

# 2026

## Montagna Symposium on the Biology of Skin

*Sponsorship packet*

**Resident Memory T Cells in Health  
and Disease**

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# The Montagna Symposium on the Biology of Skin



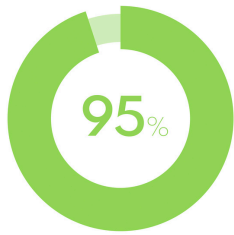
## About

For more than 75 years, the Montagna Symposium on the Biology of Skin has set the scientific agenda in dermatology. Montagna is widely regarded as the most prestigious investigative dermatology meeting in North America.

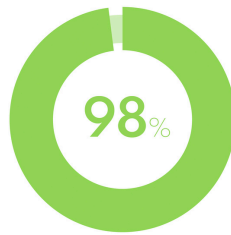
Each year, approximately 150 of the world's leading skin scientists, physician-scientists, translational researchers, and high-potential trainees gather for four immersive days at Skamania Lodge in the Columbia River Gorge.

Montagna is intentionally intimate: attendees share meals, discussions, and outdoor experiences that foster meaningful collaboration and lasting professional relationships.

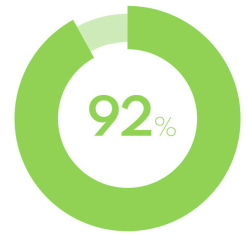
The results speak for themselves:



95% of attendees report forming new research or clinical collaborations



98% learn novel strategies applicable to treating skin disease



92% gain information directly applicable to their work

Montagna is not simply a meeting – it is where careers accelerate, collaborations are born, and the future of dermatology is shaped.



# Tissue-Resident Memory T Cells (TRM) in the Skin

The 2026 Symposium explores one of the most transformative discoveries in immunodermatology: Tissue-Resident Memory T Cells (TRM).

Human skin contains an estimated 20 billion immune cells that never leave their tissue. These resident memory cells retain a lifelong imprint of infections, allergens, inflammatory insults, and tumors—fundamentally reshaping our understanding of chronic and recurrent skin disease. This science explains:

- Why psoriasis recurs in the same anatomical locations
- Why vitiligo reappears in previously affected skin
- How the immune system keeps early melanomas dormant
- Why checkpoint immunotherapies are dramatically effective in certain skin cancers
- Why eczema flares recur in predictable patterns
- How next-generation vaccines may be delivered through the skin

The therapies that will define the next decade of dermatologic care—targeted biologics, cancer immunotherapies, durable remission strategies, and skin-based vaccines—are being built on this biology.

The investigators presenting at Montagna are the scientists driving these breakthroughs.

# A Once-in-a-Career Faculty

The 2026 Montagna Symposium Program is directed by:

*Symposium Chair*

**Rachael Clark,  
M.D., Ph.D.**

Harvard /  
Brigham &  
Women's  
Hospital



Dr. Clark discovered that human skin harbors twice as many immune cells as the bloodstream

*Co-organizer*

**Liv Eidsmo,  
M.D., Ph.D.**

Karolinska Institutet /  
University of Copenhagen

*Elucidated mechanisms of psoriasis recurrence*



*Co-organizer*

**Thomas  
Gebhardt, Ph.D.**

University of Melbourne

*Demonstrated immune-mediated melanoma dormancy*



*Co-organizer*

**William Crisler,  
M.D., Ph.D.**

Harvard / Brigham &  
Women's Hospital

*Applying cutting-edge sequencing, spatial transcriptomics, and proteomics to human skin disease.*



## Symposium Co-directors



**Alex Ortega, M.D.,  
M.C.R.**  
OHSU



**Sancy Leachman,  
M.D., Ph.D.**  
OHSU



**Tamia Harris-Tryon,  
M.D., Ph.D.**  
UT Southwestern

In addition to the organizing committee, invited speakers include leaders from Harvard, Penn, Columbia, Michigan, MGH, NYU, and other major international institutions, covering:

- Inflammatory skin disease
- Skin cancer and tumor immunity
- Infection and vaccination
- Emerging therapeutic strategies



# Why industry partnership matters

Industry support strengthens the scientific foundation upon which clinical innovation depends. Supporting Montagna signals a commitment to scientific excellence, innovation, and the future of dermatologic therapeutics. Industry is a critical piece of our puzzle.

True to this commitment (and in the spirit of the Montagna Symposium) we develop our program around meaningful, personal engagement opportunities for all of our participants – including our sponsors.

## Sponsors align themselves with:

- The most influential physician-scientists in dermatology
- NIH-funded principal investigators
- Department chairs and endowed professors
- The next generation of academic and translational leaders



# Sponsorship Levels



## Associate Sponsor

- Two badges
- Logo placement & acknowledgement in conference materials

**\$3,000**

## Patron Sponsor

- Two badges
- Logo placement & acknowledgement in conference materials
- Exhibit table

**\$5,000**

## Benefactor Sponsor

- Two badges
- Logo placement & acknowledgement in conference materials
- Exhibit table
- Participation in small group breakout activities

**\$10,000**

# Sponsorship Levels (cont.)



## Sustainer Sponsor

- Two badges
- Logo placement & acknowledgement in conference materials
- Exhibit table in premium space
- Participation in small group breakout activities

**\$15,000**

## Champion Sponsor

- Two badges
- Logo placement & acknowledgement in conference materials
- Exhibit table in premium space
- Participation in small group breakout activities
- Participation in industry leaders' panel

**\$25,000**

# Sponsorship Levels (cont.)

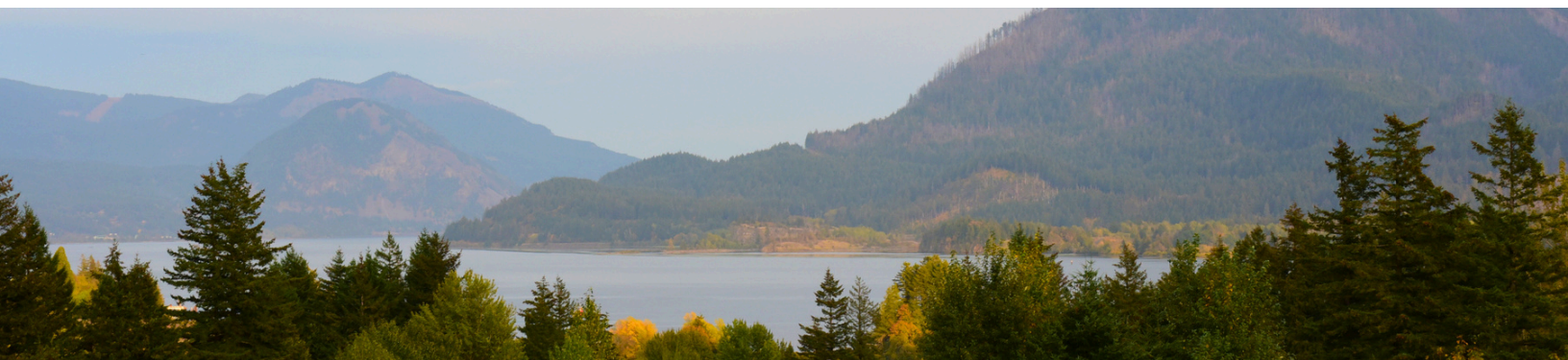


## Platinum Sponsor

- Two badges
- Logo placement & acknowledgement in conference materials
- Exhibit table in premium space
- Participation in small group breakout activities
- Participation in industry leaders' panel
- 1:1 or small group meetings with select speakers and attendees

**\$40,000**

*Note:* All of the above sponsorship opportunities include refreshments throughout the day and meals. Additional badges purchased in conjunction with the above sponsorship levels can be purchased for \$1000.



# Program Sponsorship a la carte – *Scientific Program*

## *Sponsor a Symposium Session*

**\$10,000**  
(Existing Sustainer or above Sponsor)

**\$20,000**  
(a la carte)

Sponsorship of one of the Symposium's 4 sessions:

- Core Biology of TRM
- TRM in Infection and Host-Microbe Interactions
- TRM in Tumor Immunology and Immunotherapy
- TRM Driving Inflammatory Skin Disease

Includes a introduction presentation (~2 minutes) on the main symposium program on why you are sponsoring this particular session. Also Includes company logo & acknowledgement on Symposium program, Symposium announcements slides, and session introduction slides.

## *Sponsor the Poster Competition*

**\$10,000**  
(Existing Sustainer or above Sponsor)

**\$20,000**  
(a la carte)

One of the premiere sessions of the Symposium with 50+ scientific posters, the Poster Sponsorship Sponsor will receive acknowledgement as the competition sponsor in Symposium program and announcements slides. In addition:

- Advertising space in the poster area during Poster Competition is available
- (Optional) advertising at (and/or help design) the Wine Tasting table that runs concurrent

## *Participate in Industry Leaders Debate*

**\$20,000**  
(a la carte; included in Champion and Platinum Sponsor levels)

A main-symposium program session, this debate is an opportunity to bring a scientific member of your team that will engage in a panel discussion, highlighting your drug/s and its impact on TRM biology in front of our entire audience

- Make your case – fight for your drug! Promote it based on the underlying science.

# Program Sponsorship a la carte – Participant Enrichment

## ***Sponsor a named travel award***

**\$2,500 per award**  
(unlimited)

Travel Awards are offered to individuals to increase scientific access (often to young investigators) based on scientific merit of abstract submission – selected by symposium organizing committee. Travel award to be named after your company/name of choice, and be included on travel award presentation slideshow.

## ***Sponsor our Participant Shuttle***

**\$5,000**  
(Shuttle Sponsor)

**\$10,000**  
(Shuttle Sponsor & MC)

Approximately ~90 symposium attendees rely on the Symposium Shuttle for transportation to and from conference. Your company name and logo will be listed as providing one of three conference shuttles, including (optional) handouts of your choosing being provided to participants.

We are also offering shuttle MC opportunities where a representative from your company can present to participants on the bus during the duration of the trip (~1 hour).

## ***Sponsor an organized free-time activity***

**\$5,000**  
(quantity TBD)

The Symposium offers (optional) organized free-time activities to all participants. This includes a shuttled trip to see the famed Multnomah Falls. Other activities are also available (TBD). Your company would be acknowledged as the activity sponsor in Symposium program and announcement slides.

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