

SFA Spotlight - May 2018

Welcome to our newsletter! Please be on the lookout for this newsletter every month as a way to keep you more involved and engaged with information important to the SFA community.

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Sarcoma Foundation of America Awards Half a Million Dollars in Research Grant Funds



The Sarcoma Foundation of America is proud to announce that we have awarded half a million dollars in research funds to deserving scientists as part of our 2018 SFA Research Grant program. Ten research grants, each worth \$50,000, have been awarded to researchers who have made it their mission to study sarcoma. All proposals are peer reviewed by members of the SFA Medical Advisory Board who award the grants to the best, most promising research toward the cure for sarcoma.

"The Sarcoma Foundation of America is excited to announce the 10 exceptional recipients of our 2018 research grant awards. These projects are representative of the innovative research taking place in sarcoma today and we are honored to have the opportunity to support this work," said Richard Rumsey, CEO, Sarcoma Foundation of America. "Our investment in research - and in the scientists who perform this research - is at the foundation of what the SFA does to make a difference in the lives of patients. We are proud that the SFA continues to be a leader in funding research focused on discovering and developing new and effective therapies to treat and eradicate sarcoma."

To see a full list of the 2018 SFA research grant recipients and their projects, visit www.curesarcoma.org/2018-sfa-research-grants/.

Stand Up to Sarcoma

The Sarcoma Foundation of America's 16th Annual New York City Fundraising Event, "Stand Up to Sarcoma," was held on Thursday, May 3. It was an amazing and inspiring evening, hosted by Master of Ceremonies and former NY Giant, George Martin, and interspersed with wonderful performances by We 3 Jazz Trio

and The After Party Band.

Congratulations to all of the evening's honorees!

Nobility in Science Award James C. Wittig, MD

Compassionate Care Award

Paulette M. Kelly, MSN, APRN-BC FNP, CPN, CPON

Courage Award Award

Matt Geisser, Hayden William Marshall, Caroline Pizzorusso, Jake Rudd and Dylan Rose Vitucci



Vision of Hope Award

The Eileen Fund

Thank you to everyone who partnered with the Sarcoma Foundation of America to make this event possible! We are tremendously grateful to our donors and are happy to report that more than half a million dollars was raised to support our shared mission of funding sarcoma research, advocating for patients, and increasing disease awareness.

Though we have made progress, there is still an urgent need for further sarcoma research, education and awareness. For those that would still like to donate, please visit www.curesarcoma.org/nyccelebration and make your gift today. More progress in the fight against sarcoma cannot be accomplished without the help of generous supporters like you!

Inaugural Zach Cohen Charity Golf Tournament Raises Funds for Sarcoma Research



We are blown away by the overwhelming success of the Inaugural Zach Cohen Charity Golf Tournament. Several hundred golfers and supporters turned out to celebrate the memory of Zach Cohen while raising money for sarcoma research. LA Rams quarterback Jared Goff, TV host Chris Harrison, and sportscaster Chris Myers were among those in attendance. Numbers are still coming in, but it appears that the event far exceeded its initial \$100,000 fundraising goal!

Thank you to the organizers of the tournament and to all who helped make it such a special event!

Sarcoma Community Shows their Support for the Inaugural Race to Cure Sarcoma™ Atlanta



On Saturday, April 14, the inaugural Race to Cure Sarcoma™ Atlanta was held at Town Center Park in Suwanee, GA. Over 300 participants joined us and raised more than \$35,000! With the help of race committee chair, Kayla Lunn, and numerous volunteers from the local high schools, the event went off without a hitch. We heard sarcoma stories from survivors, patients and caregivers, and spoken remarks from Dr. Ken Cardona of Winship Cancer Institute. Thank you to our national sponsors Lilly Oncology, Eisai and Novartis, our local sponsors Shadow Brook Dental Care and Chick-Fil-A on Moore Road, and our race day vendors Chloe + Isabel and Happy Tails for helping to make the day a community driven event. We are still collecting donations for the Atlanta event and appreciate your support. We look forward to returning to Atlanta in 2019!

Join us for the 2018 Race to Cure Sarcoma™ Richmond



We are excited to announce the date for the 2nd Annual Race to Cure Sarcoma™ Richmond! Please join us on Saturday, November 17, 2018, at The Meadow Event Park, Doswell, Virginia, Caroline County.

Registration is now open! To sign up, or make a gift in support of the Race to Cure Sarcoma™ Richmond, visit www.curesarcoma.org/richmond. A full list of our 2018 Race to Cure Sarcoma™ events can be found at www.racetocuresarcoma.org.

SFA Partners with Conquer Cancer Foundation on Young Investigator Research Award

The Sarcoma Foundation of America is proud to once again partner with American

Society of Clinical Oncology's Conquer Cancer Foundation to support a 2018 Young Investigator Award (YIA) in sarcoma. This grant provides funding for an early-career investigator to advance his or her pioneering sarcoma research.

Read more at <u>www.ascopost.com/issues/april-10-2018/sarcoma-foundation-of-america-ccf/.</u>

Get Involved!

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 17:

Race to Cure Sarcoma Cleveland

Monday, June 18:

2018 Roast Out Sarcoma Golf Outing

Saturday, July 7:

8th Annual Pittsburgh Cure Sarcoma 5K Run/Walk

Interested in hosting an event in your area? Contact us at events@curesarcoma.org.

Looking for volunteer opportunities or other ways to get involved? Contact us at getinvolved@curesarcoma.org.



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