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LIVER DIGEST

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[here](#) for up-to-date news, and upcoming seminar and event information. Contact Aaron Bell (bellaaro@pitt.edu) if you have specific questions or suggestions.

**** NOTE: the PLRC Newsletter will now be published every 2 weeks.****

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REVIEW

ADVANCES IN CANCER RESEARCH



DR. SUNGJIN KO, DVM, PHD

YAP1 activation and Hippo pathway signaling in the pathogenesis and treatment of intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma

Ko S, Kim M, Molina L, Sirica AE, Monga SP.
Adv Cancer Res. 2022;156:283-317.
doi: 10.1016/bs.acr.2022.02.003.
Epub 2022 Mar 9. PMID: 35961703.



DR. PAUL MONGA, MD

"SAVE THE DATE"

PLRC Annual Retreat

"October 18th, 2022"

University Club Ballroom A



"SAVE THE DATE":

PLRC Reception at the annual AASLD

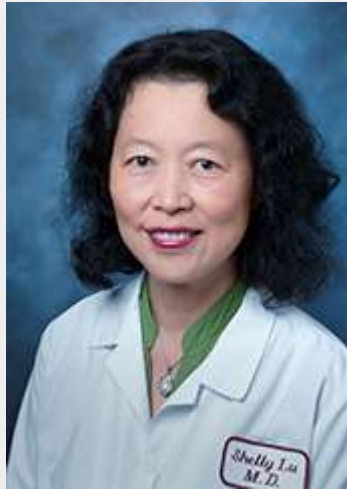
Meeting Washington DC

Saturday Nov. 5th 7:00-10:00PM,

more info to come...

PLRC Seminar August 23rd, 2022: 12:00-1:00PM (Virtual)
Please email Amanda Bytzura at amb430@pitt.edu if you would
like to receive the Zoom link.

Title: “Methionine Adenosyltransferase 1A in Liver injury and Cancer”



Shelly Lu, MD

Professor of Medicine

Director, Karsh Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology

Vice Chair, Department of Medicine for Basic Science and

Translational Research

Cedars-Sinai, Los Angeles, California.

PLRC Seminar August 30th, 2022: 12:00-1:00PM (S120 BST & Virtual)

Title: “Restoring HGF-MET function in the liver to treat NASH”



Reza Zarnegar, PhD

Professor of Pathology
University of Pittsburgh

PLRC Pilot & Feasibility grants.
Request for Applications **OPEN NOW!**

Letters of intent due September 2nd, 2022 and
those approved must submit their completed
applications by October 7th, 2022.

[For Eligibility info and application click here.](#)



Registration is now open for "THE LIVER MEETING! " held in Washington D.C. [For more info and to register click HERE.](#)

Call for Papers: Tissue Fibrosis and Repair special collection by Scientific Reports

Submissions are now being accepted for a special collection sponsored by Scientific Reports on the subject of Tissue Fibrosis and Repair. The scope of the collection is as follows:

"Fibrosis is a process of excess extracellular matrix deposition in response to injury that occurs where normal wound-healing processes have become dysregulated. This pathological deposition of tissue is due to an aberrant release of growth factors and cytokines and may lead to organ remodeling and dysfunction, contributing to chronic disease and organ failure. Though fibrosis occurs in tissues throughout the body, it is most commonly associated with severe disease when it occurs in the lungs, heart, liver and kidneys and is often not identified until organ function has been compromised.

This Collection aims to present manuscripts that increase our understanding of the mechanisms of tissue repair and causes of dysregulation or that present potential treatments

that may slow disease progression."

If you are interested in submitting a peer-reviewed manuscript for inclusion in this collection, when submitting your manuscript to Scientific Reports select "any other article type" instead of regular manuscript. Then select "guest edited collection" and when promoted for the name of the collection, select Tissue Fibrosis and Repair.

[More detailed information about the collection can be found here](#)

Submissions will be open until October 31, 2022.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Bridge Award

National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF)

Targeting senescence in chronic liver disease

opnMe (Boehringer-Ingelheim-collaboration)

new AGA-Amgen Fellowship-to-Faculty Transition Award

AGA Research Foundation, American Gastroenterological Association (AGA)

new Research Grants in Burkitt lymphoma, Ewing sarcoma, rhabdoid tumors (liver), childhood glioblastoma multiforme (GBM), and atypical teratoid rhabdoid tumor (ATRT) St. Baldrick's Foundation (SBF)

To see all NIH Grants sorted by week, please visit: **[NIH Guide: 2022](#)**

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- **[Aug 12](#)**
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