

## Translational Cancer Research in ASTRO 2013 meeting, Atlanta

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Although swamped in the vast Exhibit Hall, the sign of *Translational Cancer Research (TCR)* was eye-catching and attracted a large number of attendees to sign up for Newsletters and to pick up sample copies or flyers during the American Society for Radiation Oncology's 55th Annual Meeting (ASTRO 2013) held in Atlanta, September 22 to 25, 2013 (Figure 1). The editorial team of *TCR* attended this meeting in order to better keep up with the latest progress in radiation oncology, at the same time, to introduce this potential journal to more radiation oncologists.

Featuring novel biological principles and targeted radiosensitization strategies, "DNA Damage and Repair" was the very first and hot Scientific Session in this ASTRO, in the meantime in the Exhibit Hall, the editorial team of *TCR* exhibited a special issue published in June Issue of 2013 on "DNA Damage and Repair" guest edited by Drs. David Chen and Benjamin Chen from University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (Figure 2, <http://www.thetcr.org/issue/view/63>). The issue received warm welcome by



**Figure 1** Attendees were getting to know about the journal and signing up for Newsletters.

physicians attended. It is hoped that this "DNA Damage and Repair" edition will serve as a valuable resource for the biologist community to stimulate more in-depth studies.

Special issues on "Particle Beam Therapy I&II" and



**Figure 2** *TCR* Special issues on "DNA Damage and Repair", "Nanotechnology in Radiation Research" and "Particle Beam Therapy".



**Figure 3** ASTRO attendees were picking up free sample copies of *TCR* and signing up for the Newsletters.



**Figure 4** Attendees adored the little gifts.

“Nanotechnology in Radiation Research” were also being well introduced (Figures 2,3) in this meeting. The editorial team also prepared little lovely gifts for attendees visiting our exhibition booth (Figure 4). Many editorial board members as well as authors stopped by to support the exhibition (Figure 5).

With the journal’s overall goal to improve the clinical care for cancer patients, the editorial team is dedicated to keeping pace and publishing results of novel research investigations which bridge the laboratory and clinical settings in cellular and molecular characterization, prevention, detection, diagnosis and treatment of human cancers. The upcoming special issues of *TCR* include “Intraoperative Radiotherapy”, “Statistical applications in biomedical genomics”, “Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy” and “Radiation Effects in the CNS” in 2014.

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**Figure 5** Editorial team of *TCR* in the exhibition hall of ASTRO. From left to right: Elva S. Zheng, science editor, Prof. Eric Y. Chuang, Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Reinhard W. Schulte, editorial board member, and Nancy Q. Zhong, science editor.

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