

UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center NEWSLETTER



New Intramural Funding Guidelines Announced

Jonsson Cancer Center Foundation at UCLA (JCCF) is the fundraising arm for the JCCC. Donations to JCCF fund leading-edge research that helps improve the prevention, detection and treatment of cancer and the quality of life of cancer patients everywhere. JCCC Senior Leaders have streamlined intramural funding opportunities into two programs: [Seed Grants](#) and [Impact Grants](#). Follow the links for complete grant guidelines, submission dates and to download an application.

Shared Resources at UCLA

- As a member you have access to 10 shared resources at JCCC, and over 70 additional shared resources at UCLA. Visit the [Shared Resources](#) page to learn more.

Meet Your Fellow Members

- JCCC is a scientific community over 400 members strong. In our ongoing [Researcher Profiles](#) archive, read detailed biographies of many of your fellow members.

Funding Opportunities

- Members can now [access online](#) a complete list of the latest intramural and extramural grant opportunities directly from the JCCC website.

Latest Grant Awards

- All new funding awards are now being archived monthly on the JCCC website. [Click here](#) for a complete listing of the latest recipients and their awards.

Social Networking Tools

- JCCC is now on Twitter, Facebook and YouTube! Learn how to follow us and stay connected!



Latest News

Scientists Uncover Mechanism of Melanoma Drug Resistance



Solving the problem of how cancer circumvents targeted drugs is among the greatest challenges facing modern day cancer scientists. JCCC researchers, in a new study led by senior author Roger Lo, have uncovered how an advanced form of melanoma gets around an inhibitor, Zelboraf, which targets the mutated BRAF gene. These findings may lead to alternative ways of preventing or treating resistant melanomas.

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Drink and Dine to Fight Cancer at Taste for a Cure 2012



Enjoy the bold flavors of 15 family-owned Napa Valley wineries, delectable dishes from distinguished California chefs, and performances from *Glee*'s Lea Michele and Darren Criss at the JCCC's signature fundraising event. Scheduled for Friday, April 20 at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Taste for a Cure will raise funds to support the JCCC's highest priority research. Tickets available [online](#). For full event details visit www.tasteforacure.com.

Get Connected: JCCC Events Calendar New



JCCC's online [events calendar](#) has been newly organized to better inform you of all upcoming center events and happenings. Event listings can now be easily filtered by three categories: member research lectures and seminars, public lectures for patients and caregivers, and fundraising events. You can also [follow this link](#) to update your email notification preferences, to only receive alerts for the categories of your choice.

Newly Approved Drug for Metastatic Melanoma Nearly Doubles Median Survival

In a new study led by JCCC scientist Antoni Ribas, UCLA researchers, together with scientists from 12 other sites in the United States and Australia, found that a newly approved drug for patients with metastatic melanoma nearly doubles median survival



times, a finding that will lead to new treatments for the deadly disease.

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