. Permission to cite information may subsequently be obtained directly from the presenter and is beyond the control of the meeting organizers.</p>	

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