



GIST Information Support & Therapy Summit

September 26, 2015

Dr. Neeta Somaiah and Dr. Jonathan Trent, in partnership with GIST Support International (GSI), are pleased to invite you to the Seventh Annual GIST Summit to be held Saturday, September 26 at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas.

This year's program is again exciting, and we have another impressive group of experts and a wide range of topics--details on the speakers and the agenda are printed on the reverse of this invitation. Not only will you be able to discuss GIST issues with the experts and ask those questions you always meant to ask, but you will also have plenty of time to meet with other GIST patients and caregivers and to share experiences.

This free-of-charge Summit is being sponsored through educational grants from Novartis Oncology, Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, and Pfizer. The program will last a full day, with breakfast, lunch, dinner and refreshments provided.

Here's your chance to listen to relevant and informative talks, take part in the workshops, meet with old friends and new, and catch up on the latest science. Our six previous GIST Summits have been great successes, and we think this year's get-together promises the same. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Venue: M D Anderson Rooms 1-8, 8th Floor, Cancer Prevention Building at 1155 Pressler Street, Houston 77030. Time: 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Register Now: <http://www.gistsupport.org/gsi-community/gists-2015-meeting.php>

SEVENTH ANNUAL GIST SUMMIT, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

8:00 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Neeta Somaiah, M.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Sarcoma Medical Oncology, Division of Cancer Medicine, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

9:05 a.m. GIST 101: Much to Learn About GIST

Jonathan C. Trent, M.D., Ph.D., Director, Sarcoma Medical Research Program and Professor of Medicine, Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, University of Miami Health System, Miami, FL

10:00 a.m. Coffee Break

10:20 a.m. GIST 201: The Pathology of GIST

Alexander Lazar, M.D., Ph.D., Department of Pathology, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center Selective (Soft Tissue) Pathology Fellowship Training Program, Houston, TX

11:15a.m. Contemporary Issues in Surgical Management of Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor

Raphael E. Pollock, M.D., Ph.D., Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center, Professor of Surgery, Chief of Surgical Services, James Cancer Hospital, Columbus, OH

12:00 p.m. Group Photo – Lunch – Filming Patient Testimonials – Poster Display – Visiting with Speakers and Pharmaceutical Representatives

2:15 p.m. (Title to be determined)

Jonathan A. Fletcher, M.D., Dana-Farber Cancer Institute/Harvard Cancer Center, Associate Professor Department of Pathology, Boston, MA

3:15 p.m. Coffee Break

3:45 p.m. Building a New Paradigm in Combination Therapy: Trends and Pivotal Trials

Neeta Somaiah, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Sarcoma Medical Oncology, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston TX

4:45 p.m. Ask the Experts—All GIST Expert Physicians

Remarks by Robert S. Benjamin, M.D., P.H. and Fay E. Robinson Distinguished Professor, Division of Cancer Medicine, The University of Texas Center, Houston, TX

6:00 p.m. Closing Remarks and Adjourn to Dinner

