

# Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation

## Our Mission

To accelerate breakthroughs, the Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation provides today's best young scientists with funding to pursue innovative cancer research.

## Research Programs

146 young scientists are currently being funded at 56 leading institutions in 17 states.

\$12.3 million in new awards was funded in 2013.

Since its founding in 1946, Damon Runyon has invested nearly \$270 million and funded more than 3,400 young scientists.

## Financial Information

Operating Revenue.....	\$16.2 million
<i>Donations and Income</i> .....	88.8%
<i>Drawn from Endowment</i> .....	11.2%
Expenses.....	\$16.2 million
<i>Program</i> .....	84.9%
<i>Administrative</i> .....	15.1%

Damon Runyon is fully accredited by the **Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance** and rated a **Charity Navigator Four Star Charity**, its top rating for exceptionally efficient and transparent organizations. Our low administrative costs are paid from Damon Runyon Broadway Tickets and our endowment.

**100%** of your donation funds  
cancer research.

DISCOVERING THE **TALENT**  
TO DISCOVER THE **CURE**

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In **2013**, Damon Runyon scientists and alumni discovered lifesaving new treatments and were recognized with top honors, including a Nobel Prize.

## Damon Runyon Scientists

- ▶ Discovered a potent new targeted drug for an aggressive type of non-small cell lung cancer.
- ▶ Demonstrated that FDA-approved drug Nexavar can stop advanced thyroid cancer growth, doubling survival time.
- ▶ Reported that a new combination therapy is highly effective in late-stage melanoma, halting the cancer and shrinking tumor growth in some patients.
- ▶ Successfully used patients' own T cells as a targeted immunotherapy to induce remission in advanced leukemia patients.
- ▶ Reported that epidermal growth factor can help blood cells recover after radiation, which could ultimately lead to improved post-treatment recovery.

## Awards and Honors

Former Fellow **James E. Rothman, PhD**, received the **Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine**.

Former Fellows **Stephen M. Beverley, PhD**, **Daniel A. Portnoy, PhD**, and **Robert H. Singer, PhD**, were elected to the National Academy of Sciences (the science "Hall of Fame").

Former Fellows **Helen M. Piwnica-Worms, PhD** and **Danny F. Reinberg, PhD**, were inducted into the prestigious Institute of Medicine of the National Academies.

Current Innovator **Feng Zhang, PhD**, was named to MIT Technology Review's "35 Innovators Under 35" and Popular Science's "Brilliant 10."

For additional information about the discoveries of our scientists, visit [www.damonrunyon.org/research\\_results](http://www.damonrunyon.org/research_results).