

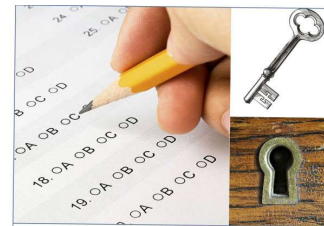


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## UFHPTI Receives Grant to Study Radiotherapy Effects on Brain Tumors, Scholastic Outcomes

Fueled by a grant from the Live Like Bella® Pediatric Cancer Research Initiative, researchers at the University of Florida Health Proton Therapy Institute will advance their work on measuring the effects of radiotherapy and brain tumors on scholastic outcome. [READ MORE](#)



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## UF Uses New Scope to Diagnose and Treat Head and Neck Cancer

Head and neck cancer is the sixth most common cancer worldwide, with approximately 630,000 new patients diagnosed each year. [READ MORE](#)



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## Study of Innovative Cancer Radiation Response Blood Test Opens at UF

While radiation is required by 70 percent of cancer patients, there is currently no reliable methodology for determining its adverse effects during treatment. A clinical study is aiming to change this. [READ MORE](#)



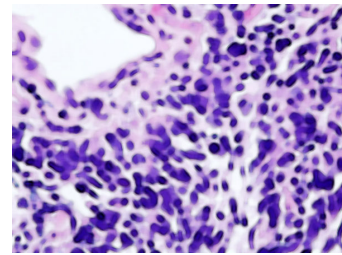
## 'Does Cancer Care Inspire Great Writing?'

To answer this question, WebMD's news outlet MedScape recently pointed to an article by Assistant Professor Kathryn E. Hitchcock, MD, PhD entitled "Knuckles." Dr. Hitchcock's timely and thoughtful essay, published in the *Journal of Clinical Oncology*, looks at bias and tolerance through the lens of the physician-patient relationship. [READ MORE](#)



## Maverick Study Examines Outcomes for Small Cell Lung Cancer Patients

The department has opened a new clinical trial aimed at testing whether the use of brain scans alone - instead of brain scans plus preventive brain radiation - affects lifespan in patients with small cell lung cancer. [READ MORE](#)



## Rodney R. Million, MD, Renowned UF Radiation Oncology Pioneer, 92

Rodney R. Million, M.D., renowned radiation oncology pioneer, Professor Emeritus, and former Chair of the UF Department of Radiation Oncology, died January 29, 2021 in Gainesville. He was 92. [READ MORE](#)



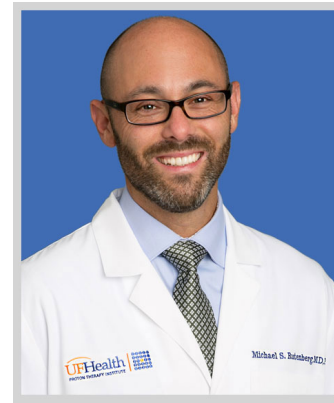
## Virtual Research Seminar Closes June 30

The 2021 Spring Seminar content highlights Include outcomes in head and neck cancer, breast cancer, pediatric cancers, and more; biomarkers of radiation toxicity; proton therapy planning techniques; clinical trials; and quality assurance. [Register to view the presentations here.](#)



## Proton Radiotherapy for Central Nervous System Tumors

Please join us for a free, virtual CME course presented by UFHPTI's Michael Rutenberg, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, entitled "Proton Radiotherapy for Central Nervous System Tumors," on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 12pm – 1pm (EST). [Register for this Zoom event here.](#)



## Save the Date: The 2022 Radiation Oncology Research Seminar

Save the date! The Radiation Oncology Research Team is already planning next year's seminar, which is expected to take place February 18-19, 2022 at the Best Western Gateway Grand, Gainesville, Florida. We hope to see you there - stay tuned.



## University of Florida News

The College of Medicine remains Florida's top-ranked medical school, and in research and primary care it stands among elite

U.S. institutions, according to the latest standings released March 30 by *U.S. News & World Report*. To browse our collection of published research by UF Radiation Oncologists, visit our [NCBI bibliography](#).

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