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AACI HEADLINES

[AACI CADEx Meeting Highlights Power of Data](#)



Pictured: AACI CADEx Planning Committee members
Photo credit: Randy Belice

AACI convened the **2025 AACI Catchment Area Data Excellence (CADEx) Conference, January 29-31**, in Coronado, CA. Participants included cancer center catchment area data scientists, geospatial statisticians, and other experts, who addressed emerging topics in cancer prevention and control analytics. [Read More](#)

[AACI 2024 Report: Better Together](#)



In 2024, AACI helped advance the goals of the oncology ecosystem through collaborations with cancer centers and other stakeholders from government and industry. The association's 2024 report highlights how AACI is connecting members of the cancer center network so we can all work better together. [Read the Report](#)

[Winkfield to Keynote 2025 AACI Leadership Workshop](#)

Karen Winkfield, MD, PhD, will deliver the opening keynote, "Crafting Your Career Path: A Strategic Planning Workshop," at 8:00 am central time on **Tuesday, March 11**, to kick off AACI's 2025 leadership workshop. Drawing from last year's inspirational keynote, Dr. Winkfield will guide attendees as they explore a variety of opportunities within the



oncology field and learn how to navigate their personal career journey. [Read More](#)

[Federal Grant Freeze Causes Confusion for Cancer Centers](#)

In a week marked by a flurry of executive actions and legal challenges, the White House's funding freeze directive triggered widespread concern throughout the cancer center community. The rapidly evolving situation, which stems from a series of executive orders issued by President Trump, has raised critical questions about the day-to-day operations of government-funded health agencies. [Read More](#)

[Abstract Submission Tool Open for 17th Annual AACI CRI Meeting](#)



Abstract submissions are now being accepted for the **17th Annual AACI Clinical Research Innovation (CRI) Meeting, June 23-25, 2025**, at the Loews Chicago O'Hare Hotel in Rosemont, IL. Completed abstracts are due by **5:00 pm Pacific time on Monday, March 3**. [Read More](#)

[AACI Welcomes Advarra to Tech Gold](#)



AACI welcome **Advarra** to its **Tech Gold** members. For over 35 years, Advarra has been dedicated to advancing clinical research. From its origins in ethical review, Advarra has grown to provide institutional review board, institutional biosafety committee, data monitoring committee, endpoint adjudication committee, site and sponsor technology solutions, and research quality and compliance consulting services. [Read More](#)

NEWS FROM THE CENTERS

AWARDS & HONORS

[Blau Awarded National Medal of Science](#)

[Stanford Cancer Institute](#)

Often called "America's Nobel Prize," the National Medal of Science honors the country's leading researchers. Stem cell biologist and Stanford Cancer Institute faculty member **Helen Blau, PhD** (pictured, right), was recognized for her work on cellular plasticity and aging. [Read More](#)



[Chhabra Honored With AACR Award](#)

[Fox Chase Cancer Center, Temple Health](#)



Yash Chhabra, PhD, assistant professor in the Cancer Signaling and Microenvironment Research Program at Fox Chase Cancer Center, was recently honored with the American Association for Cancer Research's (AACR) NextGen Stars Award. [*Read More*](#)

[CoC Accreditation Earned Again](#)

[Montefiore Einstein Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

Montefiore Einstein Comprehensive Cancer Center (MECCC) continues to rank among the nation's top cancer centers, earning three-year accreditation again from the Commission on Cancer (CoC) of the American College of Surgeons. The accreditation builds on MECCC earning comprehensive status from the National Cancer Institute in 2023. [*Read More*](#)

[New American Statistical Association President Says Statisticians Can Change the World](#)

[University of Florida Health Cancer Center](#)



Ji-Hyun Lee, DrPH, became the 120th president of the American Statistical Association (ASA) on January 1. She is the first Korean American statistician, the first woman statistician from Florida, and the first cancer center applied biostatistician in the history of the ASA presidency. [*Read More*](#)

[Center Honored Among Best in Nation](#)

[University of Virginia Cancer Center](#)

Becker's Hospital Review has named UVA Cancer Center to its 2024 list of 100 hospitals and health systems with great oncology programs. [*Read More*](#)

GRANTS & GIFTS

[ARPA-H Awards up to \\$17.6 Million to Innovate Cancer Surgery, Improve Outcomes](#)

[Multicenter Trial Addresses Food Insecurity, Malnutrition in Cancer Patients](#)

[The University of Kansas Cancer Center](#)

[Donations Support Glioma Research](#)

[Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center](#)

[DOD Grant Awarded to Develop Immunotherapy for Small-Cell Lung Cancer](#)

[UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

LEADERSHIP TRANSITIONS

[Davis Named Surgical Oncology Lead](#)

[Stimpson Cancer Center, University of Oklahoma](#)



Jeremy L. Davis, MD, has been appointed the new surgical oncology lead for University of Maryland Marlene and Stewart Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center and chief of the Division of Surgical Oncology in the Department of Surgery at University of Maryland School of Medicine. [Read More](#)

[Dunbrack Appointed Co-Leader of the Cancer Signaling and Microenvironment Program](#)

[Fox Chase Cancer Center, Temple Health](#)



Roland Dunbrack, PhD, professor in the Cancer Signaling and Microenvironment Research Program at Fox Chase Cancer Center, has been appointed co-leader of the program alongside its current leader, **Edna (Eti) Cukierman, PhD**. [Read More](#)

[Co-Leader of Cancer Control and Population Sciences Research Program Named](#)

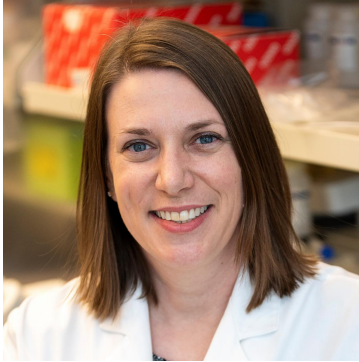
[University of Florida Health Cancer Center](#)

Sulma Mohammed, DVM, PhD, a cancer biology and health disparities researcher, has been named co-leader of the UF Health Cancer Center's Cancer Control and Population Sciences research program. She will also serve as co-director of the National Cancer Institute-funded Florida-California Cancer Research, Education and Engagement CaRE2 Health Equity Center. [Read More](#)



[Woyach Named Director of Hematology](#)

[The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center - James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute](#)



Jennifer Woyach, MD, a blood cancer doctor and researcher who has been with Ohio State for more than 12 years, has been named director of the Division of Hematology at OSUCCC – The James. [*Read More*](#)

[Mericliler Joins GW Cancer Center](#)

[GW Cancer Center](#)



Meric Mericliler, MD, has joined the George Washington (GW) University Cancer Center and the GW Medical Faculty Associates as a hematologist-oncologist specializing in benign hematology. [*Read More*](#)

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS

[People Find Medical Test Results Hard to Understand, Increasing Overall Worry](#)

[University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center](#)

[Breast Cancer Drug Could Also Treat Some Blood Cancers](#)

[Siteman Cancer Center](#)

[Advanced Imaging Uncovers Hidden Metastases in High-Risk Prostate Cancer Cases](#)

[UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

[A Battle of Rafts: How Molecular Dynamics in CAR T Cells Explain Their Cancer-Killing Behavior](#)

[Dan L Duncan Comprehensive Cancer Center at Baylor College of Medicine](#)

[Can You Steam Away Prostate Cancer?](#)

[USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

[Scientists Identify New Epigenetic Approach to Target Colorectal Cancer](#)

[Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins University](#)

[Changes in Microbiome Predict Risk for Sexually Transmitted Disease](#)

[Montefiore Einstein Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

[New Cause of Chemotherapy Resistance in Triple-Negative Breast Cancer Identified](#)

[Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

[Drug Designed to Treat Neuropathy Advances in Clinical Trials](#)

[Stony Brook Cancer Center](#)

[AI Tool Created to Democratize Access to Cancer Immunotherapy](#)

[The Tisch Cancer Institute at Mount Sinai](#)

[Study Highlights New Target, Potential Therapy for Treatment-Resistant Cancers](#)

[UK Markey Cancer Center](#)

[New AI Platform Identifies Which Patients Are Likely to Benefit Most From a Clinical Trial](#)

[Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University](#)

[Treatment for Liver Cancer Shows Big Promise in Global Study](#)

[The Tisch Cancer Institute at Mount Sinai](#)

[Unique AI Predicts Cancer Prognoses, Responses to Treatment](#)

[Stanford Cancer Institute](#)

[First-of-Its-Kind Blood Test for Head and Neck Cancer](#)

[University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center](#)

[New Approach Shows Promise for B-Cell Lymphoma](#)

[Siteman Cancer Center](#)

[U.S. Soldiers Ten Times More Likely to Use Addictive Nicotine Pouches](#)

[University of Virginia Cancer Center](#)

[ZIC1 Gene Drives Distinct Medulloblastoma Types in Different Ways](#)

[Dan L Duncan Comprehensive Cancer Center at Baylor College of Medicine](#)

OTHER NEWS

[Physicians Begin Prescribing FDA-Approved Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Device to Treat Advanced Liver Cancer](#)

[Karmanos Center Institute, Wayne State University](#)

Karmanos Cancer Institute has announced that the TheraBionic P1 device, an FDA-approved, at-home treatment, is now available to treat advanced liver cancer. Karmanos is the first institution worldwide to prescribe this treatment. [Read More](#)

[New Mobile Cancer Screening Clinic Launched](#)

[Huntsman Center Institute at the University of Utah](#)



Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah hosted a ribbon cutting for its second mobile screening clinic in collaboration with the Utah County Health Department. **Peter Huntsman**, chairman and CEO of Huntsman Cancer Foundation, spoke at the event. [Read More](#)

[Partnership Advances Targeted Therapies for Blood Cancers](#)

[Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah](#)

Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah has joined other institutions on an innovative clinical trials program designed to match patients with acute myeloid leukemia and myelodysplastic syndromes with a clinical trial specifically designed for the genetic signature of their disease. Sponsored by the National Cancer Institute, the myeloMATCH program aims to improve precision medicine. [Read More](#)

[Karmanos Opens Clinic in Dearborn](#)

[Karmanos Cancer Institute, Wayne State University](#)



Karmanos Cancer Institute has cut the ribbon on its 17th clinic, in Dearborn, Michigan. To read an article about the center in Arabic, click [here](#). [Read More](#)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

[Chief Quality Officer](#)

[Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

[Manager, SCC Clinical Research Office, Training Development](#)

[Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center, UT Southwestern Medical Center](#)

[Hematologist/Oncologist, Racine](#)

[UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute](#)

[Director, Bioinformatics Shared Resource](#)

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[Faculty or Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Oncology-Focused Pharmacoeconomics](#)

[Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Harvard Medical School](#)

[Assistant Director of Finance](#)

[The University of Arizona Cancer Center](#)

[Chair, Department of Internal Medicine](#)

[Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center](#)

[Leukemia Program Head](#)

[Fred Hutch Cancer Center](#)

[Senior Director Cancer Research Operations I - Research Division](#)

[Cleveland Clinic Cancer Center](#)

[Grant Support Specialist](#)

[UK Markey Cancer Center](#)

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Frontiers Symposium on Transformation in Cancer Care Delivery](#)

[Hosted by Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah](#)

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[February 17-19, 2025](#)

[Marriott Downtown City Creek](#)

[Salt Lake City, UT](#)

2025 AACI MEETINGS

[2025 AACI Leadership Diversity and Development Workshop](#)

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[March 11-12, 2025](#)

[Loews Chicago O'Hare Hotel](#)

[Rosemont, IL](#)

[2025 AACI/AACR Hill Day](#)

[SAVE THE DATE](#)

[May 22, 2025](#)

[Washington, DC](#)

[17th Annual AACI CRI Meeting](#)

[SAVE THE DATE](#)

[June 23-25, 2025](#)

[Loews Chicago O'Hare Hotel](#)

[Rosemont, IL](#)

[2025 AACI/CCAF Annual Meeting](#)

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[October 19-21, 2025](#)

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