The Eleventh Irving L. Schwartz Lectureship

In Structural & Chemical Biology

Kevan Shokat, Ph.D. Professor and Chairman of Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology, University of California, San Francisco Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute

"Using Insights from Chemical Genetics to Design New Therapeutics for the Treatment of Cancer"

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Reception to follow the lecture

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## **Irving L. Schwartz, M.D.** (1918 – 2011)

Dr. Schwartz was the first Dean of the Mount Sinai Graduate School of Biological Sciences from 1965 to 1980 when he became Dean Emeritus. He was also the founding chairman of the Department of Physiology

and Biophysics (currently the Department of Structural and Chemical Biology) and the Lamport Distinguished Professor until his retirement in 1989.

Under Dr. Schwartz's early leadership, Mount Sinai grew as a center of excellence in translational research. He believed in the "vital interdisciplinary interactions among clinicians, basic scientists, medical students, and graduate students within one institution". Dr. Schwartz's interests in biomedical research and education were far reaching, addressing fundamental problems of body fluid regulation, secretory phenomena and neurophysiology. His work, originally in whole animal and organ physiology, evolved over the years to the cellular level, and ultimately to the molecular level. He had a major interest in the function of neurohypophyseal and other peptides. His studies on peptides ranged from bedside observations, to biochemical mechanisms of action, to the definition of threedimensional structure of such molecules in solution as well as in the crystalline state. The work of his group on the molecular conformation of hormones in solution pioneered structure-function analysis based on the tertiary structure of molecules.

### Kevan Shokat, Ph.D.



Dr. Shokat is one of the leading investigators in the field of chemical genetics. His research focuses on the development of novel chemically based tools to decipher signal transduction pathways on a genome-wide scale. He has developed a method

for producing small molecules that are specific for a particular target in a signaling cascade by combining protein design and chemical synthesis. Professor Shokat received his Ph.D. in 1991 from UC Berkeley and completed postdoctoral work at Stanford in 1994 when he moved to Princeton University as an Assistant Professor of Chemistry. In 1999, he relocated to the Bay Area where he is Professor and Chairman of the Department of Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology at UC San Francisco and Professor of Chemistry at UC Berkeley. In 2005 he became an investigator with Howard Hughes Medical Institute. In 2010, he was inducted into the National Academy of Sciences and the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Science. In 2011, he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

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#### IRVING L. SCHWARTZ

Scientist, scholar, teacher, physician

A supporter of excellence in research and teaching and a source of encouragement and inspiration to his colleagues and students.

#### Previous Schwartz Lecturers

1993	Albert J. Hudspeth, M.D., Ph.D. University of Texas- Southwestern Medical Center
1995	Charles F. Stevens, M.D., Ph.D. The Salk Institute
1998	Wayne L. Hubbell, M.D., Ph.D. University of California at Los Angeles
2000	Richard N. Bergman, Ph.D. University of Southern California
2005	Stephen C. Harrison, Ph.D. Harvard Medical School
2006	Roger D. Kornberg, Ph.D.* Stanford University * The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2006
2007	Kurt Wüthrich, Ph.D.* The ETH Zürich The Scripps Research Institute * The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2002
2008	Stuart L. Schreiber, Ph.D. Harvard University The Broad Institute of Harvard & MIT Howard Hughes Medical Institute
2009	Michael G. Rosenfeld, M.D. University of California, San Diego Howard Hughes Medical Institute
2010	Klaus Schulten, Ph.D. University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign