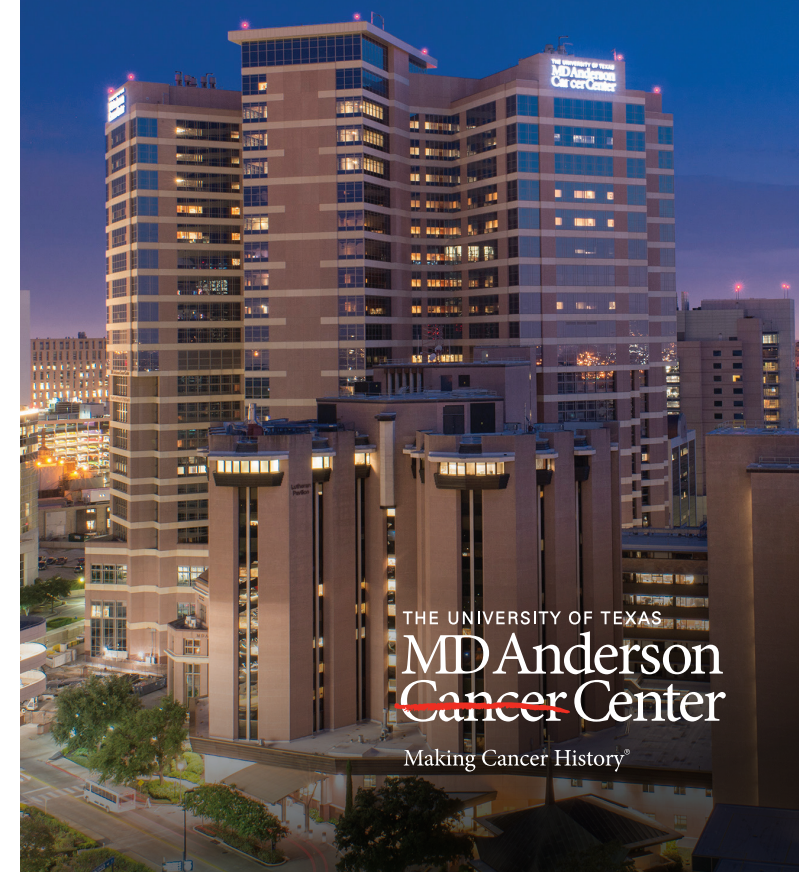


Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) TRIUMPH

Postdoctoral Fellowship

Translational Research in
Multi-Disciplinary Program



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Program Overview

The TRIUMPH Program at MD Anderson Cancer Center is a three-year post-doctoral research program providing unique training in clinical and translational cancer research through didactic coursework, clinical rotations and a unique, multi-disciplinary mentoring team. Our mission is to produce well-trained and knowledgeable translational scientists who will pair with clinicians to direct highly impactful translational research projects and laboratories.

Fellows receive benefits/salary commensurate with NIH stipend guidelines. An annual travel allowance is granted to each fellow to present at national and international research conferences.

TRIUMPH fellows spend their first month meeting with faculty, attending lab meetings, and selecting the research mentor with whom they will train.

TRIUMPH Alumni Testimonial



**Humberto Lara-Guerra,
M.D., Ph.D., CCRP**

Senior Clinical Director
Oncology, Global Late
Development Merck

“The TRIUMPH program clinical rotations, exposures, and interactions with physicians taught me to always think from the other side of the table and keep in mind the current problems that clinicians are confronting and also the practicality and essentiality of the solutions that we were developing.”

TRIUMPH Alumni Testimonial



Dong Yang, Ph.D.

Medical Science Liaison
Guardant Health

“Without the TRIUMPH program, I would have never found my passion in clinical research and in the job I love.”



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Program Eligibility

Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. from a top graduate program (U.S. or abroad) in any of the life sciences within the last 3 years. Publications in top tier journals (must have at least one first- or co-first author paper in a journal with an IF >8) Dedication to pursue translational cancer research

United States Citizenship or Permanent Residency is not required. All foreign fellows must have a valid visa for the duration of the fellowship.

Junior postdoctoral fellows and graduate students within one year of their anticipated defense date are highly encouraged to apply early. Program start dates are flexible.

Established post-docs are also encouraged to apply but should have no more than 3 years of experience by the time they enter the program if accepted.

How to apply

1. Updated Curriculum Vitae
2. PDF reprints of all first or co-first author publications
3. Three letters of recommendation
Letters should be written on official letter head and contain original signatures. They should be submitted by email from the referee's institutional/organizational email account to keleonard@mdanderson.org.
4. A two-page essay describing your goals and dedication toward a career in translational cancer research.

Essay should be single-spaced and in 12-point Arial or Times New Roman font

Completed application should be sent to keleonard@mdanderson.org

TRIUMPH Didactic Coursework

Fellows complete 12-15 credit hours of didactic coursework. Course selection is tailored individually from more than 160 different course offerings for each fellow to strengthen and broaden fundamental and translational cancer research knowledge.

Examples of TRIUMPH coursework include:

- Basic & Translational Cancer Biology
- Human Protocol Research
- Human Pathobiology
- Application of Tumor Immunology - Clinical Setting
- Translational Science: Bedside to Bench and Back
- Translational Cancer Research
- Design and Management of Clinical Trials



TRIUMPH Clinical Rotations

Fellows complete 3-5 clinical rotations and are matched to specific rotations based on interest and applicability to the fellow's research project.

- Medical Oncology
- Surgical Oncology
- Radiation Oncology
- Investigational Cancer Therapeutics
- Translational Pathology

TRIUMPH Faculty

TRIUMPH faculty are internationally recognized leaders in cancer research. They include National Academy of Science Members and a Nobel Prize Recipient. Our faculty serve in leadership roles at MD Anderson and direct a wide variety of research projects expanding into all facets of cancer research. TRIUMPH faculty have excellent experience as post-doctoral mentors and publish often with their postdoctoral fellows in high impact, peer-reviewed journals.

TRIUMPH Alumni Testimonial



Nicole Kettner, Ph.D.
Postdoctoral Fellow

"The TRIUMPH program provided me with an incredibly rich training environment encompassing a wide range of research from the most basic to cutting edge clinical trials. With the expertise of my mentor and committee members, who are a diverse mixture of basic, translational, and physician scientists, I am guiding my research project from bench to bedside for potential development of a clinical trial."

TRIUMPH Alumni

TRIUMPH fellows are highly sought after for their unique and integrative training in translational research and have earned top positions in academia and industry. Our alumni win many awards and lead high-impact scientific research worldwide.

Visit our website for a full list of TRIUMPH faculty mentors, alumni profiles, and to learn more about our current TRIUMPH Fellows and their research projects.

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