Inaugural Volume of Annual Review of Cancer Biology is a Milestone for Interdisciplinary Life Science

Annual Reviews, the nonprofit publisher currently celebrating 85 years of providing highly cited review journals to the research community, is pleased to announce the launch of its 47th journal, the Annual Review of Cancer Biology. The first volume of the Annual Review of Cancer Biology contains more than twenty reviews that address the basic mechanisms of cancer development and the translation to therapeutic strategies today and in the future. Co-Editors Dr. Tyler Jacks (Director of the Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research at MIT) and Dr. Charles L. Sawyers (Chair of the Human Oncology and Pathogenesis Program at Memorial Sloan Kettering) said:

“Cancer Biology covers a wide range of disciplines that are converging to provide a deep understanding of the cancer cell and the various biological and physiological processes that contribute to tumor initiation and progression. These advances—coupled with the application of an increasing array of powerful technologies—have paved the way for the development of numerous new medicines that are greatly benefiting cancer patients.”

The journal scope includes three themes to cover a broad spectrum of the rapidly moving cancer biology field: Cancer Cell Biology, Tumorigenesis and Cancer Progression, and Translational Cancer Science. Dr. Charles Sawyers added, “We will plan each volume to address fundamental biology of tumor cells and interactions with the host, cancer genomes, cancer drug targets, resistance to cancer drugs, and more. We work closely with our Editorial Committee to select these topics and invite leaders in these areas to contribute articles of exceptional quality and content.”

“We are delighted that Dr. Harold Varmus (Weill Cornell Medical College) contributes historical context and perspective on future trends for cancer biology in his article, ‘How Tumor Virology Evolved into Cancer Biology and Transformed Oncology,’” Dr. Sawyers expanded. “Cancer research has become deeply linked to investigation of the central themes in the life sciences. Dr. Varmus's work has been important to the evolution of our interdisciplinary science.”

“The launch of the Annual Review of Cancer Biology recognizes that the field has recently come of age in the scientific community,” commented Dr. Richard Gallagher, President and Editor-in-Chief of Annual Reviews. “Annual Reviews is privileged to convene many of the world’s experts on our Editorial Committees, and Dr. Jacks and Dr. Sawyers have assembled a diverse editorial committee to identify the topics and authors to offer insight and direction that will help researchers and clinicians advance this rapidly evolving and important field that affects so many lives.”

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Dr. Varmus's article is available open access: How Tumor Virology Evolved into Cancer Biology and Transformed Oncology
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