LECTURE SERIES 2026

CANCER RESEARCH

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Thursday

LECTURE 14.30 - 15.30

MEET & EAT * 15.30 - 16.30

Coffee and sweets

James Allison Room

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T Cell Plasticity, the Path for Better Therapeutics

BIO

Dr. Samir N. Khleif is a pioneer in the field of immunotherapy. He is a medical oncologist, immunologist, innovator, and entrepreneur, as well as a transformational executive in health care and biomedical research.

Prior to becoming CEO of Georgiamune, Dr. Khleif served in different academic and leadership positions. He was a National Cancer Institute (NCI)/National Institutes of Health (NIH) scientist and Chief of the NCI Cancer Vaccine Section, where he led the development of pioneering immune-oncology and cancer vaccines into clinical trials. As a national and international academic leader, and detailed by the US government, he served as the founding director and CEO of the King Hussein Cancer Center in Amman, Jordan, where he led the development of the largest cancer center in the MENA region. He also served as the director of the Georgia Cancer Center, the state cancer center, at Augusta University. He is currently a biomedical scholar and holds a professorship at Georgetown University Medical School.

Dr. Khleif also served as a Special Assistant to the Commissioner of the FDA, leading the FDA's Critical Path Initiative for Oncology. He is a member of the board of directors of Ayala Pharmaceuticals and Emerald Biopharmaceutics, and served as a member of the scientific advisory board of more than 20 biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies.

Dr. Khleif is an international KOL in immunology and immunotherapy. He has served on many national committees, including the Scientific Advisory Board of the Biden Cancer Initiative, as chair of the Immunotherapy Committee for NRG, and as a member of the NCI Cooperative Group. He currently serves as an advisor for the Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy. Dr. Khleif is an editor of three books, the author of hundreds of peer-reviewed scientific research articles, and a prolific inventor with more than 150 patents issued or pending in the field of immunology and immunotherapy.



SPEAKER

Dr. Samir N. Khleif

HOST:

Department of Cancer Research LIH

RESPONSIBLE SCIENTIST:

Dr Bassam Janji

***Registration for the Meet & Eat is mandatory. Please email Siu-Thinh Ho to confirm your attendance Siu-Thinh.Ho@lih.lu**

Location:

Lecture:
CHL - Centre
Room: ***Amphitheatre***
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Webex:
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