

**Joslin Diabetes Center
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C. Ronald Kahn Distinguished Lectureship

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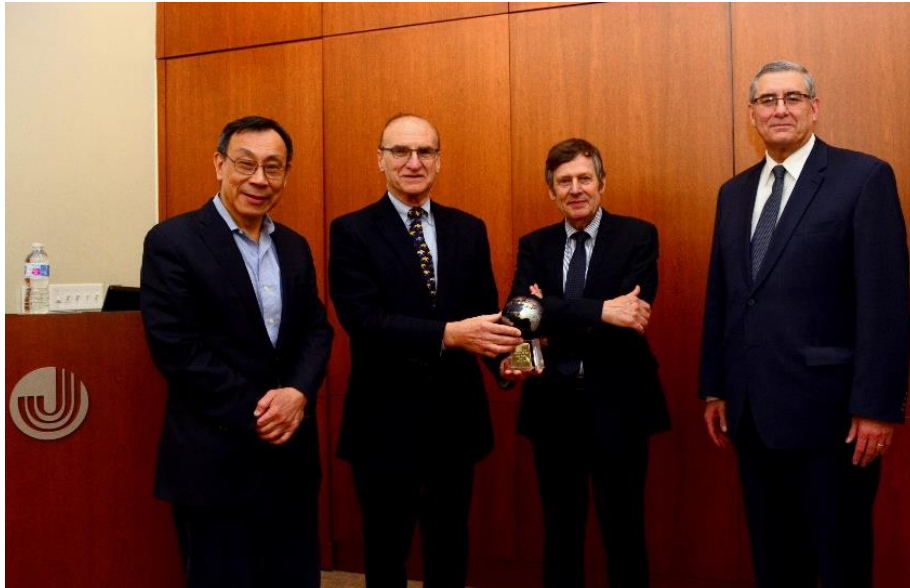
**“Noncoding RNAs in glucose
metabolism: role of their
misexpression in type 2 diabetes”**

Thursday, April 26, 2018

2:00pm – 1:00pm

Joslin Diabetes Center

Third Floor Lecture Hall



C. Ronald Kahn, MD

C. Ronald Kahn MD is a world recognized expert in diabetes and obesity and a preeminent investigator of insulin signal transduction and mechanisms of altered signaling in diabetes and metabolic disease. Dr. Kahn is currently the Chief Academic Officer, Co-Head of the Section on Integrative Physiology and Metabolism at Joslin Diabetes Center, and the Mary K. Iacocca Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Kahn served as Research Director of the Joslin Diabetes Center from 1981 to 2000, and President of Joslin from 2001 to 2007. Under his leadership, Joslin research grew more than 20-fold, and clinical and educational activity tripled.

Dr. Kahn has received more than 70 awards and honors, including election to the National Academy of Science and Institute of Medicine, Rolf Luft Award, Allyn Taylor International Prize in Medicine, Manpei Suzuki and Hamm International Awards, and the highest honors of the American Diabetes Association, EASD, Endocrine Society, and the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists. Dr. Kahn was recently selected as the recipient of the prestigious 2016 Wolf Prize in Medicine for his pioneering studies defining insulin signaling in health and disease. He has authored more than 600 original publications and 200 reviews and chapters. Dr. Kahn also served as chair of the Congressionally-established Diabetes Research Working Group, which developed the strategic plan for all federally-funded diabetes research, as well as President of the American Society of Clinical Investigation.

Dr. Kahn holds undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of Louisville and did his clinical and research training at Barnes Hospital/Washington University and the NIH. He has received honorary Doctorates from the University of Paris, University of Louisville, University of Geneva, University of Copenhagen, Louisiana State University, and Washington University in St. Louis, and is an honorary Professor and Director of the Diabetes Center at Peking University School of Medicine.

Emmanuel Van Obberghen, MD, PhD

Emmanuel Van Obberghen is an internationally recognized expert in insulin action and beta cell response. Dr. Van Obberghen received his MD (1971) and PhD (1975) from the Free University of Brussels, Belgium. From 1975 to 1980 he was research associate in the Diabetes Branch of the National Institutes of Health, where he was involved in pioneering studies of the insulin receptor and its alterations in disease. Since 1980 he has been directing one of the premier diabetes research laboratories in Europe in the Medical Faculty of Nice, France. From 1995 to 2015, he served as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the Medical Faculty, and Chief of Clinical Chemistry of the University Hospitals. He was also Vice-President of Research of the Board of Directors, and President of the Committee of Biomedical Research and Public Health of the University Hospitals from 2008 to 2015. He is currently Director of the Medical Research Department of the Medical Faculty. He has served and serves on numerous national and international scientific committees in the field of diabetes and endocrinology, and on several editorial boards of key scientific journals. He has also chaired and hosted the International Symposium on Insulin Receptors and Insulin action.

For much as his career, Dr. Van Obberghen's research has focused on the mechanisms of insulin action and the pathophysiology of insulin resistance and type 2 diabetes. His more recent work focuses on the role of microRNAs as regulators of insulin secretion and action. As a result of his many scientific contributions, Dr. Van Obberghen has been recognized by major international awards including the Silver and Gold Morgagni Medals, the Jacobaeus Lecture Award of the NovoNordisk Foundation, the Minkowski and Claude Bernard Award of the EASD (the highest awards of the EASD for research), and the Paul Langerhans Medal of the German Diabetes Society.
