



Dear Colleagues,

As Editor-in-Chief of the open access journal *Cancers*, it is my pleasure to announce that the winner of the 2017 *Cancers* Travel Award is Dr. Cecilia Leung, Ph.D. Dr. Leung is a postdoctoral researcher in Prof. Giulio Draetta's laboratory at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX, USA. On behalf of *Cancers*, she will be supported with 1000 Swiss Francs towards travel expenses to attend the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting 2017 to be held at Washington, D.C., USA.

Dr. Leung's current research focuses on epigenetic regulation of pancreatic cancer progression. Using pooled shRNA epigenome library, she and her colleagues performed an *in vivo* loss-of-function screen and identified COMPASS-like complexes, which have specific H3K4 methyltransferase activity, to be key oncogenic drivers of pancreatic cancer. Dr. Leung has co-authored ten publications of which three are as first author, many in high profile journals (such as *Nature Communications*, *Cancer Research* and *Clinical Cancer Research*). She has also already been the recipient of numerous awards.

Prof. Samuel C. Mok
Editor-in-Chief

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