



The Georgetown-Howard Universities Center for Clinical & Translational Science (GHUCCTS) KL2 Scholars Mini-Symposia Program provides scholars the opportunity to, organize and lead a half-day symposium. These series enable scholars to invite one or more national figure whom they have not engaged previously, and whose work and insight could be of strategic importance to the scholar and complement those on their mentoring team. They engage investigators from across our hub and local institutions and enrich the intellectual environment of our hub. This program is diverse and appeals to a multi-disciplined audience.

The GHUCCTS *expanded* KL2 mini-symposium engages translationally-focused early-stage investigators (ESIs) across our hub institutions to organize mini-symposia, tailored to their own research interests with goals of internal and external networking, building new collaborative and mentoring relationships across and beyond our Hub, increasing local recognition of multidisciplinary translational research efforts and highlighting translational science principles across our Hub.

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Topics & Speakers:

[Social and Economic Burdens of Cancer Survivorship in the United States](#)

Host: Dr. Victoria Lai

Speakers: Robin Yabroff, PhD, Dr. Tara Suntum, Hannah Arem, PhD, Claire C. Conley, PhD, Victoria Lai, MD, MS, FACS

Date & Time: October 29, 2025; 9AM-1PM ET

Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

Innovative Family-Based Prevention and Treatment Approaches to Promoting Childhood and Adolescent Health

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Erica Coates

Speakers: Dr. Velma McBride Murry, Dr. Andrea Chronis-Tuscano

Date & Time: May 20, 2025; 12:00-1:30PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

Reimaging Perinatal Care

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Christina X. Marea

Speakers: Dr. Rachel Hardeman, Dr. Natalie Hernandez-Green, Dr. Heather Bradford, Dr. Lauren Arrington

Date & Time: March 19 & 20, 2025

Location: Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

[Skin Stem Cells: Coping with Stress](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Bonnie Carney

Speaker: Elaine Fuchs, Ph.D.

Date & Time: Tuesday, February 25, 2025; 12:00PM to 1:00PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

[Protein Homeostasis in Neurons: How Protein Synthesis and Degradation Are Regulated in Healthy and Diseased Brain](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Haiyan He

Guest Speakers: Erin Schuman, PhD; Seth Margolis, PhD; Clarissa Waites, PhD; Charbel Moussa, MBBS, PhD

Date & Time: October 8, 2021; 10AM - 1PM ET

Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

[Quantifying and Modifying the Microbiome-Immune Relationship](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Kate Michel

Guest Speakers: Nichole Klatt, PhD; Bing Ma, PhD; Raja Mazumber, MS, PhD; Ian Myles, MD, MPH; Pinaki Panigrahi, MD, PhD

Date & Time: Wednesday February 19, 2020; 11AM – 2PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

[Immune Cells in Motion: Visualizing Cell Function](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Annie Kruger

Guest Speakers: Paul Kubes, PhD; Alexander Kroemer, MD, PhD; Kaitlyn Sadtler, PhD; Meiqing Shi, DVM; Steven Singer, PhD; and Suman Ranjit, PhD

Date & Time: Monday December 2, 2019; 9:00AM - 12:30PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

[Clinical Proteomics for Diagnostics and Precision Medicine: Tumor Heterogeneity and Treatment Response](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Chukwuemeka Ihemelandu

Guest Speakers: Emanuel F. Petricoin, MD; Kevin Cleary, PhD; Martin. J. Schnermann, PhD; and Stanley Fricke, NuCE, PhD

Date & Time: Wednesday November 20, 2019; 9:00AM - 12:30PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Zoom Live Stream

[The Effect of Abnormal Sleep: Addressing Sleep in Diabetes Management](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Evgenia Gourgari

Guest Speakers: Michelle Perfect, MD; Thomas Mellman, MD

Date & Time: Monday, February 25, 2019; 12:30PM - 3 PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Live Stream

[Blood-Based Biomarkers of Stroke: A Framework for using Systems Biology to Characterize Clinical Disease](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Matthew Edwardson

Guest Speaker: Frank Sharp, MD

Date & Time: Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 12:00PM - 4:00 PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Live Stream

[Hybrid Effectiveness-Implementation Designs: A Review and New Considerations](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Alejandra Hurtado de Mendoza

Guest Speaker: Geoffrey M. Curran, PhD

Date & Time: Thursday, December 6, 2018; 10:00AM - 12:00PM ET

Location: Georgetown University & Live Stream

[Functions of the "Non-Eloquent" Hemisphere](#)

Host & KL2 Scholar: Dr. Anna Greenwald

Guest Speaker: Argye E. Hillis, MD, MA

Date & Time: Wednesday, December 5, 2018; 1:30PM - 3:30PM ET

Medstar-NRH & Live Stream