

Alpha Stem Cell Clinic Network Virtual Symposium

Thursday October 8, 2020

View Recording: [CIRM Fellows Trainees](#)

9:00am Welcome [Mehrdad Abedi, MD](#), UC Davis Health, ASCC Program Director

[Catriona Jamieson, MD](#), View Recording: [ASCC Network](#) Value Proposition

9:10am Session I: Cures for Rare Diseases Innovation in Action

Moderator: [Mark Walters, MD](#), UCSF, ASCC Program Director

[Don Kohn, MD](#), UCLA – View Recording: [Severe combined immunodeficiency \(SCID\)](#)

[Mark Walters, MD](#), UCSF, ASCC Program Director – View Recording: [Thalassemia](#)

[Pawash Priyank](#), View Recording: [Patient Experience - SCID](#)

[Olivia and Stacy Stahl](#), View Recording: [Patient Experience - Thalassemia](#)

10 minute panel discussion/Q&A

BREAK

9:55am Session II: Addressing Unmet Medical Needs: Driving Towards a Cure

Moderator: [John Zaia, MD](#), City of Hope, ASCC Program Direction

[Mehrdad Abedi, MD](#), UC Davis Health, ASCC Program Director – View Recording: [HIV](#)

[Manasi Jaiman, MD, MPH](#), ViaCyte, Vice President, Clinical Development – View Recording: [Diabetes](#)

[Jeff Taylor](#), Patient Experience – HIV

10 minute panel discussion/Q&A

BREAK

10:40am Session III: Cancer Clinical Trials: Networking for Impact

Moderator: [Catriona Jamieson, MD](#), UC San Diego, ASCC Program Director

[Daniela Bota, MD, PhD](#), UC Irvine, ASCC Program Director – View Recording: [Glioblastoma](#)

[Michael Choi, MD](#), UC San Diego – View Recording: [Cirmtuzimab](#)

[Matthew Spear, MD](#), Poseida Therapeutics, Chief Medical Officer – View Recording: [Multiple Myeloma](#)

John Lapham, Patient Experience – View Recording: [Chronic lymphocytic leukemia \(CLL\)](#)

10 minute panel discussion/Q&A

BREAK

11:30am Session IV: Responding to COVID-19 and Engaging Communities

Two live “roundtable conversation” sessions, 1 hour each.

Roundtable 1: Moderator [Maria Millan, MD, CIRM](#)

CIRM's / ASCC Network's response to COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma, Cell Therapy and Novel Vaccine Approaches

- [Video Brigitte Gomperts](#)
- [Video Gay Crooks](#)
- [Video Helen Blau](#)

Panelists

[Michael Matthay, MD](#), UC San Francisco: ARDS Program

[Rachael Callcut, MD](#), MSPH, FACS, UC Davis: ARDS Program

[John Zaia, MD](#), City of Hope: Convalescent Plasma Program

[Daniela Bota, MD, PhD](#), UC Irvine: Natural Killer Cells as a Treatment Strategy

Key questions for panelists:

- Describe your trial or clinical program?
- What steps did you take to provide access to disproportionately impacted communities?
- How is it part of the overall scientific response to COVID-19?
- How has the ASCC Network infrastructure accelerated this response?

Brief Break

Roundtable 2: Moderator [Ysabel Duron](#), The Latino Cancer Institute and Latinas Contra Cancer

View Recording: [Roundtable 2](#)

Community Engagement and Lessons Learned from the COVID Programs.

Panelists

[Marsha Treadwell, PhD](#), UC San Francisco: Community Engagement

[Sheila Young, MD](#), Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science: Convalescent Plasma Program in the community

[David Lo, MD, PhD](#), UC Riverside: Bringing a public health perspective to clinical interventions

Key questions for panelists:

- What were important lessons learned from the COVID programs?
- How can CIRM and the ASCC Network achieve equipoise among communities and engender **trust** in clinical research?
- How can CIRM and the ASCC Network address **structural barriers** (e.g. job constrains, geographic access) that limit opportunities to participate in clinical trials?

