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What's New In Medicine

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What's New in Medicine, the bimonthly newsletter of the Joan and Sanford I. Weill Department of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine, provides the latest updates on the department's research breakthroughs, new faculty recruits, and honors and awards.

Message from the Chair



On April 24, 2018, the NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital held opening ceremonies for the newly constructed David H. Koch Center. Located on York Avenue, the Center officially opened its doors to patients on April 30th. This elegant and state-of-the-art ambulatory care center has afforded an outstanding opportunity for the Weill Department of Medicine and our patients. Three of our department's divisions will be providing patient care in the Koch building: Hematology and Medical Oncology; Gastroenterology and Hepatology; and Integrative Medicine, a Section of General Internal Medicine.

The Division of Hematology and Medical Oncology's Breast Center has opened on the 4th floor, where it is carrying out interdisciplinary patient care with the Departments of Radiation Oncology and Surgery. The Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology has moved clinical programs in General GI, Advanced Endoscopy, and Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) to the 9th floor (where interdisciplinary care with the Department of Surgery will be available), and 11 new high-tech endoscopy suites have opened in the building. Patient care activities for the Division of Hematology and Medical Oncology and the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology are well underway. In June, Integrative Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine, will move into the building.

We owe great thanks to the administrative and physician teams in Gastroenterology and Hepatology and in Hematology and Medical Oncology who made these moves possible and ensured that patient care was up and running on the first day that the David H. Koch Center opened its doors.

Lastly, if you have not yet had the opportunity to visit the David H. Koch Center building to see it from the inside, I would encourage you to do so.

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Anthony Hollenberg, M.D.
Sanford I. Weill Chair



Paula Goldstein, Administrator, Division of Hematology and Medical Oncology (seated far right) with her administrative team.



Debbie Dimanche, Administrator, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology (standing far left) with her administrative team.

News



Dr. Leonard Receives Honorary Fellowship Award from the Weill Cornell Medical College Alumni Association

This award recognizes faculty members whose scholarship, dedication, and leadership have greatly enriched the life of the Medical College, its faculty and its students. [Read more](#)



Health Equity Symposium Attracts Distinguished Support from the Medical and Tech Communities

The symposium addressed the full spectrum of health equity, from clinical research and basic sciences, to building academic community partnerships in support of scholarly projects. [Read more](#)

News Flashes

- The WDOM congratulates Dr. Julianne Imperato-McGinley, Chief, Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism, on the renewal of her CTSC grant. Dr. Imperato-McGinley serves as the Associate Dean for Translational Research and Education and is the Director and Principal Investigator of the CTSC at Weill Cornell Medicine. In recognition of her extraordinary service and her superb work as an investigator -- with more than 25 years of NIH funding -- a celebration was held in the Griffis Faculty Club on March 1, 2018. The event was hosted by Dr. Augustine M.K. Choi, Dean, Weill Cornell Medical College, and attended by Dr. Imperato-McGinley's staff and colleagues from Weill Cornell.
- Dr. Daniel W. Fitzgerald, Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, was elected to the American Association of Physicians! The WDOM congratulates Dr. Fitzgerald on this achievement and on his outstanding work as a physician, investigator, and educator in the field of infectious diseases and global health.
- Dr. Chiti Parikh, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine, received a New York State Proclamation in honor of her outstanding work in the field of Integrative Health Medicine. The Proclamation was sent to the Weill Department of Medicine from David I. Weprin, Member of Assembly, New York State 24th District. As an Integrative Medicine practitioner, Dr. Parikh is focused on a holistic approach to care that addresses not only physical, but also psychological, social, spiritual and environmental influences on health.
- Dr. Peter Kennel, a resident in the Internal Medicine Residency Training Program, has received the Dean's Diversity and Healthcare Disparity Research Award. A special reception announcing the award was held on April 23, 2018. The WDOM congratulates Dr. Kennel on this achievement and notes that the award will help to support a research project he is working on with Dr. Parag Goyal, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine.

Research Paper Highlights

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