

Lecture 19: In vivo model systems to study nanomedical approaches to cancer detection and intervention

- I. Role of animal models in translational cancer research
 - A. Steps from the “bench” to the “bedside”
 - B. The in vivo environment (3D, blood supply, microenvironment, immune system)
 - C. Types of studies performed in animal models: biodistribution, pharmacokinetics, toxicity, “efficacy”
 - D. Expertise of the team needed to take new approaches from the “bench” to the “bedside”
- II. Types of animal models available for translational cancer research
 - A. Tumors induced by chemicals, irritants, light/radiation
 - B. Syngeneic models
 - C. Immunocompromised animals and “foreign” xenografts
 - D. Transgenic animals
 - E. Naturally-occurring animal models of cancer
- III. Naturally-occurring cancer in dogs as models for human cancer
 - A. Models identified to date
 - B. Naturally-occurring urinary bladder cancer in dogs
 - C. Examples of ongoing studies in pet dogs
- IV. Nanomedicine approaches studied in animals in the Knapp / Leary / Bergstrom labs and the Knapp / Frangioni labs
 - A. Targeting programmable multilayer nanoparticles in breast cancer
 - B. Sentinel lymph node mapping in urinary bladder cancer
 - C. Future applications of nanomedicine approaches in urinary bladder cancer

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