

# The 15th CBIS Biennial Symposium

University of Washington, Seattle, July 28-July 31, 2026

## MEETING PROGRAM – QUICK OVERVIEW

### TUESDAY, JULY 28

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Registration

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm Opening Remarks, Keynote & Plenary Lectures (Smith Hall room 120)

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

8:30 am – 10:00 am Plenary & Award Lectures (Smith Hall room 120)

10:30 am – 12:00 pm Concurrent Sessions 1–4 (Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211)

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm Lunch Session (Smith Hall room 120)

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Concurrent Sessions 5–8 (Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211)

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Concurrent Sessions 9–12 (Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211)

Evening Dinner on Your Own

### THURSDAY, JULY 30

8:30 am – 10:00 am Plenary Lectures (Smith Hall room 120)

10:30 am – 12:00 pm Concurrent Sessions 13–16 (Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211)

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Sponsor Lunch Session (Smith Hall room 120)

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Concurrent Sessions 17–20 (Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211)

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Concurrent Sessions 21–24 (Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211)

Evening Dinner on Your Own

### FRIDAY, JULY 31

8:30 am – 11:55 am Plenary, Award & Keynote Lectures (Smith Hall Room 120)

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Free Time

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Banquet & New Board Announcements (Denny Hall, Oak room)

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

Departure

## **TUESDAY, JULY 28**

Smith Hall

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Registration

Smith Hall Room 120

2:00 pm – 2:10 pm **Welcome Remarks**  
**Zou Lee (CBIS President)**

2:10 pm – 3:00 pm **Keynote Lecture**  
**Tony Hunter (Salk Institute)**  
Title to be announced

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm **Plenary Lecture**  
**Ning Zheng (University of Washington)**  
Title to be announced

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm **Plenary Lecture**  
**Shaorong Gao (Tongji University)**  
Title to be announced

## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 29**

Smith Hall Room 120

8:30 am – 9:00 am **Plenary Lecture**  
**Xiang Zhang (Baylor College of Medicine)**  
Title to be announced

9:00 am – 9:25 am **Young Investigator Award Lecture #1**  
Title to be announced

9:25 am – 10:00 am **Ray Wu Award Lecture #1**  
Title to be announced

10:00 am – 10:30 am COFFEE/TEA BREAK

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1-4**

Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211

**CONCURRENT SESSION 1: Immunology 1: Fundamental Immunology**

Chairs: Chuan Wu (National Institutes of Health); Enfu Hui (UCSD)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 2: Cardiometabolic Crosstalk: New Frontiers in Endocrinology and CVD**

Chairs: Wei Kong (Beijing University); Eugene Chen (University of Michigan)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 3: Virus infection and immunity**

Chairs: Lishan Su (Institute of Human Virology, MD); Liang Shan (Shenzhen Medical Academy of Research and Translation)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 4: Developmental Biology**

Chairs: Yingzi Yang (Harvard University); Jin Jiang (UT Southwestern)

**12:00 pm – 1:30 pm LUNCH SESSION: PLANT BIOLOGY** (Smith Hall room 120)

Chair: Xinnian Dong (Duke University)

**2:00 pm – 3:30 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS 5-8**

Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211

**CONCURRENT SESSION 5: Immunology 2: Tumor Immunology**

Chair: Hongbo Chi (St Jude)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 6: Neuroscience 1: Neuroimmunology**

Chairs: Long-Jun Wu (UT Health Houston); Xinzhong Dong (Johns Hopkins University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 7: Structure biology**

Chairs: Ning Zheng; Yanli Wang (IBP)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 8: Stem Cells**

Chairs: Jun Wu (UT Southwestern); Linghen Li (Stowers Institute for Medical Research)

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm COFFEE/TEA BREAK

**4:00 pm – 5:30 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS 9-12**

Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211

**CONCURRENT SESSION 9: Cell Signaling and Cancer Initiation**

Chairs: Gensheng Feng (Shenzhen Bay Laboratory); Kun-Liang Guan (Westlake University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 10: Neuroscience 2: CNS injury**

Chairs: Zhigang He (Harvard University); Yi Ren (Guangzhou Medical University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 11: AI, Genomics and Technology**

Chairs: Qiang Tian (University of Washington); Andy Tao (Purdue University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 12: RNA in development and diseases**

Chairs: Mofang Liu (Chinese Academy of Sciences); Jun-An Chen (Academia Sinica, Taipei)

5:30 pm Dinner on Your Own

**THURSDAY, JULY 30**

Smith Hall room 120

8:30 am – 10:00 am **Plenary Session**

**Xinzhong Dong (Johns Hopkins University)**

Title to be announced

**Xiaofeng Cao (Chinese Academy of Sciences)**

Title to be announced

**Xiao-Fan Wang (Duke University)**

Title to be announced

10:00 am – 10:30 am COFFEE/TEA BREAK

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS 13-16**

Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211

**CONCURRENT SESSION 13: Tumor microenvironment**

Chairs: Dihua Yu (MD Anderson Cancer Center); Yong Wan (Emory University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 14: Neuroscience 3: Synapses and Circuits**

Chairs: Lin Mei (Chinese Institutes for Medical Research); Zhiping Pang (Rutgers University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 15: Genome instability 1**

Chairs: Dong Wang (UCSD); Li Lan (Duke University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 16: Mechanisms and functions of RNA**

Chairs: Chonghui Cheng (Baylor College of Medicine); Chuan He (University of Chicago)

**12:00 pm – 1:00 pm LUNCH SESSION – SPONSOR PRESENTATION**

Smith Hall room 120

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm FREE TIME

**2:00 pm – 3:30 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS 17-20**

Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211

**CONCURRENT SESSION 17: Tumor Progression and metastasis**

Chairs: Jing Yang (UCSD); Yibin Kang (Princeton University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 18: Ageing/Neurodegeneration 1**

Chairs: Hui Zheng (Baylor College of Medicine); Xiaodong Wang (NIBS)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 19: Genome instability 2**

Chairs: Dong Wang (UCSD); Bing Xia (Rutgers University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 20: Epigenetics and diseases 1**

Chairs: Zhiguo Zhang (Columbia University); Wulan Deng (Beijing University)

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm COFFEE/TEA BREAK

**4:00 pm – 5:30 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS 21-24**

Smith Hall rooms 102, 120, 205 & 211

**CONCURRENT SESSION 21: Cancer therapy and drug resistance**

Chairs: Qing Zhang (UT Southwestern); Qin Yan (Yale University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 22: Ageing/Neurodegeneration 2**

Chairs: Weiwei Dang (Baylor College of Medicine); Guanghui Liu (CAS)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 23: Genome instability 3**

Chairs: Li Lan (Duke University); Bing Xia (Rutgers University)

**CONCURRENT SESSION 24: Epigenetics and diseases 2**

Chairs: Qing Li (Peking University); Chao Lu (Columbia University)

5:30 pm Dinner on Your Own

## **FRIDAY JULY 31**

Smith Hall room 120

8:30 am – 9:30 am **Plenary Session**

**Xiangdong Fu (Westlake University)**

Title to be announced

**Xuemei Chen (Peking University)**

Title to be announced

9:30 am – 9:35 am **Teaching award announcement**

9:35 am – 10:00 am **Young Investigator Award Lecture #2**

10:00 am – 10:35 am **Ray Wu Award Lecture #2**

10:35 am – 11:05 am Coffee/Tea Break

11:05 am – 11:55 am **Keynote Lecture**

**Hongkui Deng (Peking University)**

Title to be announced

11:55 am – 12:00 pm **Closing remarks (Zou Lee)**

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Free time (no organized events)

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm **Banquet & CBIS new Board announcement** (Denny Hall, Oak room)