

**OHSU Knight Cancer Center/Mike Newton  
Esophageal Cancer Foundation  
8th Annual WECAN Esophageal Cancer Research Forum  
Kohler Pavilion 13000A  
Saturday March 5th, 2016**

- 7:45 am**      **Continental Breakfast, KPV13000B**
- 8:00 am      Introduction –**John Hunter, MD and Charles Thomas, MD**
- 8:05 am      Comments from the Newton Family
- 8:10 am      “Directing Therapy for Esophageal Cancer: The Emerging Role of Imaging as a Biomarker and Guide for RT Delivery”  
**Karyn A. Goodman, MD, MPH (University of Colorado)**
- 8:50 am      “Macrophage-Cancer Cell Fusion: A Mechanism for Tumor Progression-  
**Melissa Wong, PhD**
- 9:05 am      “Neoadjuvant Treatment Response Assessment and Detection of Minimal Residual Disease in Locally-advanced Esophageal and Rectal Cancers Using Plasma Circulating Tumor DNA”  
**Nima Nabavizadeh, MD & Paul Spellman, PhD**
- 9:20 am      “RNA Transcriptome Analysis of Paraffin-embedded Tissue Suggests Tumor-specific Genetic Differences Between Responders and Nonresponders After Neoadjuvant Therapy”  
**Patrick McLaren, MD & Anthony (Paul) Barnes, PhD**
- 9:35 am      “Metastatic Tumor Microenvironment in Esophageal Cancer”  
**Sophia A. Bornstein, MD, PhD**
- 9:50 am      “Obesity and Esophageal Cancer” (25 mins)  
**Bruce Wolff, MD**
- 10:05 am**      **BREAK & Group Photo**
- 10:15 am      “Phase I/II study of Radiation Therapy In Combination with PD-1 Inhibition, Carboplatin and Paclitaxel, For Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma”  
**Charles Thomas, MD or TBD (15 mins)**
- 10:30 am      “Early Detection of Esophageal Cancer with the Swallowed Sponge”  
**Kelly Haisley, MD (15 mins)**

- 10:45 am “Neoadjuvant Chemoradiotherapy with Concurrent Cisplatin/5-FU is Associated with Improved Pathologic Complete Response Rates and Survival Compared to Concurrent Carboplatin/Paclitaxel in Locally-Advanced Esophageal Cancer”  
**Kelly Haisley, MD (15 mins)**
- 11:15 am Lunch**
- RFA Pitch “Utilizing Dynamic Contrast-Enhanced MRI to Accurately Stage Esophageal Adenocarcinoma and Determine Response to Chemoradiotherapy”  
**Steve Siegal, MD, (5 mins, 3 mins Q/A)**
- RFA Pitch “Early Detection of Esophageal Cancer with the Swallowed Sponge”  
**Kelly Haisley, MD (5 mins, 3 mins Q/A)**
- RFA Pitch “Optical Fiber Spectroscopy to Detect Tissue Ischemia in Esophageal Cancer Patients”  
**Patrick McLaren, MD (5 mins, 3 mins Q/A)**
- RFA Pitch "Phase II study of response-guided adjuvant chemotherapy following trimodality therapy for localized adenocarcinoma of the distal esophagus and gastroesophageal junction”  
**Gina Vaccaro, MD (5 mins, 3 mins Q/A)**
- RFA Pitch “A Randomized, Phase II Study of Neoadjuvant Radiotherapy Dose Response in Tri-Modality Therapy for Locally-Advanced Esophageal Adenocarcinoma”  
**Nima Nabavizadeh, MD (5 mins, 3 mins Q/A)**

### **Roundtable Discussion & Closing Remarks**