



Infectious Diseases Division Newsletter

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Awards and Honors



Congratulations to **Adeel Butt** and his team for receiving the Employee Recognition Award at Hamad Medical Corporation, Doha, Qatar.

The project was entitled: “HMC National COVID Response Team” led by Adeel A. Butt.

The event was attended by H.E. Dr. Hanan Al Kuwari, Minister of Public Health.



Congratulations to **Kyu Rhee**, who was elected to Fellowship in the American Academy of Microbiology.



Congratulations to **Kohta Saito**, who was appointed as the Charles R. Steinberg, M.D. Clinical Scholar in Infectious Diseases, effective 2/1/2024 (and BIG thanks to Chuck Steinberg for endowing this new clinical scholar award!)



Appointments and Transitions



Farewell and congratulations to **Nell Eisenberg**, Assistant Professor of Medicine, who will be leaving WCM and joining the ID division at the University of North Carolina in the summer of 2024.



Congratulations to **Carrie Johnston**, who was elected to the ACTG Co-Morbidities Transformative Science Group.



Congratulations to **Jamie Marino**, who will join as Assistant Director of Microbiology, on July 1, 2024.





Other News



Brad Jones gave a talk on “Engaging Cellular Immunity to Cure HIV”, at WCM Medical Grand Rounds on 2/21/2024.





Other News

The Division of Infectious Diseases hosted its annual holiday party on February 6th, which was well-attended.





Other News

Additional photos from the I.D. Division holiday party:





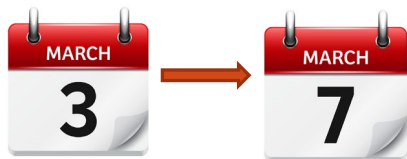
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Important Dates



CROI (Conference on
Retroviruses and Opportunistic
Infections)
Conference in Denver



I.D. Faculty Meeting
12:00PM to 1:00PM
([Zoom Link](#))



Third Annual Weill Cornell Medicine
Pulmonary Academic Day



Columbia-Cornell
HIV Research Symposium
Belfer Building Rooms: 204-A and 204-B
1PM to 4PM



Annual IDSNY Meeting
Albert Einstein College of Medicine
([Register Link](#))