

EINSTEIN CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

HIGHLIGHTING HOW INDIVIDUALS AT EINSTEIN OF HISPANIC HERITAGE
CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CAMPUS AND GREATER COMMUNITY!



MARY J. DOMINGUEZ, M.D.

Assistant Professor, Medicine
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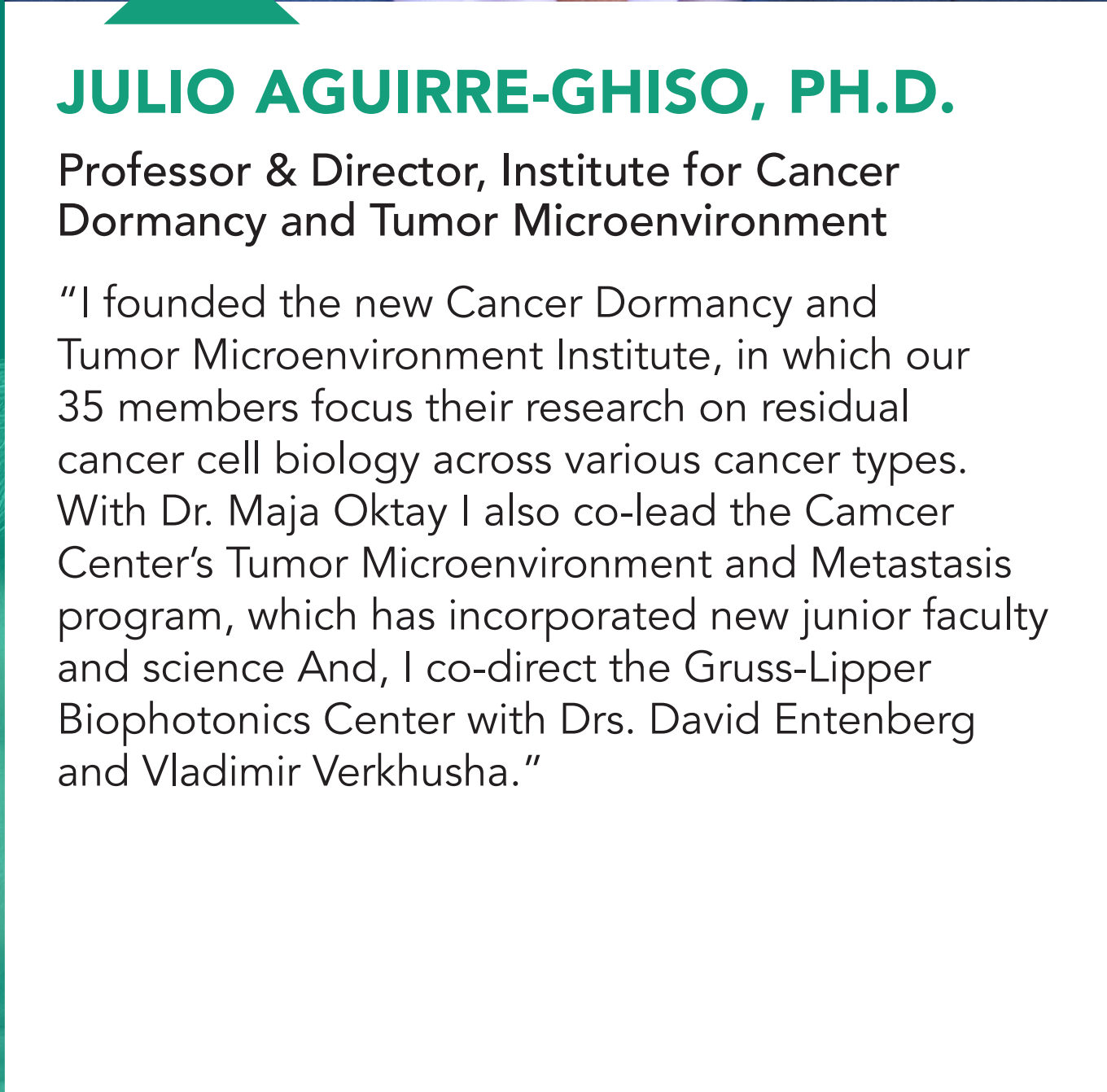
“Through Montefiore outreach clinics in Washington Heights and the South Bronx, I provide high-quality care to a large population of Hispanic patients who have chronic kidney disease. My goal is to improve kidney disease management through patient education, multidisciplinary care with other specialists, and early referral for kidney transplant evaluation.”



COOKIE MARIE KURTZ

Director, Creative Services

“At Einstein, I take every opportunity to promote the Einstein brand, offer creative solutions, and ‘be of service.’ I’ve helped to introduce digital asset management and strive to stay current with the ever-changing technologies used within the creative services field. Among my most rewarding accomplishments at Einstein are being a member of the commencement team and being awarded both the Manny Genn Prize and the Einstein recognition award for Innovation & Distinguished Service. At this year’s commencement in Carnegie Hall, I also was privileged to have the special experience of being the first female to sing the national anthem at an Einstein graduation ceremony.”



JULIO AGUIRRE-GHISO, PH.D.

Professor & Director, Institute for Cancer
Dormancy and Tumor Microenvironment

“I founded the new Cancer Dormancy and Tumor Microenvironment Institute, in which our 35 members focus their research on residual cancer cell biology across various cancer types. With Dr. Maja Oktay I also co-lead the Camcer Center’s Tumor Microenvironment and Metastasis program, which has incorporated new junior faculty and science And, I co-direct the Gruss-Lipper Biophotonics Center with Drs. David Entenberg and Vladimir Verkhusha.”



JOSE PENA, M.D., PH.D.

Professor, Dominick P. Purpura Department
of Neuroscience

“I’ve developed research on brain mechanisms driving optimal sound localizing perception and behavior in barn owls. More recently, I tested hypotheses in humans, in collaboration with my colleague Elyse Sussmann’s lab. I’ve also been a faculty representative of Einstein’s Quality of Life committee since 2007. Recently, I was elected a member of the board of directors of the ALBA Network whose aim is to promote diversity and inclusion in brain science. I also contributed to a publication about current issues faced by members of the Latin American neuroscience community.”



**LATINO MEDICAL STUDENT
ASSOCIATION (LMSA)**

The goal of Einstein’s LMSA is to further Latinx representation and inclusion in the healthcare field so we may bring awareness of critical issues affecting the health of Hispanic, Latinx, and marginalized communities while also advocating for equitable and accessible healthcare.

From the bottom row left: Diana Dominguez Garcia, Natalie Tan, Luna Maria Paredes
From top row left: Justin Olivera, Stacey Franco, Nitza Granados, Diego Zamata Ovalle

