

## The Ruth Leff Siegel Award for Excellence in Pancreatic Cancer Research

We are honored to announce a call for nominations for the fourth annual Ruth Leff Siegel Award for Excellence in Pancreatic Cancer Research. The Pancreas Center at Columbia University and The Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center have been entrusted by the Siegel family to identify the investigator who has made the most impactful contribution to the understanding and/or treatment of pancreatic cancer over the past year. The work can be in any field of pancreatic cancer research including but not limited to basic biology, population biology, public health and translational science. We are looking for an investigator who has a track record of high quality work in this field, made a seminal contribution in 2015 and is anticipated to continue contributing to our understanding of pancreatic cancer for years to come. There are no geographic, employment or academic rank restrictions for candidacy. Last year, Dr. Steven Leach was the distinguished award winner.

The selection committee will notify the successful nominee by July 15, 2016. The awardee will be expected to accept the \$50,000 cash prize at a ceremony attended by the family and friends of Ruth Siegel. In addition, it is expected that the awardee will deliver a lecture at Columbia University that highlights their work in the context of our current understanding of pancreatic cancer.

A brief nominating form is attached. If you know of a candidate whom you believe meets the criteria described above, please complete the attached form and return by mail or e-mail per the directions listed on or before **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**. We also welcome re-applicants from 2015. For any questions about this award or the nomination process please contact the Award Coordinator, Shenelle Wilson at 212.305.9467 or by email at [sw2874@cumc.columbia.edu](mailto:sw2874@cumc.columbia.edu).

### The Ruth Leff Siegel Award Selection Committee

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2016 Nomination Form**

Nominator:

Nominator Contact Information:

Mailing Address

Phone Number

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Nominee:

Nominee Contact Information:

Mailing Address

Phone Number

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Institution/Organization Affiliation:

Seminal Paper Title/Citation:

Research Significance/Summary:

Completed nomination forms and a current curriculum vitae may be scanned & emailed to the awards coordinator, Shenelle Wilson at [sw2874@cumc.columbia](mailto:sw2874@cumc.columbia) or faxed to 212.305.1571.

Nominations may also be mailed to: The Ruth Leff Siegel Award Committee  
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