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Bio

BIO

Dr. Justin Annes specializes in the treatment of hereditary endocrine disorders with particular focus on neuroendocrine-related conditions.

He developed the Stanford Endocrine Genetics Clinic in 2012 which is part of the interdisciplinary Stanford Hypertension Center and Stanford Neuroendocrine Tumor Program.

He has medical practice has focused on hereditary endocrine disease since 2008.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Pheochromocytoma and Paraganglioma
- Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia
- Hereditary Endocrine Disorders
- Endocrinology
- Diabetes and Metabolism

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Medicine - Endocrinology, Gerontology, & Metabolism
- Member, Bio-X
- Member, Cardiovascular Institute
- Member, Maternal & Child Health Research Institute (MCHRI)
- Faculty Fellow, Sarafan ChEM-H
- Member, Stanford Cancer Institute

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Stanford Cancer Center Innovation Award, Stanford University (2018)
- Stanford Diabetes Research Center, Training Outreach Program (PI), Stanford University (2017-)
- Translation Research Innovation Award, The Friedenrich BII Diabetes Fund (2016-2017)

- R01: The Role of Adenosine Kinase in Controlling Beta-Cell Regeneration, NIH NIDDK (2015-20)
- The Best of Basic Research, Endocrine Society (2014)
- Cellome Award for "Best High-Content Screening Publication in 2012", Thermo Fisher Scientific (2013)
- Hoopes Mentorship Award, Harvard University (2012)
- Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award, NIH (2009-2014)
- AOA, Delta Chapter, NYU Medical School (2004)
- Medical Scientist Training Award, NIH (1996-2002)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Medical Advisory Board Member, Pheo Para Alliance (2018 - present)
- Admissions Committee, Stanford MSTP (2013 - present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Medical Education: New York University School of Medicine (2004) NY
- Board Certification: Internal Medicine, American Board of Internal Medicine (2024)
- Residency: Childrens Hospital Harvard Medical School Medical Genetics Residency (2009) MA
- Residency: Brigham and Women's Hospital Internal Medicine Residency (2009) MA
- Internship: Brigham and Women's Hospital Internal Medicine Residency (2005) MA
- Fellowship, Brigham and Women's Hospital / Harvard Medical School , Clinical Genetics (2009)
- Residency, Brigham and Women's Hospital , Internal Medicine (2009)
- M.D., Ph.D., NYU School of Medicine , Cell Biology (2004)
- BS, Haverford College , Molecular Biology (1996)

LINKS

- Annes Laboratory: http://med.stanford.edu/annes-lab.html

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

The ANNES LABORATORY of Molecular Endocrinology: Leveraging Chemical Biology to Treat Endocrine Disorders

DIABETES

The prevalence of diabetes is increasing at a staggering rate. By the year 2050 an astounding 25% of Americans will be diabetic. The goal of my research is to uncover therapeutic strategies to stymie the ensuing diabetes epidemic. To achieve this goal we have developed a variety of innovate experimental approaches to uncover novel approaches to curing diabetes.

(1) Beta-Cell Regeneration: Diabetes results from either an absolute or relative deficiency in insulin production. Our therapeutic strategy is to stimulate the regeneration of insulin-producing beta-cells to enhance an individual’s insulin secretion capacity. We have developed a unique high-throughput chemical screening platform which we use to identify small molecules that promote beta-cell growth. This work has led to the identification of key molecular pathways (therapeutic targets) and candidate drugs that promote the growth and regeneration of islet beta-cells. Our goal is to utilize these discoveries to treat and prevent diabetes.

(2) The Metabolic Syndrome: A major cause of the diabetes epidemic is the rise in obesity which leads to a cluster of diabetes- and cardiovascular disease-related metabolic abnormalities that shorten life expectancy. These physiologic aberrations are collectively termed the Metabolic Syndrome (MS). My laboratory has developed an original in vivo screening platform t to identify novel hormones that influence the behaviors (excess caloric consumption, deficient exercise and disrupted sleep-wake cycles) and the metabolic abnormalities caused by obesity. We aim to manipulate these hormone levels to prevent the development and detrimental consequences of the MS.

HEREDIATY PARAGAGLIOMA SYNDROME

The Hereditary Paraganglioma Syndrome (hPGL) is a rare genetic cancer syndrome that is most commonly caused by a defect in mitochondrial metabolism. Our goal is to understand how altered cellular metabolism leads to the development of cancer. Although hPGL is uncommon, it serves as an excellent model for the abnormal metabolic behavior displayed by nearly all cancers. Our goal is to develop novel therapeutic strategies that target the abnormal behavior of cancer cells. In the laboratory we have developed hPGL mouse models and use high throughput chemical screening to identify the therapeutic susceptibilities that result from the abnormal metabolic behavior of cancer cells.

As a physician scientist trained in clinical genetics I have developed expertise in hereditary endocrine disorders and devoted my efforts to treating families affected by the hPGL syndrome. By leveraging our laboratory expertise in the hPGL syndrome, our care for individuals who have inherited the hPGL syndrome is at the forefront of medicine. Our goal is to translate our laboratory discoveries to the treatment of affected families.

Teaching

STANFORD ADVISEES

Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

Steven Miller

GRADUATE AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Cancer Biology (PhD Program)
- Endocrinology (Fellowship Program)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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