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RESEARCH AWARDS 2007-2008

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| PROFESSORSHIPS | Yehudit Bergman, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Genetic and Epigenetic Mechanisms Involved in Oct-3/4-Induced Malignant Transformation</i> |
| | Howard Cedar, M.D., Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Regulation of Gene Expression in Animal Cells</i> |
| | Aaron Ciechanover, M.D., D.Sc. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Aberrant Ubiquitin-Mediated Regulation of Apoptosis in Prostate Cancer</i> |
| | Avram Hershko, M.D., Ph.D. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Control of Cell Division by Ubiquitin-Mediated Protein Degradation</i> |
| | Yosef Shiloh, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>New Branches in the ATM-Mediated DNA Damage Response</i> |
| | Israel Vlodaysky, Ph.D. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Targeting Heparanase, One Molecule with Multiple Functions in Human Cancer Progression</i> |
| CLINICAL RESEARCH CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD | Itay Chowers, Ph.D. | Hadassah Medical Organization | <i>Functional Genomic Approach to Investigate Uveal Melanoma Metastases Development</i> |

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| BARBARA GOODMAN ENDOWED RCDA FOR PANCREATIC CANCER | Yuval Dor, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>The Origins and Dynamics of Pancreatic Cancer: A Mouse Modeling Approach</i> |
| RESEARCH CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARDS (RCDAs) | Eli Arama, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>A Novel Ubiquitin Pathway for the Regulation of Caspase Activation/Apoptosis in Drosophila</i> |
| | Ittai Ben-Porath, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Effects of INK4a Induction and In Vivo Senescence on Liver Regeneration and Tumorigenesis</i> |
| | Limor Broday, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>C. Elegans Model for Ubiquitin Mediated Regulation of Adhesion Dynamics</i> |
| | Haim Cohen, Ph.D. | Bar-Ilan University | <i>The Role of Ku70 and Ku86 Acetylation in Cellular Decision Between Survival and Apoptosis</i> |
| | Michael Elkin, Ph.D.* <i>(*RCDA in Pancreatic Cancer)</i> | Hadassah Medical Organization | <i>Heparanase in Pancreatic Cancer: Role in Pathogenesis and Implications for Novel Therapeutic Approaches</i> |
| | Marcelle Machluf, Ph.D. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Polymeric Delivery System for the Delivery of Endogenous Proteins – New Therapy Approach for Brain Tumor</i> |
| | Nir Osherov, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>Better Understanding and Treatment of Aspergillosis, A Major Killer of Neutropenic Cancer Patients</i> |
| | Eli Pikarsky, M.D., Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Tumor Escape from NF-κB Inhibition – A Window to Understand Tumor Progression</i> |
| | Rina Rosin-Arbesfeld, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>Functional Analysis of the APC Tumor Suppressor Protein Truncations and Restoration of Wild Type APC</i> |

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| RCDAs <i>(continued)</i> | Yaron Shav-Tal, Ph.D. | Bar-Ilan University | <i>Cyclin D1 Proto-Oncogene Promoter Control: A Kinetic Analysis of Gene Activity Using In Vivo Imaging</i> |
| POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS | Julia Adler, Ph.D.* <i>(*Kaylie Fellow)</i> | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>The Role of NAD(P)H Quinone Oxidoreductase in the Stability of Proto-Oncogene c-Fos</i> |
| | Dorit Avrahami, Ph.D.* <i>(*Kaylie Fellow)</i> | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>The Effect of Heterogeneity in Self Overexpressed Protein such as 1-8D as TAA Vaccines</i> |
| | Marganit Farago, Ph.D.* <i>(*Kaylie Fellow)</i> | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Modulation of Wnt Signaling in Apical/Basolateral Cell Polarity of Intestinal Epithelial Cells (IECs)</i> |
| | Liat Fux, Ph.D. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Enzymatic Activity-Independent Functions of Heparanase: Molecular Basis and Clinical Significance</i> |
| | Hagit Mann-Steinberg, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>Inhibition of the Angiogenic Switch of Pancreatic Cancer by Polymer Conjugates of Angiogenesis Inhibitors</i> |
| | Michal Mark-Danieli, Ph.D.* <i>(*Kaylie Fellow)</i> | Chaim Sheba Medical Center | <i>Characterization of SIL Function in Mitosis and Cancer</i> |
| | Gal Markel, Ph.D. | Chaim Sheba Medical Center | <i>Novel CEACAM1-Based Immunomodulatory Approach for Melanoma Immunotherapy</i> |
| | Eyal Zcharia, Ph.D. | Hadassah Medical Organization | <i>Human Heparanase: A Promising Target for Therapeutic Strategies in Breast Cancer</i> |
| PROJECT GRANTS | Haim Azhari, D.Sc. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Feasibility Study of Breast Tumor Characterization using Computerized Ultrasonic Mammography and Contrast Materials</i> |
| | Naama Barkai, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>MAPK Signaling Specificity</i> |

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| | Eli Canaani, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>Global Targets and Associated Proteins of the Leukemic Protein MLL/AF4</i> |
| | Ari Elson, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>Molecular Studies of the Oncogene-Dependent Roles of Tyrosine Phosphatase Epsilon in Breast Cancer</i> |
| | Abraham Fainsod, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Genetic Regulation of Cell Proliferation During Gastrulation</i> |
| | Dan Hershko, M.D. | Rambam Medical Center | <i>Role of p27 in the Proliferation and Differentiation of Human Embryonic Stem Cells</i> |
| | Atan Gross, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>The Role of BID in the Response of Cells to DSB DNA Damage</i> |
| | Yoav Henis, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>Interactions and Endocytosis of Growth-Inhibitory Receptors</i> |
| | Shai Izraeli, M.D. | Chaim Sheba Medical Center | <i>Targeting SIL in Epithelial Malignancies</i> |
| | Chaya Kalcheim, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Mechanisms of Epithelio-Mesenchymal Conversion of Neural Crest Progenitors</i> |
| | Tamar Kleinberger, Ph.D. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Study of E4orf4-Induced Apoptosis In Vivo in a Drosophila Model system</i> |
| | Martin Kupiec, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>Telomere Length Control and Genome Stability</i> |
| Ofer Mandelboim, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Tumor Development in the Absence of the NK Activating Receptor Ncr1</i> | |

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| | Hanah Margalit, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Implications of MicroRNAs in Cancer</i> |
| | Gera Neufeld, Ph.D. | Technion, Israel Institute of Technology | <i>Inhibition of VEGF Induced Tumor Angiogenesis by Disruption of Neuropilin/VEGFR-2 Complex Formation</i> |
| | Drorit Neumann, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>Immune Mediated Anti-Neoplastic Effects of Erythropoietin: Focus on Dendritic Cells</i> |
| | Ze'ev Paroush, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Phosphorylation of the Groucho Co-Repressor and its Mammalian Homologue TLE</i> |
| | Yechiel Shai, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>In Vitro and Animal Studies with Novel Cell Selective Innate-Immunity-Like Lytic Peptides against Prostate Cancer</i> |
| | Haim Werner, Ph.D. | Tel-Aviv University | <i>The Insulin-Cancer Hypothesis: Analysis of the Interactions Between Adiponectin and the IGF System</i> |
| | Eitan Yefenof, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>Deciphering the Kinases Required for Glucocorticoid-Induced Apoptosis of Leukemia Cells</i> |
| | Joel Yisraeli, Ph.D. | Hebrew University/Hadassah Medical School | <i>VICKZ Proteins in Metastatic Colon Cancer: Basic Biology and Therapeutic Approaches</i> |
| | Dov Zipori, Ph.D. | Weizmann Institute of Science | <i>Therapy of Multiple Myeloma using a Cell and Gene Therapy Approach</i> |