



**Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center**

## **Membership Overview**

## Why become a member?

*Membership in the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center provides opportunity, access, and member exclusive rates on Shared Resources both within SKCCC and the greater Philadelphia region.*

### OPPORTUNITY

- SKCCC's exclusive grant and funding applications, including both internal pilot awards and externally sponsored awards
- Directed philanthropy and dedicated development officers to assist in fund-raising efforts
- SKCCC's assistance with large scale project development, such as SPORE and P01 applications

### ACCESS

- High-level researchers at Jefferson Health and Drexel University
- Dedicated grant writing support
- High-level speakers via Grand Rounds, seminar series, and retreats

### MEMBER EXCLUSIVE RATES

- Member exclusive rates for SKCCC Shared Resource services both at TJU and DU, as well as prioritization within those Shared Resources, including Biostatistics, Bioinformatics and Research Informatics (BBRISR), Cancer Genomics (CGSR), Bioimaging (BSR), Flow Cytometry & Human Immune Monitoring (FCHIMSR), Translational Research/Pathology (TPSR) and Integrated Structural Biology (ISBSR).
- Member exclusive agreements for use of Shared Resources at other NCI-Designated Cancer Centers, such as the Wistar Institute.

## Applying for membership

Potential members will be expected to provide:

1. Current copy of their complete curriculum vitae including bibliography
2. NIH biosketch
3. NIH formatted Other Support file
4. A recent headshot
5. Cancer relevance statement
6. List of keyword terms associated with their research

To apply, please see our website: [https://ewebapp01pa.jefferson.edu/ccsgpubs/member\\_application.php](https://ewebapp01pa.jefferson.edu/ccsgpubs/member_application.php)



## Guidelines for membership

*Membership connects the scientific community across the consortium. Members are expected to maintain a minimum level of their own research activities, as well as a minimum level of engagement with the cancer center. Two levels of membership exist:*

### FULL MEMBERS

Full Members must hold an academic appointment, and are expected to:

<b>1a. Cancer Research Funding</b>	<i>OR</i>	<b>1b. Engagement with Clinical Research</b>
<b>2. Stewardship</b>		
Participate in meetings, retreats, committees, community outreach, and philanthropic events.		
<b>3. myNCBI account</b>		
Reporting of scientific discoveries is essential for maintaining NCI-Designation. All members must manage their own myNCBI account to ensure compliance with all NCI and NIH requirements. Failure to do so may negatively impact the CCSG submission.		
<b>4. Acknowledge the CCSG and Shared Resources</b>		
All members must acknowledge the CCSG in all scientific research papers. If SKCCC Shared Resources were used, they also must be acknowledged.		

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Individuals who do not meet the criteria for Full membership but have an academic appointment and interest in cancer related projects with a commitment to apply for cancer focused funding or open cancer focused clinical trials.

# The Value Added of an NCI-Designated Cancer Center

## Who We Are

The SKCCC is a research consortium formed in partnership with Drexel University. SKCCC members have access to the researchers, data and biospecimen resources, and large equipment available from both institutions. As an NCI-Designated Cancer Center, the SKCCC is dedicated to providing high-level research opportunities for our members, and comprehensive, personalized care for the patients in our community.

## Who We Serve

Approximately 85% of our patients come from 7-counties surrounding our center city research hub, which we refer to as our catchment area. In Pennsylvania, that includes Bucks, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia Counties, and in New Jersey, Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester Counties. The SKCCC is committed to understanding and better serving these communities through research and engagement.

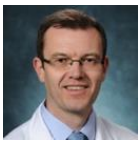
## Leadership



### Center Director

#### Andrew Chapman, DO, FACP, FCPP

Dr. Chapman oversees all aspects of cancer care and the research mission with a focus on setting the vision, priorities, and strategies for the SKCCC, and most importantly providing oversight for the implementation of the SKCCC Strategic Plan, **IMPACT PHL**.



### Deputy Director

#### Andrew Aplin, PhD

Dr. Aplin assists the Center Director in facilitating the integration of basic, translational, clinical, and cancer control research across the enterprise as well as oversight and engagement of inter-programmatic working groups, recruitment efforts, and scientific review of developmental funds proposals.



### Associate Director for Cancer Research Administration

#### Elizabeth (Beth) Schade

Ms. Schade is responsible for ensuring the consortium's research operations meet the standards for comprehensive designation with the NCI. She is the primary liaison between the SKCCC and the NCI Office of Cancer Centers as well as the key contact for coordination between the cancer center and departments at Jefferson including institutional advancement, marketing, Research Administration Center of Excellence (RACE), and the Office of Research Administration (ORA).



### Associate Director for Clinical Research

#### Wm. Kevin Kelly, DO

Dr. Kelly is responsible for all cancer clinical and translational research at the SKCCC, including the management of the Clinical Trials Office (CTO), recruitment of new clinical researchers, and ensuring clinical research is aligned with our strategic plan and compliant with all NCI, NIH, and JH requirements.

### Associate Director for Population Science

#### TBD

TBD is responsible for coordination of all cancer-focused population research at the SKCCC, including the development of collaborative research, coordination of recruitment, and the integration of population science into other avenues of research.



**Associate Director for Basic Science**  
**Alessandro (Sandro) Fatatis, MD, PhD**

Dr. Fatatis is responsible for coordination of all cancer-focused basic research within the SKCCC, including the alignment of basic scientist recruitment, and the development of collaborative basic research. Dr. Fatatis is based within our consortium research partner, Drexel University, and serves as a conduit for engaging DU researchers.



**Associate Director for Community Outreach and Engagement**  
**Amy Leader, MPH, DrPH**

Dr. Leader is responsible for leveraging the cancer center's resources to engage the community in order to reduce the cancer burden within the catchment area. Defining the catchment area, understanding catchment needs, developing community ties, and engaging the community in SKCCC research and clinical trials.



**Associate Director for Training and Education**  
**Nicole Simone, MD**

Dr. Simone oversees the cancer center's professional education and training programs for all levels and stages ranging from high school and graduate students to postdoctoral- and faculty-level scientists, clinicians, and other healthcare professionals.



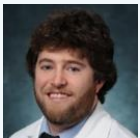
**Associate Director for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**  
**Ana-Maria Lopez, MD, MPH**

Dr. Lopez is responsible for enhancing the SKCCC infrastructure while utilizing institutional resources to expand the pipeline of members from diverse backgrounds, and creating a culture of belonging that encourages self-identification of diverse members and celebrates their contributions to the workforce.



**Associate Director for Shared Resources**  
**Matthias Schnell, PhD**

Dr. Schnell is responsible for managing shared resources, including determinations regarding equipment, services, the closure of existing resources, and the development of new resources.



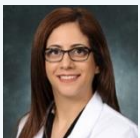
**Associate Director for Data Science**  
**Chris McNair, PhD**

Dr. McNair is responsible for developing data science including recruitment, development of new initiatives, and coordination of data management efforts across the SKCCC.



**Vice President for Cancer Services**  
**Alex Khariton, MBA**

Mr. Khariton is responsible for administration of the service line of the cancer center, including hiring and assigning support personnel for clinical initiatives, and coordination of efforts with the clinical arm of Jefferson Health.



**Chief of Cancer Services**  
**Maysa Abu-Khalaf, MD, MBA**

Dr. Abu-Khalaf assists the Center Director in facilitating the integration of cancer clinical activities across the enterprise.

## Research Programs

SKCCC members are divided into programs based on their primary research interest and potential for collaboration. Many members fit into multiple programs and are encouraged to attend meetings from other Programs, but each are assigned only one home Program. Program meetings are held monthly and retreats annually. Please contact the administrative support person if you would like to attend meetings for any Program.

	<b>Molecular Oncology Regulation and Approaches (MORA)</b>		
	Leader: Daniel Silver, MD, PhD		c-leader: TBD
Administrative Support:		Kayla Morales	
<b>Goal:</b> Make mechanistic discoveries of cancer pathogenesis related primarily to gene, transcriptional, and post-transcriptional regulatory processes and to translate these findings into innovative therapies that improve the clinical outcome of cancer patients.			
	<b>Cancer Risk and Control (CRiC)</b>		
	Leader: Terry Hyslop, PhD		Co-leader: Kuang-Yi We, PhD
Administrative Support:		Alysia Perry	
<b>Goal:</b> To reduce the incidence and mortality of cancer in the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center catchment area and at a national level.			
	<b>Translational and Cellular Oncology (TaCO)</b>		
	Leader: Mauricio Reginato, PhD		Co-Leader: Ubaldo Martinez-Outschoorn, MD, PhD
Administrative Support:		Colleen Ferrara	
<b>Goal:</b> Identify novel cell signaling and metabolic mechanisms in human cancers, and to translate findings into new imaging modalities and therapeutic interventions			
	<b>Immune Cell Regulation and Targeting (IRT)</b>		
	Leader: Pierluigi (PG) Porcu, MD		Co-Leader: Adam Snook, PhD
Administrative Support:		Desirae Price	
<b>Goal:</b> Investigate the role of immune cells in cancer initiation and progression, and ways to harness the immune system for cancer treatment.			

## Social Media Engagement

Help us help you advertise the achievements you send us. Our network of engaged social media users spreads the news of your success well beyond the SKCCC's walls, and your engagement with our social media platforms opens your research up to the greater scientific community.

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KimmelCancerCenter](https://www.facebook.com/SidneyKimmelCancerCenter)

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