

RESEARCH

Since 2003, the Breast Cancer Coalition has awarded \$1,101,125 to regional researchers.

The Breast Cancer Coalition annually awards two breast cancer research grants: \$25,000 for Pre-Doctoral Trainees or Post-Doctoral Fellows and \$50,000 for Faculty Applicants. These grants fund innovative projects in Central and Western New York with the potential for significant medical breakthroughs in the prevention and cause of breast cancer, prevention of metastasis, and cure.

Our research funds come from private and corporate donations and events. Every donated dollar designated for research is spent on research. We do not subtract management or administrative fees from these funds.

Our Research Advisory Board is comprised of breast cancer survivors, scientists, researchers, and clinicians. We facilitate training of breast cancer survivor advocates to act as research proposal reviewers alongside members of our scientific community. Survivor advocates share unique perspectives and speak knowledgeably to lay audiences about new research methods.

We are the only community-based breast cancer organization in the state to undertake such an initiative.

Grants have been awarded to:

2023

- Anushka Dongre, PhD of Cornell University (\$50,000)
- Nicole Dominique Sempertegui, PhD Candidate/Student, Cornell University (\$25,000)
- Emily Campbell Whitt, PhD candidate, University of Rochester (\$25,000)

2022

- Sangwoo Park, a PhD candidate/student at Cornell University (\$25,000)

2021

- Dr. Sagar R. Shah, Cornell University (\$25,000)
- Tao Dai, Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center (\$25,000)

2020

- Dr. Isaac Harris, Assistant Professor at the University of Rochester Medical Center and Associate Member at Wilmot Cancer Center (\$50,000)
- Matthew Lee Tan, a fourth-year PhD student at Cornell University (\$25,000)

2019

- Mark David Noble, PhD, Martha M. Freeman, M.D., University of Rochester (\$50,000)
- Danielle Erin Desa, University of Rochester (\$25,000)

2018

- Scott A. Coonrod, Ph.D., Cornell University (\$50,000)
- Arash Latifkar, Cornell University (\$25,000)

2017

- Elizabeth Repasky, Ph.D., Roswell Park Cancer Institute (\$50,000)
- Michael Lukey, Ph.D., Post-Doctoral Trainee of Cornell University (\$25,000)

2016

- John Schimenti, Ph.D., Roswell Park Alliance Foundation (\$50,000)
- Sharon S. Evans, Ph.D., Roswell Park Alliance Foundation (\$50,000)

2015

- Zheniqiang Yao, M.D., University of Rochester (\$50,000)

2014

- Gokul M. Das, Ph.D., Roswell Park Cancer Institute (\$50,000)
- Helene McMurray, Ph.D. and Mark D. Noble, Ph.D., University of Rochester (\$50,000)

2013

- Ryan P. Dawes, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Rochester (\$56,125)
- Ashwani K. Sood, Ph.D., Roswell Park Cancer Institute (\$50,000)

2009

- Nicoletta Sacchi, Ph.D., Roswell Park Cancer Institute (\$40,000)

2007

- Monica Guzman, Ph.D., University of Rochester (\$40,000)
- Kelley Madden, Ph.D., University of Rochester (\$40,000)

2006

- Bendicht U. Pauli, M.S., D.V.M., Ph. D., Cornell University (\$50,000)

2005

- Keshav K. Singh, Ph.D., Roswell Park Cancer Institute (\$40,000)

2004

- Paul Okunieff, M.D., University of Rochester (\$35,000)

2003

- Mesut Muyan, DVM, Ph.D., University of Rochester (\$25,000)

The complete listing of the Coalition's Grant history research descriptions is also available on our website.