



# Weill Cornell Medicine

## Joan and Sanford I. Weill Department of Medicine

### 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. *To submit information for consideration for future newsletters, please contact Suzanne Ross directly at [suross@med.cornell.edu](mailto:suross@med.cornell.edu).*

## Message from the Chair



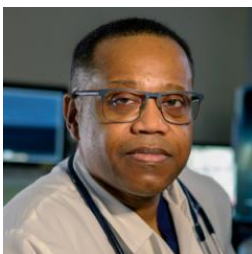
The Weill Department of Medicine is committed to providing the most outstanding educational platforms to train the next generation of physicians across all of our disciplines. The end of June and July marks a time of transition where we graduate residents and fellows and welcome a new class of interns and first year fellows. This year we are thrilled to welcome our class of 45 interns from 30 medical schools and 3 countries. They are off to a fantastic start. Additionally, 40 new fellows have joined us in our 12 WDOM Fellowship Programs from 20 U.S. residency programs.

Please go out of your way to meet all of our new trainees. We look forward to their further development here at Weill Cornell and know that they will play a seminal role in the care of our patients and in our educational environment.

*Tony*

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

## News



### **Dr. Ben-Gary Harvey Leads Successful Launch of New Bronchoscopic Lung Volume Reduction Program for Patients with Emphysema**

The treatment represents a major advancement in the management of individuals with COPD because it is the first minimally invasive procedure to help emphysema sufferers breathe better without major surgery. [Read more](#)



### **Dr. Fins Speaks at the Pontifical Academy of Sciences' Workshop Held in Vatican City**

Dr. Fins spoke on the need for a personalized approach in diagnosing and treating patients with severe brain injury. [Read more](#)



### **QUDoM Class of 2019 Graduation at Sixth Annual QIPS Poster Symposium**

The event included 30 posters from projects led by medical students, residents, fellows, attending faculty, and the Department of Nursing across seven departments on the Weill Cornell Medicine, Lower Manhattan, and NYP-Queens campuses. [Read more](#)

## **Awards & Honors**



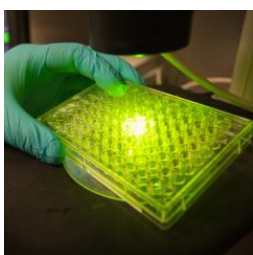
### **Dr. Peck Receives 2019 Dr. Nathan Davis International Award in Medicine**

The award honors outstanding service that represents the highest values of altruism, compassion, and dedication. Dr. Peck was recognized in the areas of medical practice, medical education, and research. [Read more](#)



### **Dr. Sara J. Czaja Honored by the Gerontological Society of America (GSA)**

Dr. Czaja has been honored with an award for her work as a co-author on the book, Designing for Older Adults: Principles and Creative Human Factors Approach. [Read more](#)



### **Weill Department of Medicine (WDOM) Announces Fund for the Future Awardees**

Five winners in the Weill Department of Medicine have been selected to receive Fund for the Future awards to pursue a wide range of breakthrough research. [Read more](#)

### **Annual Residents' Dinner Highlights Achievements and Awards**

The evening included congratulatory talks by Dr. Anthony Hollenberg, Chair, Weill Department of Medicine, and Dr. Kirana Gudi, Director of the Internal Medicine Residency Training Program. [Read more](#)



### **WDOM Celebrates Faculty Who Received Awards at Commencement 2019**

A leader in providing outstanding mentorship over many decades, the Weill Department of Medicine celebrates its faculty who received honors at Commencement 2019. [Read more](#)



### **2019 Wallis Prize for Women's Health Research Awarded at Medicine Grand Rounds**

This award was founded to encourage outstanding research in women's health. The finalists presented their work at Medicine Grand Rounds. [Read more](#)



### **The Young Investigators Award Recipients of 2019**

This award is presented annually to members of the Weill Department of Medicine below the rank of professor who perform on outstanding levels in the areas of clinical and/or basic biomedical research. [Read more](#)



### **2019 Fellow Award in Research Announced at Medicine Grand Rounds**

Initiated in 2002, the award is given to fellows within the Weill Department of Medicine who have performed outstanding research. This year's finalists were presented at Medicine Grand Rounds on June 19. [Read more](#)



### **2019 David E. Rogers Memorial Research Award Winner Announced**

The award encourages medical residents to continue their investigative research in internal medicine. Each year, senior medical residents submit research abstracts, and finalists are chosen to present their work during medical grand rounds. [Read more](#)

## **News Flashes**

- Dr. Kelly Griffin, Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine, has been appointed to serve as Director (night coverage) for the Medical Intensive Care Unit. She joined the WDOM's Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine as of July 2019.
- A congratulatory letter was sent from Martha E. Pollack, President of Cornell University, to Dr. Bishoy M. Faltas, Division of Hematology and Medical Oncology, regarding his appointment as the Gellert Family-John P. Leonard M.D. Research Scholar.
- The WDOM congratulates two of its residents, Ozan Unlu and Mark Sonnicks, on winning the only two teaching awards for house officers at the 2019 Weill Cornell Medical School commencement ceremony.

# Research Paper Highlights

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