



## 2011 Sarcoma Foundation of America Research Grants

The Sarcoma Foundation of America is pleased to announce the recipients of our 2011 research grants. The SFA is proud to have awarded \$50,000 to each of these deserving research projects.

### *Alexander Burdo/ZIOPHARM Research Award*

Poul H.B. Sorensen, MD, PhD

Senior Scientist

British Columbia Cancer Research Center

“Interrogating the effects of IGF1R blockade on childhood sarcoma fusion oncoprotein stability”

### *Ashleigh Lau/Morgan Stanley Research Award*

Kevin B. Jones, MD

Instructor of Orthopaedics

University of Utah - Huntsman Cancer Institute

“Beta-catenin activation in synovial sarcomagenesis and progression”

### *Mandell/Kropp Run for a Sarcoma Cure Research Award*

Quan-sheng Zhu, MD, PhD

Instructor, Department of Surgical Oncology

The University of Texas - M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

“Histone deacetylase inhibitor reprograms hSNF5/INI1 regulated gene expression for the treatment of epithelioid sarcoma”

### *Mark Herzlich Research Award*

Edward Greenfield, PhD

Harry E. Friggie III MD Professor of Orthopaedics and Director of Orthopaedic Research

Case Western Reserve University

“A small molecule inhibitor of AXL is a novel therapeutic strategy in osteosarcoma”

### *Sarcoma Foundation of America Research Award*

Martin G. Belinsky, PhD

Staff Scientist

Fox Chase Cancer Center

“Comprehensive mutational analysis of gastrointestinal stromal tumors lacking activating mutations in the KIT, PDGFRA, and BRAF genes”

*Sarcoma Foundation of America Research Award*

Nita Ahuja, MD

Associate Professor of Surgery and Oncology

Johns Hopkins University

“Epigenetic changes and epigenetic therapy in retroperitoneal liposarcomas”

*Sarcoma Foundation of America Research Award*

Marilyn D. Resh, PhD

Member and Professor

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

“Hedgehog palmitoylation inhibitors to block sarcoma growth”