

Fall 2018



A Nurse Shares Her UF Cancer Treatment Experience

Joanna Hammond, R.N., credits her positive outlook and treatment experience to Kathryn E. Hitchcock, M.D., Ph.D., UF College of Medicine radiation oncologist, and the department's talented team.

Radiation Oncology Marks 8th Year of Intrabeam Technology

This fall marks the eighth anniversary of the use of Intrabeam technology for breast cancer patients treated under the Multidisciplinary Breast Cancer Program at the department.



New Proton Therapy Equipment Heads to the UF Health Proton Therapy Institute

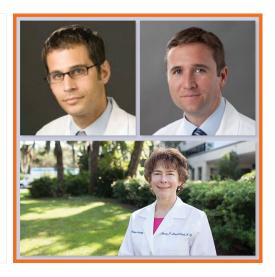
The **new cyclotron and gantry** left the IBA factory in Louvain-La-Neuve, Belgium, on September 24 and was loaded onto a ship in

Antwerp for departure October 13. The largest components of the new Proteus®ONE compact single-room proton therapy system will be housed in the 10,000-square-foot expansion, adjacent and connected to the original UF Health Proton Therapy Institute

building.

Faculty & Staff Announcements

Three outstanding faculty members have been named as 2018-19 **UF College of Medicine University Term Professors**. Dr. Brad Hoppe, UF Health Proton Therapy Institute Radiation Oncologist and Associate Professor, James E. Lockwood, Jr., Endowed Chair of Proton Therapy, Department of Radiation Oncology (*shown upper left*); Dr. Nancy Mendenhall, Medical Director of the University of Florida Health Proton Therapy Institute and Professor and Associate Chair in the Department of



Radiation Oncology; and Dr. Daniel Indelicato, UF Health Proton Therapy Institute Radiation Oncologist, Associate Professor of Radiation Oncology, and the William and Joan Mendenhall Endowed Chair of Pediatric Radiotherapy (*shown upper right*), each received the University Term Professor distinction on September 25, 2018. Read more.

Clinical Professor **Jonathan Li, PhD**, and Research Assistant Professor **Walter O'Dell**, **PhD**, have been recognized as Exemplary Teachers for 2018. Faculty are selected based on the excellence of their teaching of medical students, residents and fellows, graduate students, post-docs, as well as their mentorship of other faculty. Eligible candidates are nominated for the Exemplary Teacher Award by each department and participate in a college-wide competition to receive an incentive.

Radiation Oncology Program Coordinator **Nora Martin** was chosen to be the PC Spotlight Award recipient for Fourth Quarter 2018. Nora was recognized for "consistently exceeding expectations and improving the administration" of the Graduate Medical Education program.



Upcoming Events: The 2019 Research Seminar

Alumni, colleagues and friends are cordially invited to the **49th Radiation Oncology Research Seminar**, which will take place **February 22-23, 2019** at the Hilton University of Florida Conference

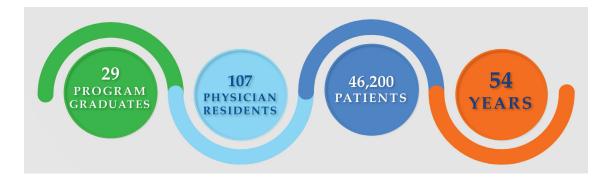


Center. The Seminar is an important venue that allows us to define optimal treatment approaches, produce the best plans, employ first-rate techniques, provide healing experiences for our patients, assess

outcomes, and develop new treatment approaches.

Topics will include: Survival outcomes after radiotherapy treatment for head and neck, breast, thyroid, skin, and genitourinary cancers; sarcomas; lymphomas; and central nervous system tumors, among other disease sites | Quality of life, and its clinical assessment, in patients who receive radiotherapy | Proton therapy techniques and outcomes in adult and pediatric tumors | Treatment toxicities, emergent patient needs, and survivorship.

Keynote Speaker will be Dr. David E. Wazer. Be a part of this special event! For hotel and registration information, contact Jessica Kirwan at 352-265-8832.



Make a Difference for Future UF Alumni

The University of Florida Department of Radiation Oncology is one of the best academic radiation oncology programs in the country. Not only are we committed to superb patient care and excellence in research, teaching, and leadership, but our teams are creating disruptive technologies and pioneering treatments with global impact.

Seed Grants, Professorships, Continuing Education and Scholarships are the building blocks of radiation oncology research and education at UF. Your involvement will help our students excel, our researchers break new ground in the treatment of disease, and our faculty and alumni to continue providing extraordinary care and service. To find out more, visit our partnership page, or contact Diane Gebhardt, 352-265-8470, dgebhard@ufl.edu, or Carré Mitchell, Senior Director of Development, 352-733-0490, csaunders@ufl.edu.

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