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Blue Faery

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Meet our new [Medical Research Chair Committee Chair](#) **Dr. Ghassan Abou-Alfa**

Blue Faery is proud to welcome [Dr. Ghassan K. Abou-Alfa](#), an associate professor of the Gastrointestinal Oncology Service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and Weill Cornell Medical College in New York, to our organization. Dr. Abou-Alfa specializes in the treatment of gastrointestinal malignancies specifically Hepatocellular Carcinoma and biliary cancers. His research is dedicated to finding novel therapies and improving the effectiveness of current therapies for Hepatocellular Carcinoma and biliary cancers. Dr Abou-Alfa has many publications in the field. He has led international teams of investigators and published the first report on the effective role of the novel agent sorafenib in the treatment of primary liver cancer. Dr Abou-Alfa, who has lectured worldwide on the subject of gastrointestinal malignancies, is also a strong advocate for raising awareness and support for improving the outcome of patients with this disease as well as enhancing oncologic education worldwide.

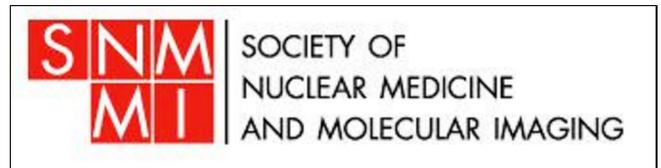


Apply for the Blue Faery Award

Blue Faery is proud to announce the call for submissions and nominations for our annual Blue Faery Award (BFA) for Excellence in Liver Cancer Research. Blue Faery created the award to recognize medical professionals who develop innovative research in the fight against HCC. [Previous BFA winners](#) include Dr. Xin W. Wang, Dr. Mark Feitelson, Dr. Snorri S. Thorgeirsson and Dr. William Coleman. Visit our [Blue Faery Award](#) page for details. Applications and nominations are due January 31, 2016. Please contact [Andrea Wilson](#) with any questions.

Join the Treating Liver Cancer with Radioembolization Webinar

On Friday, October 23, 2015, at 10 a.m. EST, President Andrea Wilson will join Dr. Amit Mahipal and Dr. Ghassan El-Haddad to discuss treating liver cancer with radioembolization. Learn the **what**, **how**, and **when** of this novel therapy, and **who** is eligible to receive it. [Register Now.](#)



Support Services for Families Facing Liver Cancer *What You Need to Know*

June 3, 2015

Karla Pillote, MSN, CAPP, Johns Hopkins Gastroenterology & Hepatology at Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington, DC

Andrea Wilson, MPW, Founder, *Blue Faery: The Adrienne Wilson Liver Cancer Association*

Listen to the Living with Liver Cancer Webinar

In partnership with Liver Cancer Connect, a dedicated program of the Hepatitis B Foundation, Blue Faery participated in a free [Liver Cancer Webinar series](#) to educate patients about treatment, clinical trials and support services. President Andrea Wilson served as a panelist on the [Support Services webinar](#).

Blue Faery thanks Liver Cancer Connect for this incredible opportunity to reach out to patients and their families.



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The American Society of



from the Conquer Cancer the national [ASCO conference](#) in Chicago from May 29 – June 2. Ms. Wilson learned about the latest advances in HCC research, networked with fellow advocates and patient advocacy organizations, and initiated professional relationships with healthcare providers and pharmaceutical companies focused on treating and curing liver cancer. In addition, she personally met Dr. Ghassan Abou-Alfa, Blue Faery's new Medical Research Committee Chair.

Read Blue Faery's updated HCC Patient Education Brochure

One of Blue Faery's most important goals is educating liver cancer patients about their disease. When we began our organization, our first project was to create an HCC Patient Education Brochure because no such document existed in 2003. Our brochure has gone through many revisions over the years. With the assistance of [BioCentric Inc](#), we are thrilled to debut our 2015 edition.

Remember, our HCC brochures are free to all patients, their families and their healthcare providers. Due to our generous donors, you will not pay any shipping costs. If you want one brochure or 100 brochures, please email [Andrea Wilson](#).

Submit to Hepatoma Research

[Hepatoma Research](#) (*Hepatoma Res, HR*), a publication of the Asia-Pacific Association of Medical Research, is a peer-reviewed online journal with quarterly print on demand compilation of issues published. The journal allows free access (Open Access) to its contents and permits authors to self-archive final accepted versions of the articles on any OAI-compliant institutional / subject-based repository. The journal does not charge for submission, processing or publication of manuscripts or for color reproduction of photographs.



Apply for an HCC Clinical Trial

[Open Label Trial of Immunotherapy for Advanced Liver Cancer \(HCC\)](#)

Immunitor Inc is recruiting for a Phase II Open Label liver cancer immunotherapy trial. Patients must have advanced/terminal stage HCC (i.e., Barcelona stage C or D). The intervention is an oral therapeutic vaccine. The purpose of this study is to evaluate daily dosing of oral immunotherapy V5 in patients with advanced stage of HCC not amenable to surgical intervention or with recurrent tumor after surgery.

For more information, contact Director Allen Bain

Email: info@immunitor.com

Call: 360-566-2194.

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[Email Andrea](#) if you have a story that you think would be of interest for our quarterly newsletter. Put "Blue Faery Newsletter" in the subject line, and we will consider it for our next edition.

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