## SASS/2023 Strategic Advances in Sarcoma Science Natcher Conference Center – NCI

Sept 14-15, 2023

## **Meeting Description**

SASS2023 is the inaugural of an annual sarcoma conference: "Strategic Advances in Sarcoma Science". This conference meets at the NIH campus (Bethesda, MD) on Sept 14-15, 2023, and is cosponsored by the Center for Cancer Research, NCI. The SASS2023 organizing group is the SARC Discovery/Translation committee (www.tinyurl.com/SARC-DTC).

SASS2023 has eight main sessions focused on basic science and four breakouts focused on translational/clinical challenges. This collaborative conference aims for a fun and interactive workshop-like experience but at somewhat larger scale (120 participants). Differentiating features of the conference include emphases on continuity and deliverables. The SARC DTC is raising funds to subsidize pilot projects in the breakout groups and to defray travel/lodging expenses for early career participants. SASS participants, except those attending only a Breakout session, will contribute \$100 towards meal, AV, and other costs.

## SASS MAIN SESSIONS

- 1. Models: Novel Approaches and Applications
- 2. Omics: New Twists, New Therapeutic Challenges
- 3. Sarcoma Immune and Non-Immune Interactions
- 4. Sarcoma Metabolism
- 5. Dissecting Sarcoma Progenitors and Evolution
- 6. Epigenetic Mechanisms in Sarcoma
- 7. BAF Dysregulation in Sarcoma
- 8. Reapproaching Sarcoma Cytotoxicity

## **BREAKOUT GROUPS**

- 1. GIST
- 2. Sarcoma Research Consortia
- 3. Immune Biology and Immunotherapies
- 4. Advances in Sarcoma Therapies: Delivery, Strategies, Targets