# The 2023 Precancer Atlas Research Symposium

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**8: 30 a.m.** **Sign-in & Coffee Service Begins, Poster Viewing**

**9:00 a.m.** **Symposium Opening & Welcome**
Phil Castle, PhD, MPH, National Cancer Institute

**9:15 a.m.** **Keynote Address I**

**10:15 a.m.** **Session I** (25-30 mins each)

- Sudhir Srivastava, PhD, MPH, National Cancer Institute
  *The National Precancer Atlas Effort*
- Eduardo Vilar, MD, PhD, MD Anderson
  *An Introduction to MD Anderson's Precancer Atlas Effort*
- Raghu Kalluri, MD, PhD
  *The biology of conversion of pre-cancerous lesions towards malignant disease*
- Cory Abate-Shen, PhD, Columbia University Irving Medical Center
  *Genetic Models of Preneoplasia*

**12:15 p.m.** **Lunch & Poster Viewing**

**1:00 p.m.** **Keynote Address II**

**2:00 p.m.** **Session II** (25-30 mins each)

- Ashani Weeraratna, PhD, Johns Hopkins
  *Aging, the Tumor Microenvironment and Cancer Progression*
- Ken Lau, PhD, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
  *Technology Development & Analytical Approaches to Studying Premalignancy*
- Andrew Chan, PhD, Harvard/Dana Farber Cancer Institute
  *The Use of High-Risk Cohorts in Premalignancy Research*

**3:30 p.m.** **Panel Discussion**

**4:30 p.m.** **Closing Remarks, Poster Viewing**

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