

Duke-NUS/KU-CRI Joint Symposium & International Symposium on Tumor Biology in Kanazawa 2026

Advancing Basic Cancer Research through International Collaboration:
From Genomics and the Tumor Microenvironment to Metastasis and Drug Resistance

9:50 Opening Remarks

Takashi Wada, President, Kanazawa University

Wai Leong Tam, Programme Director, Duke-NUS Medical School

10:00 Session 1

Kyoko Hida, Hokkaido University

Vascular Inflammaging: A Common Driver of Infectious Diseases and Cancer

Koji Itahana, Duke-NUS Medical School

*Harnessing p53-regulated macrophage iron metabolism
for host defense and cancer therapy*

Hideko Isozaki, Kanazawa University

Targeting persistent cancer cell evolution to prevent acquired drug resistance

12:00 Break

13:00 Session 2

Takashi Kohno, National Cancer Center Japan

*Insights from Real-World Data on 140,000 Patients with
Advanced Cancer: Japan's Nationwide Clinicogenomic C-CAT Database*

Bin Tean Teh, Duke-NUS Medical School

*New insights on functions of clear cell renal cell carcinoma related
genes: VHL, PBRM1, and BAP1*

14:20 Break

14:30 Session 3

Nicholas Stanislaw Tolwinski, Duke-NUS Medical School

Mesenchymal drift is an ancient and reversible signature of aging

Eishu Hirata, Kanazawa University

Microglia-induced cancer cell death and the underlying regulatory mechanisms

Wai Leong Tam, Duke-NUS Medical School

Targeting metabolic vulnerabilities in cancer

16:30 Closing Remarks

Bin Tean Teh, Professor, Duke-NUS Medical School

Takeshi Suzuki, Director General, Kanazawa University

16:40 Photo Session

17:30 Networking Reception

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