

The Winners of The 10th Kobayashi Foundation Award

Part 1 (Researchers)

(in alphabetical order)

Title of Research	Applicant				
	Institution	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Country/Region
MicroRNA-146b-5p-Driven Cholesterol Metabolic Reprogramming as a Therapeutic Vulnerability in Cisplatin-Resistant Bladder Cancer	Universiti Malaya	Nur Akmarina	Binti	Mohd Said	Malaysia
Selection Reason					
<p>Dr. Nur Akmarina Binti Mohd Said is recognized for elucidating a novel mechanism underlying cisplatin resistance in bladder cancer through the identification of specific microRNAs and cholesterol metabolism reprogramming, and for advancing the translational potential of her findings toward clinical application, particularly through the development of a miR-146b-5p inhibitor.</p>					
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Clinical and Translational research	Department of Clinical Oncology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong	Stephen	Lam	Chan	Hong Kong
Selection Reason					
<p>Dr. Stephen Lam Chan is a global leader in hepatocellular carcinoma research, having led multicenter international collaborations and clinical trials that have advanced novel therapeutic strategies. His leadership in the development of the ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines and his seminal contributions to elucidating mechanisms of immunotherapy resistance have had a profound impact on the field.</p>					

Part 2 (Medical Teams)

Subject for Medical Services	Applicant				
	Institution	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Country/Region
Philippine Team Oncology Program	Benavides Cancer Institute, University of Santo Tomas Hospital	JC Kenneth	Melecio	Jacinto	Philippines
Selection Reason					
<p>Dr. JC Kenneth Melecio Jacinto and his team are recognized for advancing sustainable cancer care through the development of a culturally adapted P-TOP model that prioritizes interprofessional collaboration, psychological safety, and effective team communication, thereby integrating education, clinical practice, and societal engagement in the Philippines and beyond.</p>					