

# UROLOGY

AT YALE 2019

## Inside Urology at Yale

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### HIGHLIGHTS

#### NEW RESIDENT CLASS ANNOUNCED



**Amir Khan, MD**  
Emory University  
School of Medicine



**Stephanie Hanchuk, MD**  
Icahn School of Medicine  
at Mount Sinai



**Benjamin Press, MD**  
Rutgers New Jersey  
Medical School

Friday, January 18 was Match Day for Urology programs around the U.S. and we are pleased to announce the three physicians who will comprise our next class of residents: **Stephanie Hanchuk, MD**, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai; **Amir Khan, MD**, Emory University School of Medicine; and **Benjamin Press, MD**, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School.

We look forward to officially welcoming the new class this summer!

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#### UROLOGY FACULTY FEATURED IN SPACEOAR VIDEO



In October 2018, **James Yu, MD** and **Preston Sprenkle, MD** participated in the filming of a patient testimonial video for SpaceOAR Hydrogel, a biodegradable gel that serves as a spacer, protecting the rectum when a man is receiving radiation therapy to his prostate.

The video, which also features Henry, a patient who received SpaceOAR prior to his radiation therapy, was filmed in the East Rock neighborhood of New Haven as well as at Smilow Cancer Hospital. To watch the video, please [click here](#).

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## DOXIMITY VOTING OPENS THIS MONTH



Eliza Folsom.

As a reminder, Doximity voting will open this month for U.S. News & World Report's annual Best Hospital's issue. Please take a moment to login and vote for Yale New Haven Hospital for urology and/or cancer. Once registered, you can vote in the specialty area in which you are board certified. Please support the exciting research and fantastic patient care we are offering our patients each day by voting. Watch your inboxes for a reminder to vote from

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## RESIDENTS PARTICIPATE IN YOGA WELLNESS SESSION



On January 29, 11 residents participated in a one-hour yoga class held at Yale New Haven Hospital's **livingwell** Fitness Center. The class focused on helping participants connect breathing to their movements, while fluidly moving from one pose to the next, incorporating strength, flexibility and balance.

This yoga session was part of the Resident Wellness Program which launched last spring. The program is designed to equip residents with skills to develop healthy mental and physical habits and help them cope with the challenges of residency, future practice, and beyond. [Learn more >>](#)

## CBIT HEALTHCARE HACKATHON TACKLES GENOMICS AND PERSONALIZED MEDICINE

The Yale University Center for Biomedical Innovation and Technology (CBIT) held its annual healthcare hackathon over the weekend of January 25-27. This year's topic was "Genomics: The Next Frontier of Personalized Medicine" and featured four suggested tracks: Data Privacy and Research, Early Disease Detection and Screening, Health Equity, and Treatment and Decision Support.

**Peter G. Schulam, MD, PhD**, co-founder of CBIT and Chair of Urology, served as a judge. **Jodi Canapp** was part of the organizing team and also served as a Mentor and Judges Lead.



Team Hypnos Tech was victorious, taking home the grand prize for their pitch: "Sleep Deprivation Amongst Emergency Services." They plan to build an earpod that measures EEG in your ear canal, combined with auditory data, to provide a real time physical measurement and provide performance optimization for special operations and emergency services.

## KUDOS

Congratulations to the following Urology Technicians who were promoted to Urology Technician 2 (UT2):

- **Nahomie Alexandre**
- **Crystal Batson-Jones**
- **Alyssa Casertano**
- **Rita Flores**
- **Tammy Mozell**
- **Amy Swiatlon**
- **Melissa Williams**

We also extend our best wishes to **Charmaign Pe**, who passed the Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates (SUNA) Urology RN certification exam!

## PUBLICATIONS

Phase 1 study of PSMA ADC, an antibody-drug conjugate targeting prostate-specific membrane antigen, in chemotherapy-refractory prostate cancer.

Petrylak DP, Kantoff P, Vogelzang NJ, Mega A, Fleming MT, Stephenson JJ Jr, Frank R, Shore ND, Dreicer R, McClay EF, Berry WR, Agarwal M, DiPippo VA, Rotshteyn Y, Stambler N, Olson WC, Morris SA, Israel RJ.

Prostate. 2019 Jan 20.

Ex-vivo Imaging of Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma Using Novel ICG-Var3 pHLLIP Imaging Agent.  
Brito J, Golijanin B, Kott O, Moshnikova A, Mueller-Leonhard C, Gershman B, Andreev OA, Reshetnyak YK, Amin A, Golijanin D.  
Urology. 2019 Jan 16.

Bladder urothelial BK channel activity is a critical mediator for innate immune response in urinary tract infection pathogenesis.

Yeh J, Lu M, Alvarez-Lugo L, Chai TC.  
Am J Physiol Renal Physiol. 2019 Jan 16.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## CONFERENCES

**American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Genitourinary (GU) Cancers Symposium: Translating Evidence to Multidisciplinary Care**  
February 14-16, 2019 | San Francisco, California

**2019 Society of Urodynamics, Female Pelvic Medicine and Urogenital Reconstruction (SUFU) Winter Meeting**  
February 26-March 2, 2019 | Miami, Florida

**ASCO-SITC Clinical Immuno-Oncology Symposium**  
February 28-March 2, 2019 | San Francisco, California

Do you have any news, publications, or photos to share for an upcoming issue?

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