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Maria Ricci Memorial Lectureship
in Medical Oncology



Research to Clinical Practice: The Freedom of Innovation versus the Tyranny of Evidence



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For the past 31 years, Dr. Mark Levine has been an active researcher in clinical trials and health services research. His primary focus is in the areas of breast cancer, thromboembolism in malignancy, and functional imaging. The trials he has led have changed health care and influenced health policy. In 1982, he helped establish the Ontario Clinical Oncology Group (OCOG), an academic trials group located at McMaster University in Hamilton, which designs, coordinates and analyzes multicentre clinical trials in cancer. He is OCOG's current Director.

Dr. Levine has over 270 publications in peer-reviewed journals. Among his many distinctions, in 1999, he was awarded the O. Harold Warwick Prize from the National Cancer Institute of Canada and is past Chair of Health Canada's Steering Committee on Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Care and Treatment of Breast Cancer. In 2012, he was made a Fellow

of the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

Dr. Levine received his medical degree from McGill University and completed his residency in internal medicine at McMaster University where he eventually returned to obtain a master's degree in clinical epidemiology and biostatistics. He completed his training in hematology and oncology at Duke University Medical Centre, North Carolina.

Currently, Dr. Levine is Chair and Professor in the Department of Oncology at McMaster University where he holds the Buffett Taylor Chair in Breast Cancer Research. He is also the founding Scientific Director of the new Escarpment Cancer Research Institute.

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