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## The T.J. Martell Foundation Awards the Clive Davis Research Fellow Award to the City of Hope and Announces the Appointment of Dr. Randolph Martin, M.D. to the Scientific Advisory Committee

**New York, New York - (November 28, 2017)** – The T.J. Martell Foundation for Cancer Research has awarded the Clive Davis Research Fellow Award to the City of Hope and has also announced the appointment of Dr. Randolph Martin, M.D., FACC, FASE, FESC to the Scientific Advisory Committee.

The T.J. Martell Foundation for Cancer Research awarded the Clive Davis Research Fellow Award to the City of Hope for Non-Cell Lung Cancer Research in African-American women. The Clive Davis Research Fellowship Award is a permanent grant bearing the five-time Grammy winner's name that is awarded to a scientist or professional medical organization undertaking

substantial early-stage work aimed at finding a cure for cancer at one of the T.J. Martell Foundation's funded institutions.



For decades, Clive Davis – the iconic music producer and executive who steered some of the world's biggest superstars to musical success – has supported the Foundation, which has been responsible for saving thousands of lives as a result of

their innovative research and medical treatments in the fight against cancer.

Lung cancer is the second most common cancer in African-American men and women, with an estimated 24,730 newly diagnosed cases in 2016. City of Hope, the recipient of this award, is a world-renowned independent research and treatment center for cancer and diabetes located in Duarte, California. The center has a network of clinical practice locations throughout Southern California.

The Clive Davis Research Fellow Award grant to City of Hope will support the overall objective of the study to determine the non-small cell lung cancer in postmenopausal African-American women based on data from the WHI Observational Study (WHIOS) and Clinical Trials (CTs).

The City of Hope hypothesizes that African-American women using estrogen plus progestin diagnosed with non-small cell lung cancer will have worse outcomes than white women. The research aims to examine lung cancer risk and mortality among African-American women and the relationship between smoking status. It will also aim to compare lung cancer risk and mortality in white women and African-American women participating in randomized CT and WHIOs. The collaborators, Dr. Idoroenyi Gupta R.



Amanam, M.D., Fellow, Department of Medical Oncology & Therapeutic Research, City of Hope and Ravi Salgia, M.D., Ph.D., Professor and Chair, Department of Medical Oncology & Therapeutic Research will be working together on the proposed study. In addition, Dr. Amanam and Dr. Salgia will collaborate with John Heymach, M.D., Ph.D., Chair, Department of Thoracic /Head and Neck Medical Oncology at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, whose lung cancer research has been funded by The T.J. Martell Foundation.

"I am thrilled that the Foundation has recognized two outstanding City of Hope researchers who are pushing the boundaries of science," said City of Hope President and CEO Robert Stone. "Every new insight and innovation helps us bring tomorrow's discoveries to the people who need them today."

Dr. Randolph Martin, M.D., is a renowned cardiologist and a prolific academician. He is one of the pioneers in the field of Noninvasive Cardiology, using ultrasound – echocardiography – to diagnose cardiovascular conditions. He is based in Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Martin attended Emory University School of Medicine and went on to do training in Internal



Medicine and Cardiology at Stanford University Medical Center. He then went on to hold faculty positions and clinical staff positions at Stanford University, the University of Virginia and the Mayo Medical School and Mayo Clinic, in Rochester, Minnesota where he was a Consultative Cardiologist, as well as Associate Professor of Medicine.

In 1989, Dr. Martin returned to Atlanta and to Emory University School of Medicine and The Emory Clinic to

become Professor of Medicine and Director of Noninvasive Cardiology – a position he held up until September 2009.

During his tenure at Emory, he served as Associate Dean of the School of Medicine and Associate Director of The Emory Clinic. In September 2009, Dr. Martin received the academic appointment of Professor Emeritus of Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine, after he joined Piedmont Heart Institute as Medical Director of Cardiovascular Imaging and Chief of Structural and Valvular Heart Disease. In addition, in 2012, he was also appointed Physician Principal Advisor, Educational Programs, Marcus Heart Valve Center, a position he held until January, 2017.

Dr. Martin has been published in over 195 publications including peer-to-peer reviewed journals, textbooks and a number of teaching CDs and DVDs. He currently continues to serve on editorial boards of some of the most prestigious cardiovascular journals. He is the Past President of the American Society of Echocardiography, the second largest group of cardiovascular specialists in the world.

For 21 years, Dr. Martin also served as Host/Moderator of the world's largest professional medical satellite tele-education program, "Echo in Context." He also served as Host of the American College of Cardiology's TV production for their annual Scientific Sessions. Dr. Martin, in conjunction with Dr. David Adams, has moderated and produced in-depth video coverage and interviews of the world's leading Cardiac Surgeons at the Mitral Concave – a meeting held every other year where 1200 Cardiac Surgeons meet to discuss the latest advances in Valvular Heart Disease. For 15 years he served as the sole Medical Correspondent for Cox Communications affiliate – WSB-TV in Atlanta. He won the American Heart Association Howard L. Lewis Lifetime Achievement Award for Health Reporting, is the recipient of three Emmy Award nominations and has been awarded several other broadcast awards. He also won the 2015 Telly Award, in conjunction with Nucleus Medical Media and Share WIK.

In partnership with Piedmont Healthcare, Dr. Martin launched HealthWatchMD.com in 2011. This venture expanded his audience and disseminates up-to-the-minute health news to the Atlanta community and beyond.

Dr. Randolph Martin, M.D. is a fellow of both the American College of Cardiology and the American Society of Echocardiography. His previous awards include being elected to "Best Doctors in the United States," "Best Doctors in Atlanta," and "Who's Who." In 2007, he was honored by fellow colleagues with the International Service and Scholarship Award, presented by the European Society of Echocardiography and the Leadership Award from the Japanese Society of Echocardiography. In 2010, he was elected to the Fellowship in the European Society of Cardiology (FESC). The National Marfan Association presented Dr. Martin with the prestigious "Hero with a Heart" Award in November, 2010. He currently serves the Atlanta Community on the Boards of the Atlanta Humane Society and HEAL, Inc. while also volunteering to read echocardiograms for the Healing Community Center.

"We are proud that we are the music industry's leading foundation that funds innovative medical research and are confident that the investigators at the City of Hope are moving the needle in the fight against this deadly disease," said Joel A. Katz, Chairman of the T.J. Martell Foundation Board of Trustees. "Randy is a pioneer in his field, and we are excited to welcome him to the Scientific Advisory Committee," he continued. "We believe his wealth of experience and expertise will be a tremendous asset to our foundation."

## **ABOUT CITY OF HOPE**

City of Hope is an independent research and treatment center for cancer, diabetes and other life-threatening diseases. Designated as one of only 49 comprehensive cancer centers, the highest recognition bestowed by the National Cancer Institute, City of Hope is also a founding member of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, with research and treatment protocols that advance care throughout the world. City of Hope is located in Duarte, California just Northeast of Los Angeles, with community clinics throughout Southern California. It is ranked as one of "America's Best Hospitals" in cancer by U.S. News & World Report. Founded in 1913, City of Hope is a pioneer in the fields of bone marrow transplantation, diabetes and numerous breakthrough cancer drugs based on technology developed at the institution. For more information about City of Hope go to <a href="https://www.cityofhope.org">https://www.cityofhope.org</a>.

## ABOUT THE T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION

The T.J. Martell Foundation is the music industry's leading foundation that funds innovative medical research focused on finding treatments and cures for cancer. The Foundation was founded in 1975 by music industry executive Tony Martell and his colleagues in loving memory of his son T.J., who died of leukemia. The Foundation has provided more than \$280 million for research at seven flagship hospitals in the United States. For more information on the T.J. Martell Foundation visit www.tjmartell.org.

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