

Curriculum Vitae
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Foreign Languages: Afrikaans (fluent), Dutch (working knowledge)

Education

1979 A Levels, Camden School for Girls, London, UK
1983 B.Sc., University College London, London, UK, Honors in Human Genetics
1990 Ph.D., Royal Post-Graduate Medical School, University of London, London, UK,
Biological Sciences

Post-Graduate Education and Training

1990-1994 Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Section of Hematology/Oncology, University of Chicago
Mentors: Professors Michelle Le Beau and Timothy McKeithan

Employment History

Academic Appointments

1994-1996 Research Associate, Section of Hematology/Oncology, University of Chicago
1996-1998 Research Associate - Assistant Professor, Section of Hematology/Oncology,
University of Chicago
1998-2005 Lecturer, King's College School of Medicine, Guy's Campus, London, UK
1998-2005 Head, Genomic Instability Laboratory, King's College School of Medicine, Guy's
Campus, London, UK
2005-present Associate Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, UMSOM,
2005-present Member, Program in Oncology, UMSOM
2010-present Member, Center for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine, UMSOM
2015-present Adjunct Associate Professor, VARI's Center for Epigenetics, Van Andel Research
Institute, Grand Rapids, Michigan
2016 Awarded Tenure, Department of Radiation Oncology, UMSOM

2019 Full Professor

Administrative Appointments

2011-2012 Interim Director of Radiobiology
2017 Co-leader of Experimental Therapeutics Program, UMGCCC

Professional Society Memberships

2002-2004 The Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) Forum (UK)
2002-present The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)
2002-present The Organization for Women in Cancer Research (WICR)
2006-present The American Society of Hematology (ASH)

Honors and Awards

1992-1995 Leukemia Society of America Fellow Award (LLS), The Molecular Basis for Fragile Sites in Cancer (\$90,000)
1994 Lilly Visiting Scholar Award, Genetics, Ethics and Society, St. Xavier's University, Chicago (\$2,000)
2007 Nominated for "Woman of the Year", Leukemia Lymphoma Society Maryland Chapter
2012 Inaugural Laura Ziskin Prize in Translational Cancer Research, Stand Up To Cancer (SU2C) (\$250,000) <http://www.umgcc.org/news/laura-ziskin-prize.htm>
2015 Member - Stand Up To Cancer – Epigenetics Dream Team
2016 FOLZ Foundation, Philanthropic Award, Grand Rapids Community Foundation, Grand Rapids, Michigan, \$50,000

Travel Awards

1992 Upjohn Travel Award from the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) for a meritorious abstract
1998 Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK Travel Award, AACR meeting on DNA Repair, Florida
2001 Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK Travel Award, AACR meeting, New Orleans
2002 Royal Society Travel Grant, Keystone Symposium on DNA Helicases and Cancer, Keystone, Colorado
2002 Elimination of Leukaemia, UK Travel Award, AACR meeting, San Francisco
2004 Royal Society Travel Award, AACR meeting, Orlando, Florida
2004 Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK Travel Award, American Society of Hematology (ASH), San Diego
2005 Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK Travel Award, to complete final reports for Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) Projects

Administrative Service

Departmental Service – University of Maryland School of Medicine

2011-2012 Chair, Radiation Oncology Pilot Grant Committee
2011-2012 Member, Radiation Oncology Executive Leadership Committee
2011-2016 Member, Radiation Oncology Resident Admissions Committee

Institutional Service – University of Maryland School of Medicine

2006-2011 Reviewer, American Cancer Society (ACS) Institutional Review Grant (IRG), Pilot Project Grants at the University of Maryland Greenebaum Cancer Center (served 1x annually)
2007-present Member, Cancer Biology Curriculum Committee
2008-2013 Organizer, Free Radical Interest Group (FRIG) monthly seminars (year round)
2009-present Member, Graduate Program in Life Science (GPLS) Curriculum Committee
2009-present Member, Master's Curriculum Committee
2009-2011 Member, School of Medicine Council
2011-present Member, T32 Cancer Biology Steering Committee
2012-present Member, Master's Program in Translational Research, Core Course
2013-present Member, Translation Laboratory Sciences Advisory Committee
2013-present Reviewer, T32 Grants (1x annually)
2013 Reviewer, Seed Grant Program UMB and UMCP (served 1x)
2014 Reviewer, Dean's Challenge Grant (served 1x)
2015 Reviewer, Graduate Application for Graduate Program in Toxicology (serve 1x)
2015 Reviewer, Graduate Application for Graduate Program in Biochemistry (serve 1x)
2015-present Member, Funding Submission Peer Review Committee, Radiation Oncology
2018-present Member of CIBR Advisory committee
2019 Member of MSTP T32 program Application

Local Service

2005 Moderator, Chromosomes and Cancer: From Translocations to Targeted Therapies, University of Chicago (served 1x)
2006 Chair Person, Baltimore Area Repair Symposium (BARS) – raised \$15,000 (served 1x)
2008 Moderator, Myelodysplastic Syndromes: Pre-clinical and Translational Science, Baltimore Area Repair Symposium (BARS) (served 1x)
2008 Chair, DNA Damage and Repair Session, American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO) Meeting (served 1x)
2011 Moderator, Clinical Translation of Epigenetic in Cancer Therapy, San Diego, CA (served 1x)
2011-present Reviewer, Nathan Schnaper Summer Intern Program candidates (serve 1x annually)
2012 Co-Organizer and Moderator, 5th Annual Maryland Stem Cell Research Symposium, Annapolis, MD (served 1x)
2012 Speaker, Stem Cell Center Fund Raiser, Black Olive Inn, Maryland (served 1x)

- 2013 Moderator, Radiation Oncology Review Course, University of Maryland (served 1x)
2017 - present Co-Organizer of the ET Retreat, University of Maryland, September, 2017 (serve 1x annually)
2019 Chair Person, Baltimore Area Repair Symposium (BARS) 2020– raised \$3,000 (served 1x)

National/International Service

- 2014 Coordinator, American Society of Hematology (ASH) Abstract Review, Category 601: Chromosomal Rearrangements and DNA Repair, San Francisco (served 1x)
2014 Moderator, Category 601: Chromosomal Rearrangements and DNA Repair, American Society of Hematology (ASH), San Francisco (served 1x)
2015 Chair, Minisymposia , Cancer Epigenetics, American Association of Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (serve 1x)
2016 Chair, Special Lecture, 18th Annual John Goldman Conference on Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: Biology and Therapy, Houston Texas (served 1x)
2017 Chair DNA Repair Session, AACR New Frontiers in Cancer Research, Cape Town South Africa, (served 1x)

Committees

- 2016 Program Committee for the AACR New Frontiers in Cancer Research Conference on January 18-22, 2017 in Cape Town, South Africa (served 1x)
2016-present AACR Regional Advisory Subcommittee on Africa (served 2x)
2017 AACR-AstraZeneca Fellowship in Ovarian Cancer Research Committee (served 1x)
2018 Forbeck focus meeting on Epigenetic Therapy (serve 1x)
2019 Member of the AACR Hematologic Malignancies Research Grants Scientific Review Committee (serve 1x)

Journal Reviewer

- 1990-present *Genes, Chromosomes & Cancer* (served 2-4x annually)
1992-present *Cytogenetics and Cell Genetics* (served 2-4x annually)
1998-present *Oncogene* (served 3-4x annually)
2002-present *British Journal of Haematology* (served 1-2x annually)
2003-present *Blood* (served 4-6x annually)
2003-present *British Journal of Cancer* (served 1-2x annually)
2003-present *Cancer Research* (served 4-6x annually)
2004-present *Expert Review of Molecular Diagnostics* (served 1x annually)
2007-present *Leukemia Research* (served 4-6x annually)
2007-present *Proceeding of the National Academy of Sciences* (served 1-2x annually)
2008-present *Nucleic Acids Research* (served 2-3x annually)
2008-present *DNA Repair* (served 1-2x annually)
2009-present *Molecular Cancer Research* (served 4-6x annually)
2012-present *Molecular Cancer and Therapy* (served 2-4x annually)
2015-present *The Journal of Pathology* (served 1x)

2016-present *Oncotarget* (served 2x)
2016-present *Leukemia and Lymphoma* (served 1x)
2017-present *Cell Reports* (served 1x)
2019-present *PNAS, USA* (served 1x)

Editorial Board Member

2003-2007 *Cancer Letters*
2009-present *Leukemia Research*

Reviewer – Grants/Abstracts

2003-present Grants/Abstracts - Leukaemia Research Fund (serve 1x annually)
2003-present Grants – Kay Kendal Research Fund (serve 1x annually)
2004-2007 Grants/Abstracts - Italian Association for Cancer Research (served 1x annually)
2005 Abstracts - Beyond Translocations to New Targets, American Society of Hematology (ASH) (served 1x)
2005/2008/2010 Grants/Abstracts – American Society of Hematology (ASH) (served 1 x annually)
2010 Grants - Radiation Oncology Pilot Grant Program (served 1x)
2012 Grants - NIH Study Section, Ad Hoc (served 1x)
2013 Abstracts – Molecular Pharmacology Drug Resistance (ASH) (served 1x)
2014 Chair and Reviewer, Abstracts – Chromosomal Rearrangements & DNA Repair, ASH (served 1x)
2015 Grants – NCI Special Emphasis Panel (R21 & R03), Bethesda, MD (served 1x)
2016/2017 Review Committee for AACR Fellowships for Hematologic Malignancies Research Scientific (serve 1x annually)
2017 Reviewer for the AACR Annual Meeting African Cancer Researchers Travel Awards (serve 1x)
2017 Review Committee of AACR Astra Zeneca Fellowship for Ovarian Cancer (serve 1x annually)
2018 Reviewer for the Global Scholar-in-Training Awards, AACR (serve 1x annually).
2019 Reviewer for LLS-TRP grants (serve 1x annually)
2019 Reviewer, BioMed, Morasha and Bikura Programs, Israel Science Foundation (ISF) (serve 1x annually).

Reviewer – Poster Discussion (served 1x)

2015 17th Annual John Goldman Conference on Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: Biology and Therapy, Estoril, Portugal

Teaching

1989 Organizer, Diploma of Clinical Pathology, Cancer Cytogenetics Practical Course, Royal Postgraduate Medical School, UK (served 1x)
1992 Lecturer, “Genetics and Cancer”, Path 301: Cellular Pathology Course, University of Chicago, 30-50 medical residents, 2 hrs/semester (served 1x)

- 1994-1997 Organizer, Hematology/Oncology Research Seminar Series, University of Chicago, 15-20 graduate students, post-doctoral fellows and faculty, 5 hrs/semester (served 1x annually)
- 1996 Organizer and Lecturer, Lilly Foundation Sponsored Lecture Series, Medical Science and Ethics, B.Sc. Course, St. Xavier's University, Chicago, 30-50 undergraduates, graduate students and faculty, 3 hrs/semester (served 1x)
- 1998 Lecturer, "Cancer Cytogenetic", Diploma in Clinical Pathology Course, King's College, London, UK, 20 attendees (medical residents) 3 hrs/semester (served 1x)
- 1999 Lecturer, "Genomic Instability in MDS", Diploma in Clinical Pathology Course, King's College, London, UK, percent of course taught: 10% (served 1x)
- 2002 Lecturer, "Genomic Instability", Regional Haematology Study Day, King's College, London, UK, percent of course taught: 10% (served 1x)
- 2005-present Lecturer, Human Genetics (HGEN 601) "Non-homologous end joining", University of Maryland, 10-15 graduate students, 1.5 hrs/semester (serve 1x annually)
- 2007-present Co-Course Master, (2007-2009) and Lecturer, Advanced Cancer Biology (GPLS 790) "DNA Repair and Cancer", University of Maryland, 15-25 students, 1.5 hrs/semester (serve 1x annually)
- 2008-2010 Lecturer, Graduate Program in Life Sciences (GPLS Core Course), Radiation Oncology, "Chromatin and Histones", University of Maryland, 50-60 students, 2.5 hrs/semester (serve 1x annually)
- 2009-2011 Course Master and Lecturer, Cancer Biology: Research to Clinic, (GPLS 665) 3-4.5 hrs/semester, (served 1x annually)
- 2009-2010, 2013 Course Master and Lecturer, Bench to Bedside: Steps in Translational Research (GPLS 791) 2 lecturers - "Introduction to Course" and "Chromosomes and Cancer", University of Maryland, 3.5 hrs/semester, 7-10 students (served 3x)
- 2009-present Lecturer, Graduate Program in Life Sciences (GPLS Core Course), "Cancer Genetics", University of Maryland, 50-60 students, 3 hrs/semester (serve 1x annually)
- 2012-present Lecturer, Oncopharmacology, (GPLS 624) "DNA Repair and Cancer", University of Maryland, 10-15 students, 3 hrs/semester (serve 1x annually)
- 2012-2013 Co-Course Master and Lecturer, Cancer Biology: Research to Clinic (GPLS 665), 2 lectures - "Leukemia – Biology I & II", University of Maryland, 13-14 students, 3 hrs/semester (served 1 x annually)
- 2014-present Co-Course Master and Lecturer, Cancer Biology: Research to Clinic (GPLS 665), "Introduction to the Course" and "Leukemia Biology I and II", University of Maryland, 3-9 students, 4.5 hrs/semester (served 1x annually)
- 2016-present Lecturer, Human Genetics (GPLS 601), "Genomic Instability", 1.5 hrs/semester, (serve 1x annually)

Radiobiology & Medical Physics Course – (University of Maryland) Resident Lectures (1x annually)

- 2006-2009 "Normal Tissue Response 1 & 2", 4-6 students, 2.0 hrs/semester
- 2006-2012 "Angiogenesis", 4-6 students, 1.0 hr/semester
- 2006-2018 "Mechanisms of Cell Death", 4-6 students, 1.0 hr/semester
- 2006-2018 "Molecular DNA Repair", 4-6 students, 1.0 hr/semester
- 2012-2018 "Chromosome DNA Damage", 4-6 students, 1.0 hr/semester

Professors Rounds UMSOM (1x annually)

2007-present Ph. D., 0.5hr/semester
2011 – present MS Students, 0.5hr/semester

Annual Radiobiology & Medical Physics Review Course - (National) Lecturer (1x annually)

2007-2015 “Apoptosis and Molecular Techniques”
2016-2018 “Cancer and molecular signaling”

Mentoring

University of Chicago

1995-1997 Tiong Ong, M.D., Fellow

King’s College, London, UK

1998-2004 Terry Gaymes, Ph.D., Post-Doctoral Fellow
1999-2004 Anjala Pradhan, Ph.D., Graduate Student
2000-2002 Dilek Aktas, M.D., Clinical Fellow
2001-2004 Nicola Brady, Ph.D., Post-Doctoral Fellow
2001-2004 Manyee Cheng, Ph.D., Post-Doctoral Fellow
2002-2003 Anne Wooley, B.S., Undergraduate Student
2003-2004 Maria Baou, B.S., Undergraduate Student
2003-2005 Nada Brown, Ph.D., Graduate Student

University of Maryland

Undergraduates Nathan Schnaper Summer Program

2007 Alisa Thavikulwat, M.D., *Topic:* Role of ATM in Leukemia (1st project)
2008 Alisa Thavikulwat, M.D., *Topic:* Role of DNA Ligase III in Leukemia (2nd project)
2009 Christine Kositz, M.D., *Topic:* Role of Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors (HDI) in Leukemia
2010 Meredith Newton, M.D., *Topic:* Role of Ku70 in Repair Resulting from HDI Treatment
2011 Vishaili Purohit, M.D., *Topic:* Role of RAC/STAT5 in DNA Repair in Leukemia Cells
2013 Kelly Snead, B.S., *Topic:* Epigenetic Therapy Sensitizing Ovarian and MDS to PARP Inhibitors
2014 Rimsha Galees Afzal, B.S., *Topic:* Role of Myc in Genomic Integrity in Stem Cells
2015 Tyler Rutherford, B.S., *Topic:* PARP Trapping in Primary Cells from AML Patients
2018 Reena Ghoswami, B.S., PARP trapping in PARP inhibitor and DNMT inhibitor treated AML and lung cancer.
2019 Nicole Illesca B.S., TBA.

Post-Graduates

2005-2006	Dan Grosu, M.D., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Myeloid Leukemia</i>
2005-2008	Annahita Sallmyr, Ph.D., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Chronic Myeloid Leukemia</i>
2007-2011	Jinshui Fan, Ph.D., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in FLT3/ITD Leukemias/Stem Cells</i>
2008-2014	Carine Robert, Ph.D., <i>Topic: Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2011-2018	Pratik Nagaria, Ph.D., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Breast Cancer and Pluripotent Stem Cells. Continues in an adjunct capacity to the present.</i>
2017-present	Rachel Abbotts, M.D./Ph.D., <i>Topic: PARP and DNMT Inhibitors in Lung and Ovarian Cancer</i>

Radiation Oncology Residents/Medical, Pre-Med and M.D./Ph.D. Students – Summer Program

2006	Matt Strickland, Medical Student, <i>Topic: Levels of Gamma H2AX in Leukemia Cells</i>
2008	Ali Reza Mirmiran, Resident, <i>Topic: DNA Damage Response in Cancer Cells</i>
2010	Vishal Duggal, Medical Student, <i>Topic: Low Dose HDI and Demethylating Agents in Leukemia</i>
2012	Daniel Eichberg, Medical Student, <i>Topic: Precision Targeting of DNA Repair in Cancer (note: On 3/6/15, student won the Elijah Adams Biochemistry Prize, \$300.00 for his Honors' paper)</i>
2013	Kelly Snead, <i>Topic: Epigenetic Therapy Sensitizing Ovarian and MDS to PARP Inhibitors</i>
2015	Katherine Coburn, M.D./Ph.D., <i>Topic: The Investigation of PARP Inhibitors in Combination with DNMT Inhibitors for Therapy in Resistant ER/PR/HER+ Breast Cancers</i>

Mentoring and Thesis Project Committee Member – M.S. Students

2008-2010	Dipika Gemani, B.S., <i>Topic: NRF2 in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2008-2011	Lisa Tobin, M.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2011-2012	Parth Sawhney, M.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2011-2013	Nidal Muvarak, M.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2015-2016	Adeoluwa Adewuyi, B.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2015-2016	Christopher Biondi, B.S., <i>Topic: Mechanisms Underlying Epigenetic Therapy in Lung Cancer</i>
2016-2017	Bryan Pelkey, B.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Breast Cancer</i>
2016-2017	Daniel Fontaine, B.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair and Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer</i>
2016-2018	Lora Stojanovic, B.S., <i>Topic: PARP and DNA Methyl Transferase Inhibitors in Ovarian Cancer</i>

Mentoring and Thesis Project Committee Member – Ph.D. Students

2011-2015	Khadiza Chowdhury, B.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Breast Cancer</i>
2014-2017	Nidal Muvarak, M.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Myeloid Leukemias</i>
2015-present	Lena McLaughlin, B.S., <i>Topic: DNA Repair in Triple Negative Breast Cancer</i>

2016-present	Aksinijah Shamah, B.S., <i>Topic: Microenvironmental Responses of AML Cells to PARP Inhibitors and DNA Demethylating Agents</i>
2017-present	Anna Delomo, B.S., <i>Topic: HDAC Inhibitors, TKIs and PARP Inhibitors in Leukemia</i>
2019	Lora Stojanovic <i>Topic: TBA</i>
2019	Julia Rutherford <i>Topic: TBA</i>

Thesis Project Committee Member (only) – Ph.D. Students

2005-2007	Sangeetha Vijakumar, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2005-2008	Melissa Hefferin, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2006-2009	Jocelyn Reader, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2007-2011	Umut Aypar, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2008-2011	Tiffany Scharadin, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Biochemistry
2008-2012	Stephen Bowen, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2010-2015	Patricia Buckley, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Biochemistry
2014-2015	Haley Simpson, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Medicine
2014-2017	Dhanraj Deshmukh, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Toxicology
2014-2017	Kshama Doshi, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Medicine
2014-2017	David McCarty, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Medicine
2014-present	Jin Xu, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Biochemistry
2015-2016	Justine Yu, Molecular Medicine/Genome Biology (changed mentorship)
2015-present	Rupa Guha, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Pharmacology
2018-present	Michael Creed, Graduate Program in Life Science/Pediatrics
2018-present	Jonelle Lee, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2019	Selina Teh, Graduate program in Cancer Biology –Johns Hopkins University

Thesis Qualifying Exam Committee Member (only) - PhD

2015-2016	William Fondrie, Molecular Medicine/Genome Biology
2015-2016	Nelson Chuang, Molecular Medicine/Medicine
2018	Jonelle Lee, Graduate Program in Life Sciences
2019	Diane Terry, Graduate Program in Molecular Medicine

Thesis Project Committee Member (only) – M.S. Student

2009-2010	Eric Diss, Graduate Program in Life Sciences/Biochemistry
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Grant Support

Active Grants – University of Maryland

10/1/15-9/30/19	(PI, 10%) NCE “DNA Demethylating Agent and PARP Inhibitor Therapy Targeting Aberrant DNA Repair in Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)”
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Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): P-TRP-5885-15
Annual Direct Costs: \$200,000
Total Direct Costs: \$600,000
Role: Investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and epigenetic drugs in AML.

7/1/18-6/30/20 (PI Rassool, 10%) **Renewed**
“DNA Demethylating Agent and PARP Inhibitor Therapy Targeting Aberrant DNA Repair in Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)”
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): P-TRP-5885-15 R
Annual Direct Costs: \$300,000
Total Direct Costs: \$600,000
Role: Test DAC/Talazoparib drug combination in phase 2 clinical trial in AML with correlative studies

10/01/19-9/30/21 (Co-inv., Rassool 10%; PI, S. Baylin, JHU) **Renewed**
“Bringing Epigenetic Therapy to the Management of Ovarian and Other Cancers”
Adelson Med. Res. Foundation: 2002469473
Annual Direct Costs: \$100,000
Total Direct Costs: \$300,000
Role: Investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and epigenetic drugs in ovarian cancer.

12/1/15-11/30/19 (Co-Inv., 10%; PI Baer)
“Multicenter phase 1/2 study of combination therapy with the DNA methyltransferase inhibitor decitabine and the poly ADP ribose polymerase (PARP) inhibitor talazoparib (BMN 673) for untreated acute myeloid leukemia (AML) in adult patients unfit for cytotoxic chemotherapy or relapsed/refractory AML
Van Andel-SU2C, Inc.
Clinical Trials: ~\$1.390M
Rassool lab **\$156,342.0**
Role: Provide correlative studies for Phase 1 clinical trial.

07/01/17-6/30/19 (PI Rassool, 10%)
“Mechanisms for sensitivity to HDAC inhibitors involving PARP trapping in leukemias”
NIH - 1R21 CA208937-01A1
Annual Direct Costs: \$150,000
Total Direct Costs: \$375,000
Role: Investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and HDACi in AML.

11/01/17-9/30/20 (PI Rassool, 10%)
“Use of DNA Demethylating Agents and PARP Inhibitors in Lung cancer”
Van Andel Research Institute-SU2C, Inc.
Annual Direct Costs: \$50,000

Total Direct Costs: \$150,000

Role: Investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and epigenetic drugs in lung cancer, including role in enhanced immune attraction.

12/01/2017 – 11/30/19 (PI Rassool (0%))

“ Additional Funds to continue to explore the role of Talazoparib and DNA methyl transferase inhibitors in enhancing anti-tumor immune responses in AML”

Van Andel Research Institute-SU2C, Inc.

Annual direct costs: \$50,000

Total direct costs: \$100,000

Role: Study the immune response with PARPi/DNMTi combination therapy

08/1/16-07/31/21 PI Kevin Cullen (Rassool 10%)

NIH/NCI P30 CA134274

Cancer Center Support Grant

The Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG) provides the resources and infrastructure to facilitate the coordination of interdisciplinary programs across a broad spectrum of research from basic laboratory research to clinical investigation to population science.

Role: Co-leader, Experimental Therapeutics Program

7/01/2019 – 6/31/24 MPI: Baylin, Rassool (10%), Easwaran

“DNA methyl transferase gene expression in colon cancer”

NIEHS (2R01ES011858)

Annual Direct Costs (Rassool): \$100,00

Total Direct Costs (Rassool): \$500,000

Role: Examine the role of DNMT and PARP in DNA damage and repair

10/1/19-11/30/22 (Co-Inv., 10%; PI Miller IU)

“A Phase II study of Guadecitabine and Talazoparib in patients with triple negative and hormone resistant metastatic breast cancer
Pfizer.

Clinical Trials: ~\$1. Million

Rassool lab: \$90,000

Role: Provide correlative studies for Phase 1 clinical trial.

Pending Grants – University of Maryland

10/1/19-9/30/21

Rassool, PI Rassool

Epigenetic Therapy sensitize to PARP inhibitors and ionizing radiation, increasing immune responses: Therapeutic strategies in NSCLC.

DOD Lung Cancer

Annual Direct Costs: \$200,000

Completed Grants – University of Chicago

- 01/96-01/97 (PI, 10%)
“*The FHIT gene and FRA3B in Breast Cancer*”
NCI Breast Cancer Pilot Grant
Total Direct Costs: \$35,000
- 01/97-01/98 (PI, 10%)
“*The FRA3B in Ductal Carcinoma of the Breast*”
Blowitz-Ridgeway Award, American Cancer Society (Illinois)
Total Direct Costs: \$35,000

Completed Grants – King’s College, London, UK

- 09/98-09/01 (PI, 100%)
“*Genomic Instability in Myelodysplastic Syndromes (I)*”
Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK (Private Foundation)
Total Direct Costs: \$699,090
- 09/98-09/01 (PI, 10%)
“*The Genetic Basis for Familial Acute Myeloid Leukaemia*”
Royal Society (Private Foundation)
Total Direct Costs: \$16,000
- 04/99-02/02 (PI, 10%)
“*Identification and Characterization of Genes in Familial Myelodysplastic Syndromes*”
Joint Research Council Ph.D. Studentship, King’s College, London
Total Direct Costs: \$63,960
- 09/01-09/04 (PI, 50%) **RENEWAL** (of above)
“*Genomic Instability in Myelodysplastic Syndromes (II)*”
Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK (Private Foundation)
Total Direct Costs: \$327,750
- 09/01-09/04 (PI, 50%)
“*Does Therapy-Related Malignancy Result from an Inability to Repair DNA Damage*”
Elimination of Leukaemia Fund, UK (Private Foundation)
Total Direct Costs: \$422,979
- 2002 (PI, 10%)

“Analysis of Altered Non-Homologous End-Joining in CLL Using Cell-Free Extracts”

Summer Grant, Burroughs Wellcome (Private Foundation)

Total Direct Costs: \$1,856

Completed Grants – University of MD

- 06/05-06/06 (PI, 10%)
“ROS and MDS”
Intramural Grant (pilot), University of Maryland, Baltimore
Total Direct Costs: \$30,000
- 06/06-06/07 (MPI, 10%) and Paul Shapiro
“The Role of STAT5 and Rac1 in ROS Production”
MSB Pilot Grant (pilot), University of Maryland, Baltimore
Total Direct Costs: \$30,000
Role: Deriving mechanisms for the role of STAT5 and Rac1 in ROS production.
- 03/01/07-02/28/09 (PI, 5%)
“The Role of ‘Back-up Repair’ in Genomic Instability in CML”
Research Grant, DOD, contract number: W81XWH-07-1-0140
Annual Direct Costs: \$100,000
Total Direct Costs: \$100,000 (1 yr. no cost extension)
- 08/01/07-07/31/10 (Co-Inv., 10%), PI, S. Gore (at Johns Hopkins)
“Mechanisms of Combined Epigenetic Therapy in Myeloid Malignancies”
NIH grant number: R01CA125635; Sub award number: 2000364532
Annual Direct Costs: \$70,092
Total Direct Costs: \$213,940
Role: Deriving pre-clinical data for mechanisms of combined epigenetic therapy in myeloid malignancies.
- 07/01/08-06/30/11 (MPI, 10%); MPI, S. Baylin
“Dissecting the Genetic and Epigenetic Origins Underlying Tumorigenic Potential of Human Embryonic and Adult Stem Cells”
TEDCO (Maryland) Grant Number: 08072925
Annual Direct Costs: \$500,000
Total Direct Costs: \$1,500,000
Role: DNA & repair studies in stem cells.
- 10/01/08-09/30/10 (PI, 20%) (extended to 2010)
“The Role of WRN/Ligase III/XRCC1 in Genomic Instability in CML”
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Translational Award, grant number: 6085-07
Annual Direct Costs: \$180,018
Total Direct Costs: \$540,054

- 11/01/09-10/31/12 (PI, 20%)
“DNA Repair Inhibitors in Leukemia”
V Foundation (Private Foundation)
Annual Direct Costs: \$181,818
Total Direct Costs: \$600,000
- 09/30/10-05/31/13 (Co-Inv. 10%; PI Roghmann)
Clinical Research Curriculum Award
NIH/NCRR
Grant Number: 5K30R022682-05
Annual Direct Costs: \$274,882
Total Direct Costs: \$858,616
Role: Created Translational Research Program & GPLS 791 course.
- 07/01/10-6/30/14 (PI 15%)
“Efficacy of remodeling the DNA damage response in induced pluripotent stem cells engineered by different methods”
Continuation of previous TEDCO
TEDCO (Maryland) Grant Number: N/A
Annual Direct Costs: \$200,000
Total Direct Costs: \$600,000
- 07/01/12-06/30/14 (Co-Inv., 10%; PI Scheibner)
“Regulation of DNA double strand break repair in human hematopoietic stem cells by microRNAs”
Exploratory Grant TEDCO (Maryland)
Annual Direct Costs: \$100,000
Total Direct Costs: \$200,000
Role: DNA damage repair in hematopoietic stem cells.
- 06/01/14-09/30/14 (Co-Inv., 10%; PI - S. Baylin (JHU))
“Bringing Epigenetic Therapy to the Management of Ovarian and Other Cancers”
Adelson Foundation (Pilot)
Annual Direct Costs: \$20,000
Total Direct Costs: \$20,000
Role: To investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and epigenetic drugs in ovarian cancer.
- 07/01/14-06/31/16 (PI 10%)
“Efficiently reprogrammed cells with a MYC signature display high fidelity repair of DNA damage”
TEDCO Maryland Stem Cell Fund
Annual Direct Costs: \$100,000
Total Direct Costs: \$200,000

- 07/01/15-06/30/17 (PI, 10%)
“Mechanisms for sensitivity to PARP inhibitors in cancer involving ALT NHEJ”
NIH - R21 5R21CA186974-02
Annual Direct Costs: \$150,000
Total Direct Costs: \$375,000
- 10/01/14-09/30/16 (Co-Inv., 10%; PI - S. Baylin (JHU))
“Bringing Epigenetic Therapy to the Management of Ovarian and Other Cancers”
Adelson Foundation (Pilot)
Annual Direct Costs: \$100,000
Total Direct Costs: \$200,000
Role: To investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and epigenetic drugs in ovarian cancer.
- 11/01/14-10/30/17 (Co-Inv., 10%); PI - S. Baylin (JHU)
“Use of DNA Demethylating Agents for Cancer Therapy”
Van Andel-SU2C, Inc.
Annual Direct Costs: \$100,000
Total Direct Costs: \$300,000
Role: To investigate the role of PARP inhibitors and epigenetic drugs in lung cancer.
- 07/01/14-06/30/18 (Co-Inv., 5%; PI - M. Baer)
“Inhibition of Pim Kinases in Acute Myeloid Leukemia”
VA Merit Review Award
Annual Direct Costs: \$200,000
Total Direct Costs: \$600,000
Role: To investigate role of Pim kinase inhibitors in DNA repair in leukemia.

Patents, Inventions and Copyrights

1. Co-Inventor on patent with Alan Tomkinson (STC Ref No. 2012-0250).
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- 91 Kogan A, McLaughlin L, Baer MR, Baylin SB, Topper M, **Rassool FV**. DNA methyltransferase inhibitors promote homologous recombination deficiency through induction of immune signaling, sensitizing acute myeloid leukemia cells to PARP inhibitors.

Other Brief Communications

1. **Rassool FV** and Gatti R. Chromosome Aberrations, eds. G Obe and AT Natarajan. Trends in Genet. 7:1, 1992.
2. **Rassool F**. Inherited susceptibility to cancer: clinical, predictive and ethical perspectives. BMJ 318(7197):1563, 1999. PMID: 10356041.

Major Invited Speeches

Local

1. **Rassool F.** Eugenics, Mellon Continuing Education Lecture, University of Chicago, IL, 1994.
2. **Rassool F.** Direct Cloning of the Common Fragile Site at 3p14.2: A Large Region, Chromosome 3 Workshop, University of Michigan, MI, 1994.
3. **Rassool F.** Altered Double Strand Break Repair in Myeloid Malignancies and Pre-Leukaemic Syndromes, Radiation Oncology, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2003.
4. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Repair in Leukaemogenesis: Scenarios for Chromosomal Instability, Medicine, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2004.
5. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Repair in Leukaemogenesis: Implications for the Action of Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors, Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, 2004.
6. **Rassool F.** Genomic Instability in Myeloid Malignancies, Radiation/Oncology Research Seminar, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2005.
7. **Rassool F.** Genomic Instability in Myeloid Malignancies, Johns Hopkins Seminar Series, Baltimore, MD, 2005.
8. **Rassool F.** Chromosomal Instability and Myeloid Malignancies: Underlying Mechanisms, Fragile Site Group, NIDDK, Bethesda, MD, 2006.
9. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Repair Infidelity: A Model for Genomic Instability in Myeloid Malignancies? Baltimore Area Repair Symposium (BARS), Baltimore, MD, 2006.
10. **Rassool F.** ROS, DNA Damage and Alternative NHEJ Repair: Pathways for Genomic Instability in Myeloid Malignancies, Translational Research Seminar Series, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2009.
11. **Rassool F.** Increased ROS in FLT3/ITD “knock-in” Mice, Free Radical Interest Group (FRIG), University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2009.
12. **Rassool F.** Characterization and Targeting of Abnormal Double Strand Break Repair in Leukemias and Breast Cancer, National Institute of Aging Baltimore, DNA Repair Network, Baltimore, MD, 2010.
13. **Rassool F.** Can Abnormal DNA Repair in Myeloid Malignancies Be A Therapeutic Target? Toxicology Seminar, Program in Toxicology, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2010.
14. **Rassool F.** FLT3/ITD Mutations Exhibit Elevated Repair Errors Generated Through Alternative DNA Double Strand Break Repair Pathways: Implications for Genomic Instability, Baltimore Area Research Symposium (BARS), Baltimore, MD, 2010.
15. **Rassool F.** Efficacy of Remodeling the DNA Damage Response in Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells Engineered by Different Methods, Free Radical Interest Group (FRIG), University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2011.
16. **Rassool F.** Efficacy of Remodeling the DNA Damage Response in Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells Engineered by Different Methods, Maryland Stem Cell Symposium, Towson University, Towson, MD, 2011.
17. **Rassool F.** Characterization and Targeting of Abnormal Double Strand Break Repair in Breast Cancer, Breast Cancer Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2012.
18. **Rassool F.** Targeting Abnormal DNA Repair in Therapy-Resistant Breast Cancers, Shepherd Pratt Hospital, Baltimore Area Research Symposium (BARS), Baltimore, MD, 2012.

19. **Rassool, F.** DNA Double Strand Break Repair Response in Induced Pluripotent Cells (iPSCs): Role of Cell of Origin, Plenary session I, Maryland Stem Cell Symposium, Annapolis, MD, 2012.
20. **Rassool F.** Targeting of Abnormal DNA Repair to Overcome Resistance to Therapy in Cancer and Leukemia, MRS Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2012.
21. **Rassool F.** Targeting of Abnormal DNA Repair to Overcome Resistance to Therapy in Cancer and Leukemia, Grand Rounds, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore MD, 2012.
22. **Rassool F.** Characterizing and Targeting for Therapy, Abnormal DNA Repair in Cancer, School of Medicine Council, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2013.
23. **Rassool F.** Role of C-MYC and c-MYC-Regulated MiRNAs Increasing ALT NHEJ Activity in Tyrosine Kinase-Activated Leukemias, Baltimore Area Research Symposium (BARS), Baltimore, MD, March, 2014.
24. **Rassool F.** Abnormal Double Strand Break Repair in Cancer and Leukemias: Regulation and Targets for Therapy, Molecular and Structural Biology (MSB) Retreat, University of Maryland Greenebaum Cancer Center, Baltimore, MD, June 2014.
25. **Rassool F.** Schnaper Lecture: Introduction to Translational Research, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, July, 2014.
26. **Rassool F.** Professors Rounds, Schnaper Summer Program, Rassool Lab Research, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, July, 2014.
27. **Rassool F.** Combining PARP Inhibitors with DNA Demethylating Agents – A Potent Anti-Leukemia, Strategy Toxicology Seminar, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, Nov 18, 2014.
28. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Roles of PARP in Anti-Cancer Therapeutic Strategies, Biochemistry Seminar, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, Nov. 24, 2014.
29. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Roles of PARP in Anti-Cancer Therapeutic Strategies, Molecular and Structural Biology (MSB) Meeting University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, Nov 24, 2014.
30. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Roles of PARP in Anti-Cancer Therapeutic Strategies, Translational Sciences Seminar Series, Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, February 2015.
31. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Roles of PARP in Anti-Cancer Therapeutic Strategies, Translational BARS, Baltimore, MD, February 2015.
32. **Rassool F.** Epigenetic therapy and PARP inhibitors: preclinical studies in lung cancer. Pre-Clinical Translational Research Retreat, JHU 2016.
33. **Rassool F.** Festival of Science“Cancer Research: Translational Discoveries to Next Generation Treatments”, November, 2016.
34. **Rassool F.** LLS Maryland Chapter breakfast, May, 2017
35. **Rassool F.** Reprogramming the DNA Repair Response: Creating Opportunities for Therapy in Non Small cell Lung Cancer BARS, Baltimore, March, 2018.
36. **Rassool F.** The role of PARP inhibitors and DNA methyl transferase inhibitors in enhancing anti-tumor immune responses in multiple tumor types. DTRS, December 10, 2018.

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37. **Rassool F.** Combination of DNA methyltransferase and PARP inhibitors as a novel therapy strategy in non-small cell lung cancer? Thoracic Oncology Research Retreat, JHU June 25.
38. **Rassool F.** Combining PARP inhibitors with DNA methyltransferase inhibitors: underlying

- mechanisms ET Retreat, University of Maryland, September, 2017.
39. **Rassool F.** Cloning of the FRA3B Region at Chromosome 3p14.2, American Association of Human Genetics, San Diego, CA, 1995.
 40. **Rassool F.** A series of three lectures: Ethics and Human Genetics Medical Science and Ethics Lectures, Annual Lecture Series, St. Xavier's University, Chicago, IL, 1996.
 41. **Rassool F.** The Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ) DNA Repair Pathway is Aberrant in Myeloid Leukaemia: Evidence That Ku86 is Required for Increased Frequency and Size of Deletions (oral presentation), AACR, New Orleans, LA, 2001.
 42. **Rassool F.** Increased Activity and Infidelity of Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ) in Bloom's Syndrome and Myeloid Leukaemias: Evidence That Ku86 is Required for Increased Frequency and Size of Deletion (oral presentation), American Society of Haematology (ASH), Orlando, FL, 2001.
 43. **Rassool F.** Increased Constitutive Replication-Associated DNA Damage in Bloom's Syndrome (BS) is Associated with Increased Infidelity of Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ): Implication for Chromosomal Instability in BS? (oral presentation), AACR, San Francisco, CA, 2002.
 44. **Rassool F.** Increased Constitutive Replication-Associated DNA Damage in Bloom's Syndrome (BS) is Associated with Increased Infidelity of Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ): Implication for Chromosomal Instability in BS? Oral Presentation Keystone Symposium: DNA Helicases and Cancer, Lake Tahoe, NV, 2002.
 45. **Rassool F.** Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors Mimic the Double Strand Break Repair Response to Irradiation in vitro, AACR, Orlando, FL, 2004.
 46. **Rassool F.** The Werner's Syndrome Protein Plays a Complex Role in NHEJ-Related Genomic Instability, AACR, Orlando, FL, 2004.
 47. **Rassool F.** Increased DNA Damage and Error-Prone Repair in Myeloproliferative/Myelodysplastic Mice with Disease Progression: Key Indicators for Increased Genomic Instability, ASH, San Diego, CA, 2004.
 48. **Rassool F.** HDAC Inhibitors as DNA Damaging Agents, Workshop on Clinical Translation of Epigenetics in Cancer Therapeutics, Charleston, SC, 2005.
 49. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Repair Infidelity: Mechanisms for Genomic Instability in Myeloid Malignancies, Lovelace Biomedical and Environmental Research Institute, Albuquerque, NM, 2006.
 50. **Rassool F.** FLT3 Mutations and Genomic Instability, ASH, San Francisco, CA, 2007.
 51. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage as a Target of HDAC Inhibition, Epigenetics Workshop, Phoenix, AZ, 2007.
 52. **Rassool F.** ROS, DNA Damage and Error-Prone Repair: Model for Genomic Instability in MDS, MDS Symposium, AACR, San Diego, CA, 2008.
 53. **Rassool F.** The Role of a New and Up-Regulated DNA Repair Protein Complex Containing DNA Ligase III and WRN, in Genomic Instability in CML, Leukemia Lymphoma Society Translational Research Program Progress Review Meeting, New York, 2008.
 54. **Rassool F.** Error-Prone Repair of DSB by "Back-Up" Non-Homologous End-Joining: a Model for Creating Genomic Instability in CML? MDS Symposium, M.D. Anderson, Houston, TX, 2008.
 55. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Repair, Key Molecular Pathways in Myeloid Malignancies, Grand Rounds, M.D. Anderson, Houston, TX, 2008.
 56. **Rassool F.** Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors (HDi) Decrease Repair Using Alternative Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ) in Acute Leukemia Cells, Epigenetics in Cancer Therapy, Coral Gables, FL, 2009.

57. **Rassool F.** NRF2 in Imatinib Resistance, Chronic Myeloid Leukemia - Biological Basis of Therapy, Washington, DC, 2010.
58. **Rassool F.** Epigenetic Drugs as Modifiers of NHEJ Repair, 41st EMS Symposium, Fort Worth, TX, 2010.
59. **Rassool F.** Targeting of Abnormal DNA Repair to Overcome Resistance to Therapy in Cancer and Leukemia, MRS Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2012.
60. **Rassool F.** Targeting of Abnormal DNA Repair to Overcome Resistance to Therapy in Cancer and Leukemia, Grand Rounds, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2012.
61. **Rassool F.** Characterization, Targeting and Regulation of DSB Repair in Embryonic Stem Cells, Cancers and Leukemias, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, 2012.
62. **Rassool F.** DNA Repair and Cell Signaling, Radiation Oncology, National Review Course, University of Maryland Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, 2012.
63. **Rassool F. Plenary session talk:** Double Strand Break Repair: Role of Cell of Origin, Maryland Stem Cell Fund, Annapolis, MD, 2012.
64. **Rassool F.** Clinical Translation of Epigenetics in Cancer Therapy: Targeting Abnormal DNA Repair and Epigenetic Inhibitors in Myeloid Malignancies: Strategies for Therapy, Asheville, NC, 2013.
65. **Rassool F.** DNA Repair and Cell Signaling, Radiation Oncology National Review Course, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD, 2013.
66. **Rassool F.** C-MYC and c-MYC-Regulated MiRNAs Amplify Transcription of LIG3 and PARP1, Increasing ALT NHEJ in Tyrosine Kinase-Activated Leukemias, ASH, New Orleans, LA, 2013.
67. **Rassool F.** Demethylating Agents Reprogram FLT3/ITD-Positive Leukemias, Sensitizing Them to Poly-(ADP)-Ribose Polymerase Inhibitors POST, ASH, New Orleans, New Orleans, LA, 2013.
68. **Rassool F** and Baylin S. Ziskin Award Presentation, Stand Up to Cancer, Los Angeles, CA, January, 2014.
69. **Rassool F.** Abnormal Double Strand Break Repair in Cancer and Leukemias: Regulation and Targets for Therapy, Van Andel Research Institute, Grand Rapids, MI, 2014.
70. **Rassool F.** Abnormal Double Strand Break Repair in Cancer and Leukemias: Regulation and Targets for Therapy Presentation to Biomarin Pharmaceutical Company, AACR, San Diego, CA, 2014.
71. **Rassool F.** Abnormal Double Strand Break Repair in Cancer and Leukemias: Regulation and Targets for Therapy, Fells Institute, Philadelphia, PA, 2014.
72. **Rassool F.** Combining PARP Inhibitors with DNA Demethylating Agents – A Potent Anti-Leukemia Strategy and Rationale for a Clinical Trial, Van Andel Research Institute, Stand-up To Cancer, Grand Rapids, MI, October, 2014.
73. **Rassool F.** Combining PARP Inhibitors with DNA Demethylating Agents – A Potent Anti-Leukemia Strategy, Myeloid Leukemia Workshop, ASH, San Francisco, CA, 2014.
74. **Rassool F.** Chairperson, Minisymposium, Cancer Epigenetics, AACR Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, April 18-22, 2015.
75. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Functions of PARP in Cancer Therapy, Emory University School of Medicine, Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University, Atlanta, GA, May 28, 2015.
76. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Functions of PARP in Cancer Therapy, Beckman Research Institute (BMI) of City of Hope Seminar Series, Duarte, CA, June 3, 2015.
77. **Rassool F.** (4 talks) **1)** Acute Myeloid Leukemia Project (SGI-110 + Talazoparib PARPi), **2)** PARP Concept (SGI-110 + PARPi), **3)** Acute Myeloid Leukemia Project (SGI-110 + Talazoparib),

- 4) PARP Concept, Annual Meeting and SU2C-AACR Progress Review Team Visit, Van Andel Research Institute, Grand Rapids, Michigan, August 26-28, 2015.
78. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Functions of PARP in Cancer Therapy, University of Indiana, Bloomington, IN, Nov 9, 2015.
79. **Rassool F.** Chalk Talk SU2C. VARI Scientific Retreat, Crystal Mountain, Michigan June 2016.
80. **Rassool F.** Combination of DNA methyltransferase and PARP inhibitors as a novel therapy strategy for multiple cancers: key results in AML and triple negative breast cancer. Targeting Epigenetics and Genome Regulation to Improve Urologic Health AUA Headquarters | Linthicum, MD. July 16-17, 2016.
81. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the Functions of PARP in Cancer Therapy, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, August, 2016.
82. **Rassool F.** Invited speaker Leukemia Lymphoma Society, New York City, October 2017
83. **Rassool F.** Invited speaker American Society of Hematology DNA damage response, Atlanta December 2017
84. **Rassool F.** AML Project update and new proposals, SU2C Annual meeting, August 15-17, 2017.
85. **Rassool F.** Invited speaker, Science Symposium: “Leveraging Epigenetics to Enhance Cancer Therapeutics” University of Southern California, CA, August 15, 2017.
86. **Rassool F.** Invited speaker. “Translating Combination DNA Methyl Transferase and PARP inhibitor Therapies: Emerging Mechanisms”. Forbeck Meeting, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, October 5-6, 2018.

International

87. **Rassool F.** The FRA3B and FHIT in Cancer, Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine, Oxford, UK, 1998.
88. **Rassool F.** Philadelphia Negative, BCR-ABL-Positive CML, Leukaemia Research Fund Young Scientist of the Year, one-day symposium, London, UK, 1998.
89. **Rassool F.** Deletions within the FRA3B and Cancer, Department of Haematology, Bournemouth Hospital, Dorset, UK, 1998.
90. **Rassool F.** Human Fragile Sites and Cancer, 18th International Congress of Genetics Beijing, China, 1998.
91. **Rassool F.** The Basis for Genomic Instability in Myelodysplastic Syndromes, Genomic Instability at Fragile Sites, Nottingham, UK, 1998.
92. **Rassool F.** Familial Myelodysplastic Syndrome Is Not Associated With Microsatellite Instability: Study of a Family Users and Markers, International MDS Meeting, Prague, Poland, 1999.
93. **Rassool F.** The Uses of FISH Techniques in Studying Cancer, Workshop for Head and Neck Cancer, Guy’s King’s Thomas’s School of Medicine, London, UK, 2001.
94. **Rassool F.** Increased Infidelity of Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ) in Bloom's Syndrome and Myeloid Leukaemias: Evidence that Ku70 and/or 86 Are Required for Increased Frequency and Size of Deletions, British Society of Haematology, Brighton, UK, 2002.
95. **Rassool F.** Altered Double Strand Break Repair in Myeloid Malignancies and Preleukaemic Syndromes. Imperial College of Science and Technology Hammersmith Hospital, London, UK, 2002.
96. **Rassool F.** Double Strand Breaks and NHEJ Pathways in Leukaemia, Guy’s Hospital, London, UK, 2002.

97. **Rassool F.** Non-Homologous End-Joining and Genomic Instability in Cancer, Edinburgh University, Edinburgh, UK, 2003.
98. **Rassool F.** Altered Double Strand Break Repair in Myeloid Malignancies and Pre-Leukemic Syndromes, Inaugural Meeting of MDS Forum, London, UK 2003.
99. **Rassool F.** The Role of Double Strand Break Repair in Myeloid Malignancies, The Royal Free Hospital, London, UK, 2003.
100. **Rassool F.** Mechanisms for Genomic Instability in MDS and AML, 7th International MDS Symposium, Paris, France, 2003.
101. **Rassool F.** and Pradhan, A. (PhD student) Differentially Expressed Genes in Familial MDS, 7th International MDS Symposium, (prize for best abstract), Paris, France, 2003.
102. **Rassool F.** Increased Error-Prone NHEJ in Myeloid Leukaemias, Salisbury Regional Genetics Laboratories, Salisbury, UK, 2003.
103. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Error-Prone Repair in MDS Mice, European Haematology Association, Stockholm, Germany, 2005.
104. **Rassool F.** DNA Damage and Repair Infidelity: A Model for Genomic instability in myeloid malignancies? CML Workshop, Genoa, Italy, 2005.
105. **Rassool F.** Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors (HDI) Cause DNA Damage in Leukemia Cells: A Mechanism for Leukemia-Specific HDI Dependent Apoptosis? The Seventh International Congress of Differentiation, Therapy Versailles, France, 2006.
106. **Rassool F.** How Does DNA Damage and Unfaithful DNA Repair Contribute to Genomic Instability and Disease Progression? CML Workshop, Bermuda, 2006.
107. **Rassool F.** Error-Prone Repair of DSBS: A Model in Genomic Instability in Cancer, Recent Progress in Cancer Biology and Therapeutics Symposium, Argentina, 2007.
108. **Rassool F.** Error-Prone Repair of Double Strand Breaks by “back-up” Non-Homologous End-Joining (NHEJ): A Model for Creating Genomic Instability in CML? ESH/EHA Mandelieu, France, 2007.
109. **Rassool F.** ROS, DNA Damage and Error-Prone Repair in FLT3/ITD Leukemias, Inserm Seminar, Paris, France, 2007.
110. **Rassool F.** Error-Prone Repair of DSB by “Back-Up” Non-Homologous End-Joining: A Model for Creating Genomic Instability in CML? Myeloproliferative Disease Workshop, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2007.
111. **Rassool F.** ROS, DNA Damage and Error-Prone Repair, Cancer Biology Seminar, Munich, Germany, 2008.
112. **Rassool F.** Inhibiting Double Strand Break Repair and Alternative Non-Homologous End-Joining: Potential Therapeutic Targets in chronic Myeloid Leukemia with Resistance to Imatinib, Cancer Therapeutics Meeting, Bangkok, Thailand, 2008.
113. **Rassool F.** ROS, DNA Damage and Repair in Leukemic Stem Cells, Stem Cell Workshop, ESH/EHA, Mandelieu, France, 2009.
114. **Rassool F.** Alternative Non-Homologous End-Joining is a Novel Therapeutic Target in a Subset of Imatinib Resistant Chronic Myeloid Leukemias, Eleventh International Chronic Myeloid Leukemia – Biological Basis of Therapy, Bordeaux, France, 2009.
115. **Rassool F.** Therapeutic Targeting of Abnormal Repair of Double Strand Breaks in Leukemias, Frankfurt Symposium, Molecular Pathogenesis of Leukemia: Insights and Challenges, Frankfurt, Germany, 2010.
116. **Rassool F.** FLT3/ITD Mutations Exhibit Elevated Repair Errors Generated Through Alternative DNA Double Strand Break Repair Pathways, Impairing B Lymphocyte Development in FLT3/ITD

- “knock-in” Mice: Implications for Genomic Instability, EHA/ESH Workshop, Barcelona, Spain, 2010.
117. **Rassool F.** FLT3/ITD Mutations Regulate DNA Double Strand Break Repair: Implications for Genomic Instability, EHA/ESH: Acute Myeloid Leukemia “Molecular”, Mandelieu, France, 2011.
 118. **Rassool F.** Targeting of Abnormal DNA Repair to Overcome Resistance to Therapy in Cancer and Leukemia, Jean Bernard Seminar on Leukemia and Tumor Biology, Hospital Saint-Louis Paris France, 2012.
 119. **Rassool F.** DNA Ligase and PARP Inhibitors: Therapeutic Targets in Imatinib Resistant CML. 14th International Conference on Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: Biology and Therapy, Baltimore, MD, 2012.
 120. **Rassool F. Keynote Speaker:** Genomic Instability. Genomic Instability Pathways in Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: Drivers of Disease Progression and Resistance, but Also Targets for Therapy? 15th International Conference on Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: Biology and Therapy. Estoril, Portugal, September 2013.
 121. **Rassool F.** Combination DNA Methyltransferase and PARP Inhibitors as a Novel Therapy Strategy for Poor Prognosis Acute Myelogenous Leukemia, Gordon Research Conference: Cancer Genetics & Epigenetics, Lucca, Italy, April 12-17, 2015.
 122. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the functions of PARP for cancer therapy. Hospital Saint Louis, Paris, May, 2016.
 123. **Rassool F.** Exploiting the functions of PARP for cancer therapy, Tumorigenesis through Dysregulation, IAAO2016 Symposium, Tokyo, Japan, July 22 & 23, 2016.
 124. **Rassool F.** Combination of DNA methyltransferase and PARP inhibitors as a novel therapy strategy for multiple cancers: Key data in AML and triple negative breast cancer. AACR New Frontiers in Cancer Research, Cape Town South Africa, January 18-22, 2017.
 125. **Rassool F.** Abnormal DNA repair, genomic instability and opportunities for therapy in leukemia and cancer. University of Cape Town, January 25, 2017.
 126. **Rassool F.** Abnormal DNA repair, genomic instability and opportunities for therapy in leukemia and cancer. University of Auckland, New Zealand, October 25, 2017.
 127. **Rassool F.** Combining PARP inhibitors with DNA Methyl Transferase Inhibitors: underlying mechanisms. Garvan Research Institute, Sydney Australia, October 27, 2017.
 128. **Rassool F.** Reprogramming the DNA Repair Response: Creating Opportunities for Therapy in Non Small cell Lung Cancer Naples, July 2018.
 129. **Rassool F.** Abnormal DNA repair, genomic instability and opportunities for therapy in leukemia and cancer. Frontiers in Cancer Science, Singapore November 2018.
 130. **Rassool F.** Abnormal DNA repair, genomic instability and opportunities for therapy in leukemia and cancer. Taipei, Taiwan, November 2018.
 131. **Rassool F.** Marrying Drug-induction of viral mimicry, the inflammasome and DNA repair defects in cancer. Gordon Conference Cancer Genetics and Epigenetics April, 2019, Renaissance Tuscany II Ciocco in Lucca (Barga) Italy.
 132. **Rassool F.** Role for targeting DNA repair in AML. Educational session, EHA, Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 13-16, 2019.