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ISRAEL'S RABIN MEDICAL CENTER IN PETACH TIKVAH, NAMED AFTER FORMER PRIME MINISTER YITZHAK RABIN, IS THE PRIDE OF ISRAEL WITH 1,000,000 PATIENTS ANNUALLY.

We have always viewed the sanctity of life as a supreme value. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin (1922-1995)

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Israel's Rabin Medical Center conducted a study at its immunologic-hematologic research lab to examine resveratrol and its effect on the prevention and delay of cancer. Their research proved that consumption of a chemical compound naturally occurring in grapes, resveratrol, has an impact on the prevention of cancerous tumors.

Rabin's doctors added varying concentrations of resveratrol to cells of large-intestine cancer, along with white blood cells responsible for immunological reaction. Several findings were recorded, including a delay in the reproduction of the tumor cells and a decrease in the secretion of cytokines, proteins responsible for immunological reaction in the body. Lowering these substances reduces inflammation and may slow tumor development. Another observation was the increased production of TNF (Tumor Necrotizing Factor), which, among other functions, fights tumor cells.

The researchers found that the scope of effect by resveratrol depended on dosage: the more highly concentrated the compound, the stronger its effect. While the research today is not yet an unequivocal medical indication for consuming a certain amount of grapes a day, it does pave the way for further studies that could lead to practical recommendations regarding grapes as a cancer preventative.

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Established in 1995, American Friends of Rabin Medical Center is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization that raises funds to support charitable, educational and scientific purposes at Rabin Medical Center in Petach Tikvah, Israel. A portion of all funds raised is used for AFRMC operations. Named after former Prime Minister Yitzak Rabin, the hospital is the pride of Israel, serving the needs of one million patients annually without regard to ethnicity, nationality or religion.

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RABIN'S EARLY MANAGEMENT CLINIC FOR GENETIC BRCA SCREENING AND RESEARCH

Rabin Medical Center's Breast Cancer Unit at its Davidoff Cancer Center accounts for one-third of the Oncology Institute's clinical load. Serving patients from all over Israel, the Breast Cancer Unit provides comprehensive care from the diagnostic stage through systemic treatment and radiation therapy. In 2016, the Unit had 10,000 visits and 500 new patients. Approximately 2% of Israeli women carry the mutated BRCA gene, which leads to an 80% chance of developing breast or ovarian cancer.

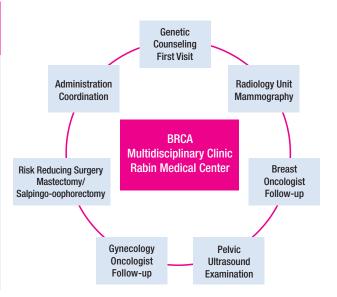
Created to serve this population, the Breast Cancer Unit's new BRCA Clinic recommends biannual visits including follow-up breast examinations, gynecological examinations and a CA-125 blood test. With a team of three oncologists, two surgeons, a gynecologist and a radiologist, the clinic serves hundreds of BRCA carriers annually. **AFRMC** is funding the BRCA Clinic in the expanded Davidoff Cancer Center and welcomes donations of any amount to support this vital project, with a total cost of \$202,357.

BREAST AND OVARIAN CANCER FACTS

FACT: The Davidoff Cancer Center at Rabin includes six units and clinics, seven departments, and will be expanded to twice its present size by 2020.

FACT: 10% of breast cancer patients carry the mutated BRCA gene, and carriers face an 80% chance of developing breast or ovarian cancer.

FACT: 10% of Israeli women with breast cancer receive treatment at Rabin's Cancer Center.



BRCA GENETIC RESEARCH DR. RINAT YERUSHALMI, CO-DIRECTOR OF RABIN'S BRCA CLINIC



"Women who carry the BRCA gene mutation have an 80% chance of developing cancer, primarily of breast and ovarian origin. Many women describe confirmation of carrier status as an overwhelming, life-changing event. Healthy individuals harboring a BRCA mutation constitute a high-risk population with unique needs, often overlooked by health authorities. As such, we felt the need to create a

specialized service dedicated to this high-risk population. The clinic staff comprises an experienced team of health professionals who can support the medical and emotional needs of this population. A multidisciplinary clinic for BRCA mutation carriers provides a 'home' for this unique population with unmet needs."





The Seventh Annual Cheryl Diamond NYC 5K Schlep Run / Walk for Breast and Ovarian Cancer, held in Battery Park on June 4, 2017, highlighted Rabin Medical Center's BRCA Clinic, which serves women at high risk for developing breast and ovarian cancers. It also funds general research at Rabin's Davidoff Cancer Center, a world-class facility for the treatment and prevention of the disease. The event was co-sponsored by American Self Storage, Altman Lighting, JCRC-NY, Israeli-American Council, the Celebrate Israel Day Parade, Central Synagogue, Congregation Emanu-El NYC, El Al Airlines, Congregation Ohab Zedek, Consulate General of Israel in NY, 14th Street Y, IDB Bank, Shiboleth LLP, Shleppers Moving & Storage, and StorageBlue. AFRMC thanks all participating teams, runners, walkers, sponsors, and donors.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE 2018 NYC 5K SCHLEP ON SUNDAY JUNE 3, 2018!



WE SCHLEP IN HONOR OF MY MOTHER VICTORIA ALTMAN By Russell Altman

In 2008, at age 53, my mother **Victoria Altman** passed away due to complications in her battle with ovarian cancer, but that is not the story I tell. Instead, I tell the story of a strong woman who was a loving mother, a dedicated wife, and one of the hardest-working people I have ever met.

My mother met my father at age 15 and together their lives would never be the same. In their 31 years of marriage, my parents spent countless hours learning the family business under the guidance of my grandparents. Even during her final days, my mother continued with her dedication to the employees and clients of Altman Lighting with an unmatched determination.

A neighbor once told my father, "A family is like a pile of stones. When you remove one stone, one of two things can happen. The pile can fall apart, or the pile can nestle together." With the loss of my mother, our family has nestled together and now we come together to walk in her honor. My mother was a shining light of strength and grace, and this is why we were proud to participate as **Team Victoria** in the NYC 5K Schlep. Ovarian cancer did not beat my mother nor define her.

Share your courageous stories of breast, ovarian, and prostate cancer. Email us at afrmc@afrmc.org or call 212-279-2522.

90 MEDICAL EXCHANGE FELLOWS IN 8 YEARS

Rabin Medical Exchange Fellows Program selects top doctors, researchers and medical practitioners from hospitals and research centers in the United States and Israel to conduct research and share expertise at their respective institutions. During their observerships in the USA, the Rabin Fellows engage in educational projects to benefit health-care, treatment, and research at Israel's premier medical center.



DR. YARON BARAC, CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY DUKE UNIVERSITY, NORTH CAROLINA

Dr. Yaron Barac is a cardiothoracic surgery specialist currently in a two-year AFRMC Rabin Medical Exchange Fellowship at the Heart and Lung Transplant and LVAD Program at Duke University Medical Center. He focuses on heart surgery, aorta surgery, and lung and cardiac assistance device transplantation.

DR. YAEL FEFERMAN, SURGICAL ONCOLOGY MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL, NEW YORK

Dr. Yael Feferman was a Jonathan and Wendy Mechanic Fried Frank Rabin Research Fellow at the Department of Surgery at Mount Sinai Hospital. Dr. Feferman's clinical research studies were chosen for podium and poster presentations for the 12th International Symposium on Regional Cancer Therapies.

DR. FELIX BENNINGER, NEUROLOGY UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Dr. Felix Benninger, a two-time AFRMC fellow, recently spent two months at the Epilepsy Center at UCLA, where he completed rounds and learned new treatment options that are not yet available in Israel. Upon his return, Dr. Benninger is working on creating an Epilepsy Monitoring Unit at Rabin Medical Center.

DR. LEOR PERL, INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY STANFORD UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Dr. Leor Perl is in a two-year AFRMC Rabin Medical Exchange Fellowship in Interventional Cardiology / Biodesign Innovation at Stanford University Medical Center. **Dr. Perl's** second year of the fellowship is a highly competitive innovation program at the Stanford Byers Center for Biodesign.

Funding Opportunities for Rabin Medical Exchange Program in the USA

1 YEAR FELLOWSHIP \$25,000 4-8 WEEKS FELLOWSHIP \$10,000 2-3 WEEKS FELLOWSHIP \$6,000

Select Rabin Medical Exchange Fellowship Sponsors

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To support Rabin Medical Exchange Fellows, please call 212-279-2522



CUTTING EDGE MEDICAL RESEARCH WHAT'S NEW WITH RABIN MEDICAL CENTER DOCTORS?

Professor Eran Sharon at Rabin Medical Center is developing a stress-reducing drug that limits metastasis of cancer cells.

Professor Ran Kornowski, chairman of the Department of Cardiology, was elected president of the Israel Heart Society.

Dr. Zohar Levi is currently researching the link between adult colorectal cancer and weight as a teen.

Dr. Amit Akirov in the Institute of Endocrinology conducted research showing that hypoglycemia doubles mortality rates.

Dr. Dania Hirsch is studying differentiated thyroid cancer with distant metastases.

Dr. Leonid Edelman was re-elected president of the World Medical Association.

Dr. Asaf Olshinka, an AFRMC Rabin Fellow, is pursuing his fellowship at Baylor College of Medicine focusing on craniofacial surgery.

Dr. Aviram Mizrachi discovered this year that nanoparticles help drugs target head and neck cancers.

Professor Yichayaou Beloosesky and Professor Abraham Weiss of Rabin's Geriatric Department are running clinical trials on polypharmacy in nursing homes. **Dr. Salomon M. Stemmer** recently published a report on the intracranial response to nivolumab in NSCLC patients at the Charles E. Trobman Oncology Data Management Center.

Support innovative research at Rabin Medical Center. Call 212-279-2522

RABIN ORTHOPEDIC DOCTORS HOSTED ANNUALLY IN LAS VEGAS



In 2011 American Friends of Rabin Medical Center launched a Medical Exchange Fellows program to sponsor doctors, researchers, and nurses from Israel's Rabin Medical Center to train at major hospitals and medical centers across the United States. AFRMC began this prestigious program by partnering with the Jewish Nevada Federation to bring one orthopedic surgeon annually to Las Vegas for training as a Rabin Fellow. **Dr. Hugh Bassewitz of Desert Orthopaedic Center** (left) hosts the fellows in this

annual training program, now entering its seventh year. The fellows learn new surgical techniques and also participate in Jewish community events and conferences.

2017-18 HOSPITALS AND CLINICS HOSTING RABIN MEDICAL EXCHANGE FELLOWS

Chicago University Medical Center (Gastroenterology)
Columbia Presbyterian of New York (Cardiology)
Stanford University Medical Center (Internal Medicine)
Texas University Medical Center (Facial Reconstruction)

CANCER AND EMERGENCY MEDICINE PROJECTS FUNDED BY AMERICAN FRIENDS OF RABIN MEDICAL CENTER



LINEAR ACCELERATORS

To administer radiation at Rabin's Davidoff Cancer Center, the **linear** accelerators are undergoing hardware and software upgrades to enable better accuracy in existing treatments as well as new treatment capabilities. **AFRMC** is funding this upgrade for \$800,000, along with further technology enhancements for these instruments.



TROBMAN ONCOLOGY DATA MANAGEMENT CENTER

The Charles E. Trobman Oncology Data Management Center was established in 1996 in memory of Charles E. Trobman by his parents **Phyllis and Malcolm Trobman** and his brother **Leslie Trobman**. Data registered at the center is used to support epidemiology studies and make predictions for annual clinical research.



UROLOGY UNIT PROSTATE ULTRASOUND SCANNER

Doctors in Rabin Medical Center's **Urology Unit** (such as **Dr. Marc Lubin**, at left) focus on the diagnosis, treatment and management of cancers of the urinary tract and male reproductive organs. **AFRMC** raises money to help support this unit, including the purchase of a new prostate ultrasound scanner for \$180,000.



NEW ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA CENTER

The new **AML Outpatient Clinic** at Rabin Medical Center, slated to open in 2020, will provide comprehensive care for patients with acute myeloid leukemia. Procedures include chemotherapy, targeted drug therapy, bone marrow biopsies and stem cell transplants. **AFRMC** is funding this clinic for \$293,055.



BRCA CARRIERS CLINIC FOR BREAST CANCER

The new **BRCA Clinic** within Rabin's Breast Cancer Unit serves hundreds of BRCA carriers annually. The clinic provides active medical surveillance as well as up-to-date information on treatment and research into the illness. **Expansion of the clinic, to be completed in 2020, costs \$202,357.**



EMERGENCY MEDICINE AND TRAUMA ULTRASOUNDS

The Jusidman Center for Emergency Medicine and Trauma, the largest and newest such facility in Israel, treats all patients regardless of their background, including patients from the West Bank and Gaza. AFRMC seeks \$120,000 to fund two new ultrasound devices and a simulation mannequin and monitor for training.

To donate please call 212-279-2522 or email afrmc@afrmc.org

VITAL PROJECTS IN CARDIOLOGY, PLASTIC SURGERY, INTENSIVE CARE, AND GASTROENTEROLOGY



PACEMAKER & SPORTS CARDIOLOGY CLINICS

Located in Rabin's Cardiology Division, the **Pacemaker Examination Clinic** and **Sports Cardiology Clinic** treat thousands of patients annually. The Pacemaker Examination Clinic provides follow-up care for patients with implanted devices, while the Sports Cardiology Clinic focuses on cardiac problems that arise during physical exercise. **AFRMC** is funding these clinics for \$50,000 each.



PLASTIC SURGERY & BURNS DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

AFRMC is funding the acquisition of \$115,000 of equipment for the Department of Plastic Surgery and Burns, including: a device to treat burn wounds, a tool for microsurgery, and a tool to harvest fat for grafting procedures. Additionally, AFRMC funds Rabin Medical Exchange Fellow Dr. Asaf Olshinka who focuses on facial reconstruction at the Texas Center for Facial Plastic Surgery at Texas Medical Center.



VISUAL ARTS IN THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

With funding from the Annenberg Foundation, Rabin Medical Center launched a new program, "Nature and Harmony in the Treatment Setting," to provide sensory stimulation for patients in the Intensive Care Unit. This program provides critically ill patients in eight ICU rooms with video projections of landscapes, complete with sound, to decrease stress and prevent post-trauma syndrome disorders.



GASTROENTEROLOGY CLINIC VIDEO IMAGING

AFRMC is funding the acquisition of equipment for the Gastro-enterology Clinic at Rabin Medical Center, at a total cost of \$107,850: an imaging system video processor and light source, a video system cable, a videocolonoscope, a videoduodenoscope, and medical monitors. Further, AFRMC also supports Rabin Medical Exchange Fellow Dr. Jacob Olech (at left), who specializes in gastro-enterology at Chicago University Medical Center.

CARDIOLOGY VITAL STATISTICS & TREATMENT AT RABIN MEDICAL CENTER

- 10% of all cardiac patients in Israel
- 35,000 annual visits to the outpatient Cardiology Clinic
- 5,000 cardiac catheterization procedures performed annually
- 4,000 patients hospitalized per year in ICCU and cardiac ward

CELEBRATING 23 YEARS OF AFRMC ACHIEVEMENTS



AFRMC'S 2016 GALA honored the American Friends of Rabin Medical Center Board of Directors and Founders at Cipriani 42nd Street NYC. The Gala celebrated the culmination of the twentieth anniversary of American Friends of Rabin Medical Center.





GOLF OUTING FOR PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS was chaired by Steve Siegel, Bobby Scheinman, and Gadi Peleg on May 15, 2017 at The Old Westbury Club on Long Island, where over thirty foursomes participated. Save the date for next year's outing on May 14, 2018!



SEVENTH ANNUAL AFRMC CHERYL DIAMOND NYC 5K SCHLEP RUN / WALK on June 4, 2017 attracted runners, walkers, and donors to publicize genetic BRCA screening for breast and ovarian cancer treatment and research. Save the date for next year's NYC 5K Schlep on Sunday June 3, 2018!



ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF NY REAL ESTATE AND FINANCE in June was hosted by the Durst Organization and cochaired by Mitchell Moinian and Spencer Pariser for 275 guests at One World Trade Center. Honoree Joanne Podell received the Deal of the Year award for the Nike Lease at 650 Fifth Avenue, NYC.

AFRMC TIMELINE



AFRMC President Ron Cohen with founders Miriam Romm and Woody Goldberg

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The Trauma Wing Dedicated to **American Friends of Rabin Medical Center**

2014

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2018

2020

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First Annual Cheryl Diamond NYC SCHLEP 5K Run / Walk

Helmsley Trust funds Rabin Transplantation Center

Jusidman ER & Trauma Center opens at Rabin Medical Center

New Transplantation Center to open at Rabin Medical Center

Davidoff Comprehensive Cancer Center expansion to be completed

EMERGENCY AND TRAUMA CENTER ON THE FRONTLINE





A 32-year-old Israeli-Arab man was wounded July 24, 2017 in Israel from a stabbing attack near Petach Tikvah's Central Bus Station. The man was rushed to Rabin Medical Center. The attacker was a 21-year-old Palestinian man who was caught and taken into custody. On July 20 a 19-year-old Palestinian terrorist fatally stabbed an Israeli father and two of his adult children in a West Bank community. The terrorist burst into the family's home as they gathered for a Shabbat dinner. He stabbed four members of the family before a neighbor, who heard the screaming, shot him. The terrorist was treated at Rabin Medical Center.

Rabin Medical Center's Jusidman Emergency and Trauma Center cares for both victims and perpetrators of terrorist attacks and other emergencies. Designated as one of only six Level 1 Trauma Centers in Israel, this unit of Rabin Medical Center treats adults and children who find themselves in life-threatening circumstances.

The Jusidman Emergency and Trauma Center includes: a Level 1 Trauma Unit Fast-Track Clinic, Triage and Admittance, Imaging Facilities, and an Emergency Care Wing for Acute Care. AFRMC is funding two new ultrasound devices, one simulation mannequin for training, and one simulation monitor for training, totaling \$120,000. Donate now to the Jusidman Emergency and Trauma Center.

RABIN MEDICAL CENTER VITAL STATISTICS

1,000,000 ANNUAL PATIENT VISITS	1,000,000	ANNUAL	PATIENT	VISITS
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170,000 ER ADMISSIONS

35,000 SURGICAL PROCEDURES

22,350 GENETICS CONSULTATIONS

10,000 BIRTHS

4,500 STAFF MEMBERS

1,300 PATIENT BEDS

1,100 HEART OPERATIONS

290 ORGAN TRANSPLANTS

120 BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTS

50 RESEARCH LABORATORIES

EMERGENCY MEDICINE DIRECTOR



Professor Michael Drescher has been at Rabin since 2016. Prior to this position, he was a senior physician and deputy manager at the

Emergency Department of Hartford Hospital in Connecticut. A specialist in emergency medicine, he has more than 50 publications in leading scientific magazines as well as prestigious international media coverage. Dr. Drescher focuses on pain, imaging, and emergency medicine manpower.

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"In Israel, a land lacking in natural resources, we learned to appreciate our greatest national advantage: our minds. Through creativity and innovation, we transformed barren deserts into flourishing fields and pioneered new frontiers in science and technology."



PRESIDENT WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON

"For two decades you've been an important partner in the Rabin Medical Center's mission to offer excellent care to all who need it. You should all be proud that the funds you raise support not just the expansion of critical facilities but a vision for compassionate care that transcends borders and beliefs."



RABBI JOSHUA ELI PLAUT, PH.D., AFRMC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

"Because of our critical help, Israel's Rabin Medical Center stands as a pillar of strength with its recently opened Emergency and Trauma Center, which handles war casualties and everyday emergencies, serving 200,000 patients annually. We must fund new emergency and burn unit medical equipment for soldiers. Thank you to all our friends."

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Provide funding for construction, renovation, or purchase of medical equipment that enables patients to receive the most advanced and comprehensive care. Naming opportunities are available for research programs, scholarships, buildings, wings, rooms, laboratories, and equipment.

FOUNDATIONS & FAMILY TRUSTS

Private and corporate foundations and family trusts support the hospital's efforts to foster the most brilliant researchers and innovative medical care in the Middle East and beyond.

JEWISH FEDERATIONS

Annual funding is awarded from Jewish Federations across the United States for specific projects at Israel's Rabin Medical Center.

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Your corporation can join the list of corporations that make annual commitments of \$5000 or more to fund the hospital. Our organization also participates in matching gift programs.

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Create a lasting legacy by naming American Friends of Rabin Medical Center in your will. Bequests are made primarily through gifts of cash, securities, personal property, and real estate.

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RABIN PALLIATIVE CARE FELLOWS AT CALVARY HOSPITAL, BRONX, NEW YORK

American Friends of Rabin Medical Center sponsored Dr. Moran Hellerman and Dr. Shai Shimony, both studying palliative care, to visit Calvary Hospital in the Bronx, New York, which is operated in connection with the Catholic Archdiocese of New York. Palliative care focuses on easing a patient's symptoms and improving quality of life, whether for a terminal disease or severe illness.



Dr. Moran Hellerman

Dr. Moran Hellerman took part in a month-long fellowship for both palliative care and internal medicine and was sponsored by **Ariel Property Advisors**. Her experience allowed her to improve the quality of life for palliative care patients at Israel's Rabin Medical Center.



Dr. Shai Shimony

Dr. Shai Shimony, also an AFRMC Rabin fellow in palliative medicine at Calvary, remarked: "My medical, mental, and social tool-box, the one I use to help my patients, is loaded with new knowledge and equipment. I am proud to say it is much heavier now."