Nominate an outstanding scientist for the
Beti Thompson Cancer Health Equity Research Award

The Fred Hutch/University of Washington/Seattle Children’s Cancer Consortium (Cancer Consortium) is proud to announce the opportunity to recognize an outstanding scientist from the Consortium who has made significant contributions to cancer health equity research and the scientific understanding of the etiology, detection, diagnosis, treatment, or prevention of cancers disproportionately affecting underserved and marginalized communities. The candidate should have a published body of work in health equity, an ongoing collaboration with disparate communities, and/or a history of working with populations in the pursuit of health equity.

This award is named for Dr. Beti Thompson, a community-based participatory research practitioner at Fred Hutch, who has devoted her research career to helping underserved populations by collaborating with community partners and stakeholders to develop culturally relevant interventions that have addressed public health concerns brought forth by the community. Dr. Thompson has been an inspiration and role model for many working towards social justice for medically underserved and disadvantaged populations. Since 2018, this yearly award is given to a scientist of the Cancer Consortium who strives for inclusion to achieve the vision of a world of equity where all members benefit from the resources that are available in our society.

For the purpose of this award:

- **Public health** is concerned with protecting the safety and improving the health of a community through the promotion of healthy lifestyles, research for disease and injury prevention, and detection and control of infectious diseases.
- **Social justice** refers to challenging injustices to improve public health and well-being through work that leads to the reduction, and ultimately elimination, of health inequities.
- **Health inequities** refer to the higher burden of disease experienced by different populations based on their race, ethnicity, immigrant status, disability, sex or gender, sexual orientation, geography, income, or level of education, compared to the general population.
To nominate a scientist, you must complete the online nomination form and submit a nomination letter that provides evidence and examples about the nominee’s contributions to health equity research as follows:

1. State in your own words why you are nominating this individual for this award.
2. Summarize one to three internally or externally funded projects the nominee has led that have addressed or currently addresses health inequities.
3. List one to five publications the nominee has published in the field of health disparities/health equity.
4. Describe the type of engagement the nominee uses when engaging communities in their research.
5. Describe any of the nominee’s past or current mentorship of trainees, faculty, or leaders from community organizations.
6. If applicable, list any prior recognition the nominee has received for their health disparities research.
7. Any other comments you would like to share about the nominee that were not captured in the prior sections.

Nominees must be members of the Cancer Consortium, which includes the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, University of Washington, and Seattle Children’s. Cancer Consortium membership can be verified here: https://www.cancerconsortium.org/membership.html

Nomination materials should be assembled by the nominator and submitted as a single PDF document. Nominations can be submitted online at https://redcap.link/2023ThompsonAwards and must be received by 11:59 PM PST on Monday, March 27, 2023.

Submissions will be evaluated by a sub-committee convened by the Cancer Consortium’s Office of Community Outreach and Engagement.

The award will be presented at the Pathways to Equity Symposium on Monday, May 1, 2023. Award recipients will receive a $250 honorarium.

Questions? Please email us: enddisparities@fredhutch.org.