

Joseph Michael Tuscano, M.D.

Philosophy of Care	Dr. Tuscano believes in high quality, innovative, and compassionate care of his patients. Dr. Tuscano believes in a team-based approach to patient care, utilizing expertise of nurses, pharmacists, social workers, and consultants to provide complete care for his patients.
Clinical Interests	Dr. Tuscano's areas of specialty include the treatment of leukemia, lymphoma, MDS, and multiple myeloma. He is also a member of the adult stem cell transplant team.
Research/Academic Interests	Dr. Tuscano has both basic/translation and clinical research interests that include the development of novel antibody and other immune-based therapeutics for hematologic malignancies.
Title	Professor
Specialty	Bone Marrow Transplant, Leukemia
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Internships	Internal Medicine, UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento CA 1989-1992
Residency	Internal Medicine, UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento CA 1989-1992
Fellowships	Hematology/Oncology, National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda MD 1992-1996 Hematology/Oncology, UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento CA 1997-1998
Board Certifications	American Board of Internal Medicine, Medical Oncology

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Professional Memberships

American Association of Immunologists (AAI)
American Society of Blood and Marrow Transplantation
American Society of Clinical Oncology
American Society of Hematology
Southwest Oncology Group, Myeloma and Lymphoma Committees

Honors and Awards

Diamond Doctor award (top 1%) by UC Davis Health, 2021
Top Doctor's award by Sacramento Magazine, 2019, 2020
Distinguished Achievement Award by a California State Assembly Resolution, 2018
Certificate of Appreciation: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 2009

Select Recent Publications

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