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AGENDA (10:00AM – 7:00PM)

10:00 - 10:30AM – Registration | Refreshments | Networking

10:30 - 10:45AM – Opening Remarks

10:45 – 11:15AM – Fireside Chat with Patient & Caregiver Advocates

- Mr. Tony Newberne
 - Cancer Survivor & Patient Advocate
- Ms. Sharon King
 - Chief Operating Officer, National MPS Society
- Dr. Barbara Savoldo (moderator)
 - Champion Mitchell Distinguished Professorship, Pediatric Oncology & Co-Director, UNC Lineberger Immunotherapy Program

11:15 – 12:00PM – Business Roundtable

- Dr. John Powderly II
 - Founder & President, Carolina BioOncology Institute and Founder & CEO, BioCytics
- Dr. Bruce Thompson
 - President & Chief Technology Officer, Kincell Bio
- Mr. Ignacio Nunez (moderator)
 - Founder & Principal, BioExcellence

12:00 – 1:00PM – Lunch | Refreshments | Networking

1:00 - 3:00 PM – Hope for solid tumor cancer patients through adoptive TIL therapy

- Ms. Pamy Noldner
 - Team Lead Manager for Product & Process Development, Duke University
- Dr. Shikhar Mehrotra
 - Professor, Medical University of South Carolina
- Final Speaker Announcement Coming Soon!
- Panel
 - Moderated by Dr. Jose Ramon Conejo-Garcia (Duke University)

3:00 – 3:30 PM – Break & Refreshments

3:30 – 5:00 PM – Innovations in allogeneic $\gamma\delta$ T cell therapy

- Dr. Daniel Abate-Daga
 - Scientific Director, Cell Therapy Facilities, Moffitt Cancer Center
- Dr. Richard Lopez
 - Founder & CEO, Phosphogam and Associate Professor, Duke University
- Dr. Christopher Doering,
 - Chief Scientific Officer, Expression Therapeutics
- Panel
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5:00 – 5:05PM – Closing Remarks

5:05 - 7:00 PM – Dinner & Drinks | Networking | Poster Session