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Claudia López, Ph.D., manager of OHSU’s Multiscale Microscopy Core, uses the Titan Krios cryo-transmission electron microscope to view breast cancer cells.
This petri dish holds small support grids containing breast cancer cells. The new Titan electron microscope (pictured on the cover) allows researchers to view cells at a million times magnification, revealing never-before-seen structures in cancer cells.

In the late 1600s, when Antony van Leeuwenhoek decided to examine the plaque between his teeth under his homemade microscope, he discovered what he described as “little living animalcules, very prettily a-moving” – organisms we now call bacteria. This unexpected insight upended the conventional wisdom of the time and led to countless improvements in human health.

Today, OHSU scientists are using state-of-the-art imaging equipment and techniques to illuminate everything from hidden brain cells to early breast cancer, lighting the path to new understanding and new cures.

Imaging technology may be revolutionizing biomedical science, but funding is a constant challenge.

“While our researchers are able to bring in highly competitive federal grants, this funding does not cover the costs of imaging equipment itself, nor the expert staff who make its use possible,” said Dan Dorsa, Ph.D., OHSU’s senior vice president for research. “Philanthropic dollars have been essential to our ability to maintain and expand our cutting-edge imaging capabilities.”

Private philanthropy has allowed OHSU to assemble some of the world’s most advanced imaging equipment and teams. At OHSU’s Center for Spatial Systems Biomedicine, for example, Joe Gray, Ph.D., and his team are using powerful, one-of-a-kind electron microscopes to study how cancer cells change over time and location in the body. They will use what they learn to create cancer treatments that work faster and help people stay cancer-free for longer.

The microscopes (including the Titan, pictured on the cover) were furnished to OHSU through an innovative research alliance with Hillsboro-based manufacturer FEI. The collaboration is helping the Gray team understand the structure of cancer cells. Philanthropic investment from the W. M. Keck Foundation, the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, and Phil and Penny Knight, among others, made it possible to advance the OHSU-FEI collaboration. Their support also helped to give the sensitive microscopes a new home: a highly-specialized, vibration-free lab in the basement of the new OHSU/OUS Collaborative Life Sciences Building that opened in June.

“Our new imaging techniques are allowing us to measure features in cells we haven’t seen before. It’s prompting us to ask entirely new kinds of questions and to think differently about new approaches to cancer treatment,” said Dr. Gray.

No doubt Leeuwenhoek felt the same way, confronted with the lively “animalcules.”

Philanthropy is helping OHSU to create an environment in which innovators like Dr. Gray have the resources they need to ask “new kinds of questions” in the service of improving human health. The following are but a few of the fascinating examples of what’s possible when creative thinkers can use powerful technology to reveal what was once hidden from view.
Magnets expose multiple sclerosis
At OHSU’s Advanced Imaging Research Center (AIRC), scientists are using powerful magnetic resonance imaging equipment to find more sensitive ways to test potential cures for multiple sclerosis. Researchers Dennis Bourdette, M.D., F.A.A.N., Manoj Sammi, Ph.D., and William Rooney, Ph.D., used imaging technology to test the idea that part of what causes MS is a failure of energy production in the brain cells, which produces a deficit of the chemical adenosine triphosphate (ATP). Using OHSU’s 7-Tesla MRI scanner, they were able to compare the ATP levels in brains of healthy patients and those with advanced MS. Their theory was correct: People with MS had 20 percent less ATP. They are now pursuing potential treatments that would boost levels of ATP and energy production within brain cells. The AIRC’s capabilities would not be possible without philanthropic support from the W. M. Keck Foundation and a host of individual donors.

Light waves uncover eye disease
In 1990, OHSU’s David Huang, M.D., Ph.D., co-invented an imaging tool called optical coherence tomography (OCT), which has been heralded as the most important diagnostic advance in ophthalmology in more than 100 years.

OCT is a non-invasive test that uses light waves to take cross-section pictures with micron resolution. Ophthalmologists around the world use OCT to image the retina, the light-sensitive tissue lining the back of the eye. It is essential for managing patients with the most common causes of vision loss: glaucoma, macular degeneration and diabetes. Dr. Huang, a professor of ophthalmology at OHSU Casey Eye Institute, along with several of his colleagues, received the 2012 Champalimaud Vision Award, the largest prize in ophthalmology, for the invention. Dr. Huang is now developing new applications of this remarkable technology, such as imaging blood flow in fine vessels within the eye – a first step to earlier diagnosis of blinding eye diseases. This work received significant support from the Champalimaud Foundation.

Microbubbles hone in on heart disease
By injecting tiny bubbles into a heart patient’s artery and then watching the bubbles’ progress on an ultrasound machine, doctors can see how fast blood is circulating and even defects in the heart. Known as microbubble-based myocardial contrast echocardiography (MCE), the procedure was pioneered by Sanjiv Kaul, M.D., co-director of the OHSU Knight Cardiovascular Institute and Ernest C. Swigert Distinguished Professor of Cardiology. MCE represents a major advance in imaging as it allows doctors to detect heart attacks that other methods (like electrocardiograms) often miss. Dr. Kaul developed the procedure over two decades of research. He expects the technology to lead to earlier detection and better treatment of heart conditions. Philanthropists Phil and Penny Knight, Hank Swigert, Ralph Quinsey, John Elorriaga and many others made this research possible.

Imaging offers new hope for brain-injured preemies
Stephen A. Back, M.D., Ph.D., the Clyde and Ella Munson Professor of Pediatric Research, made a startling discovery that offers new hope for the most vulnerable patients of all – premature infants.

Babies born too soon are at high risk of brain injury, due to low blood and oxygen flow to their brains. Doctors once assumed that any damage to the developing brain was permanent. But now, thanks to powerful magnetic resonance imaging technology, Back’s team has disproven that assumption. What they found by looking at the brains of premature sheep was that their brain cells were immature – but not gone. Dr. Back’s discovery has led to an exciting new line of inquiry: how to help brain cells fully mature. “We now have a much more hopeful scenario,” said Back.
Metabolic activity reveals cancer’s progress

AIRC researchers Charles Springer, Ph.D., William Rooney, Ph.D., Xin Li, Ph.D. and Wei Huang, Ph.D., are the first in the world to use a technique called dynamic contrast-enhanced (DCE) MRI to measure the speed of a vital metabolic process taking place inside cells in a living human body. This revolutionary method allows researchers to measure how frequently water cycles across a cancer cell membrane, which in turn reveals how fast a cancerous tumor is progressing inside an individual patient. The method also helps determine if the cells are benign or malignant and allows doctors and patients to make better decisions about whether an invasive procedure like a biopsy is truly needed. This technique has shown success with breast, prostate and brain cancers and shows promise for early diagnosis of multiple sclerosis and heart disease. This discovery was made possible by support from the Oregon Opportunity campaign and the W. M. Keck Foundation.

These images, taken from an MRI of a breast cancer patient, show how frequently water cycles across breast cancer cell membranes. Being able to see this metabolic process in action allows researchers to track how fast a cancer cell is growing.

Cancer has met its match

Supporters of all ages from across the U.S. are rising to the Knight Cancer Challenge
Phil and Penny Knight knew what they were doing when they offered up the impossible-sounding prize we now call the Knight Cancer Challenge ($500 million if OHSU can raise an additional $500 million in two years). Galvanized by OHSU’s vision to end cancer as we know it and spurred by a new sense of urgency, 5,600 people from all over the nation have already stepped up to be part of this historic campaign. As of this printing, OHSU has raised just over $312 million, including $200 million in state funding from the Oregon legislature.

“This is the most ambitious fundraising campaign the philanthropic community has ever seen, and it is inspiring Oregon donors to do more than ever,” said L. Keith Todd, president of the OHSU Foundation. “Just two months after the announcement, the Oregon Community Foundation donated $1 million – the largest directed gift in its 40-year history. That’s just one example of hundreds of wonderfully inspired gifts.”

With just a year and a half to go, OHSU will need help from both loyal supporters and those who have never donated before – or even heard of us. Enter world-famous ad agency Wieden + Kennedy. It has already donated hundreds of hours of creative brainpower to the advertising campaign that is introducing OHSU to a national audience. See the sidebar on page 7 for details on the OneDown campaign that launched in May.

Why does OHSU need to raise $1 billion? To create an environment where the best minds can work together to tackle the biggest challenge in cancer research today: finding smarter, more reliable ways to detect the most lethal cancers early, before they become deadly. OHSU will bring together 20 to 30 of the world’s leading scientific teams and free them from distractions (like grant writing) so they can go after cancer as aggressively as it comes after us. Revolutionizing early detection means patients will live longer and suffer less.

“This $1 billion cancer program will allow OHSU to serve Oregonians – and cancer patients around the world – in ways that would not have been possible, otherwise. We are immensely grateful for the outpouring of support,” said OHSU President Joe Robertson, M.D., M.B.A.

ARE YOU IN?
Please consider participating in the Knight Cancer Challenge if you haven’t done so already. Our team would be happy to talk you through all the possible ways to donate – from multi-year pledges to gifts of assets. You can also help keep the momentum going by holding your own fundraiser, sharing your story on social media, and connecting us with others who may be interested. This is our big chance. We’ve got less than two years. Together, we can make cancer the victim.

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For more information call 503 228-1730; 800 462-6608 or email supporttheknight@ohsu.edu.

Genevieve Olson Rocha, age 8, raised $710 in support of the Knight Cancer Challenge by making and selling rainbow bracelets in honor of her grandfather Dino Rocha who is undergoing cancer treatment at OHSU.

Genevieve’s family hadn’t heard about the Knight Cancer Challenge when Genevieve started her fundraiser, but Dino Rocha mentioned Genevieve’s project to an OHSU nurse and joked, “Now we just need to find a rich guy to match the gift.” That’s when he learned about Phil and Penny Knight’s Challenge and, as luck would have it, there really was a guy to match the gift. Genevieve knows who Phil Knight is and is “super excited” that her gift will count toward the challenge.

“Sheila and I wanted to help OHSU to bring in the country’s top researchers to work together on breakthrough science in cancer.” – Ross Lienhart

Sheila Edwards-Lienhart was diagnosed with colon cancer at age 49 and passed away 10 years later when the cancer spread to her liver. She came to OHSU at the end of her cancer journey, where she received excellent care from Frederick Keller, M.D., and others at the Knight Cancer Institute. When OHSU announced the Knight Cancer Challenge, Sheila was very excited about the promise she saw in the work of Brian Druker, M.D. She and her husband, Ross Lienhart, decided to make a seven-figure gift to the challenge, to support research into more targeted therapies that help patients avoid chemotherapy.
Paxson Offield’s family foundation was already an essential supporter of Dr. Brian Druker’s cancer research – it has donated $550,000 in the last two years. With the announcement of the Knight Cancer Challenge, Offield saw a new opportunity to advance research on acute myeloid leukemia (AML).

“There is no better institution for the care of a person with leukemia than the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute, and I can speak to that first hand,” said Offield. “I have no doubt in my mind that the best chance to cure AML and all blood cancers will come from Dr. Druker and the team he has established at the Knight Cancer Institute.”

It should come as no surprise that the company co-founded by Phil Knight would become an active supporter of the Knight Cancer Challenge. In February, Nike employees launched the Nike Meet Cancer Supper Club, a simple fundraising drive that is uniting the global Nike community from Beaverton to Brazil. Intel Corporation, which has long collaborated with OHSU on research and healthcare technology advances, has pledged to donate nearly $2 million worth of equipment, technology and personnel services. At Hoffman Construction Company, president Wayne Drinkward challenged employee-shareholders to raise $250,000 for OHSU’s effort, to be matched by the company. Drinkward personally promised $500,000 to match employee giving. Collectively, the Hoffman team exceeded their target, donating a total of $1,446,328.

Inspired by Hoffman Construction’s successful effort, Willamette Dental Group will launch its own employee giving campaign in the fall. The campaign’s goal is to raise $250,000 in contributions from employees, matched by $250,000 from Willamette Dental Group and further matched by $500,000 from company founder Eugene Skourtes, D.M.D., and his wife Bonnie. The Skourtes are long-time supporters of the OHSU School of Dentistry. The Standard has dedicated its annual employee giving campaign to the challenge and has pledged to match employee donations two to one.
Knight Challenge Gifts to Date

The following list reflects gifts of $100,000 or more in support of cancer research and care made before June 27, 2014. The list includes a combination of current gifts, pledges, bequests and other planned gifts that count toward the Knight Cancer Challenge. We have made every effort to compile an accurate list of donors and offer our apologies for any omissions. If you notice any errors, please bring them to our attention at ohsufinfo@ohsu.edu.

$10 Million +
Tim & Mary Boyle  
Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Brenden and the Colson Family Foundation  
Anonymous

$5 Million – $9.99 Million
Brian R. & Elizabeth B. Cook  
The Charles Engelhard Foundation  
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
Paxson & Susan Offield

$1 Million – $4.99 Million
JoAnn D. Albers  
Sophie & Derek Craighead  
Wayne &Julie Drinkward & Hoffman Construction Company  
William B. & Karen L. Early  
Doug & Lila Goodman, Mark & Christi Goodman, Greg Goodman & Susan Schnitzer  
Intel Corporation  
Bruce & Marlene Lassen  
Julie & Eric Leuvrey and Barbara & Randy Lovre  
Ross M. Lienhart and the late Sheila Edwards-Lienhart  
Joanne M. Lilley  
Fran J. Matson  
NIKE, Inc.  
The Oregon Community Foundation  
Eric & Janet Parsons  
Prospect Creek Foundation and the Schwab Charitable Trust, Martha and Bruce Atwater Fund  
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The Gordon D. Sondland and Katherine J. Durant Foundation  
Keith & Julie Thomson  
Anonymous

$500,000 – $999,999
Don Frisbee  
William C. Pierce, M.D. & Selma M. Pierce, D.D.S.  
Amy C. Ramm, Ph.D.  
Glady’s R. Sawyer Estate  
Wieden + Kennedy  
Anonymous

$100,000 – $499,000
Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation  
Anna Fuller Fund  
Theodore & Katherine Bentley Family Foundation  
George & Janet Boldt  
Cambia Health Foundation  
Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation  
Dutch Bros. Coffee  
FEI Company  
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Frank & Mary Gill  
GIST Cancer Research Fund  
Joe & Jane Gray  
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Ron & Dianne Harris  
Hillman Family Foundations  
Gordon & Mary Hoffman  
Hyundai Hope on Wheels  
Jackie Inskeep  
John A. & Helen M. Cartales Foundation  
Kiwanis Doernbecher Children’s Cancer Program  
Peter O. Kohler, M.D.  
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Lyla Nsouli Foundation For Children’s Brain Cancer Research  
Newman’s Own Foundation  
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Steve & Clara Pawlowski  
Gerry Pratt  
Prostate Cancer Foundation  
R. W. Family Fund of The Oregon Community Foundation  
Mark & Ellen Richardson  
James F. & Shirley J. Rippey  
Joe Robertson & Patricia Fisher  
Standard Insurance Company  
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence E. Tokarski  
Vatheuer Family Foundation  
Benjamin & Elaine Whiteley  
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OHSU Doernbecher ranks among the nation’s best children’s hospitals in 10 specialties

Once again, OHSU Doernbecher Children’s Hospital ranks among the best children’s hospitals in the United States, according to U.S. News & World Report’s 2014-15 Best Children’s Hospitals. This year, Doernbecher ranks in all 10 of the pediatric specialties the magazine evaluates: cancer, cardiology and heart surgery, diabetes and endocrinology, gastroenterology and GI surgery, neonatology, nephrology, neurology and neurosurgery, orthopedics, pulmonology and urology. Doernbecher has been nationally ranked since it first applied for consideration in 2009.

Doernbecher Foundation hires new leader

Jim Ervin comes to the foundation from Durham, North Carolina, and brings 13 years of experience in managing development and major gift campaigns for higher education institutions, nonprofits and pediatric hospitals. He most recently served as director of principal and major gifts at Duke Children’s Hospital & Health Center and as vice president for development at Accelerate Brain Cancer Cure, Inc. Ervin also held several development leadership positions at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
Prostate cancer drug delivers benefits before chemotherapy

A new international study led by the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute has shown that a drug used to treat men with late-stage prostate cancer can slow the disease in patients who have not yet received chemotherapy.

Participants treated with the drug enzalutamide saw an 81 percent reduction in the risk the cancer would progress and a 29 percent reduction in the risk of death. The medication also helped prevent the spread of the disease to the bones, delayed the need for chemotherapy, and reduced evidence of prostate cancer in the bloodstream.

Study: Low-fat diet helps fatigue in people with MS

People with multiple sclerosis who followed a plant-based diet very low in saturated fat for one year experienced significantly less fatigue than a control group of people with MS who didn't follow the diet, according to an OHSU study. The study was led by Vijayshree Yadav, M.D., (pictured) clinical medical director of the OHSU Multiple Sclerosis Center.

The study investigated the effects of following a diet called the McDougall Diet, which is partly based on an MS-fighting diet developed in the 1940s by the late Roy Swank, M.D., a former head of the Division of Neurology at OHSU. The McDougall diet focuses on eating starches, fruits and vegetables and does not include meat, fish or dairy products.

OHSU first in Oregon to implant newly approved miniature heart monitor

OHSU's Knight Cardiovascular Institute was the first in Oregon, and among the first in the nation, to implant in a patient the smallest cardiac monitoring device available.

The miniature heart monitor is implanted under the skin to help detect potentially fatal heart muscle misfires, such as atrial fibrillation, before they become deadly. The device allows physicians to continuously and wirelessly monitor a patient’s heart for up to three years.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the Reveal LINQ Insertable Cardiac Monitor, made by Medtronic Inc., in February.

Lisa Coussens, Ph.D., named to pancreatic cancer Dream Team

Lisa M. Coussens, Ph.D., associate director of basic research for the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute, was chosen to serve as a principal investigator on an international pancreatic cancer dream team. The team will receive $8 million in funding over three years to explore how immune cells enable tumors to survive and grow – and ultimately develop treatments that exploit a patient’s own immune cells to eradicate their cancer.

Project funders Stand Up To Cancer and The Lustgarten Foundation announced Coussens’ appointment at the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research.

OHSU launches new embryonic cell and gene therapy center

In March, OHSU announced the creation of the OHSU Center for Embryonic Cell and Gene Therapy, led by Shoukhrat Mitalipov, Ph.D., a world-renowned leader in the field.

The center will allow Mitalipov and his team to accelerate their pioneering work, which over the last several years has opened up new routes that could lead to cures and treatments for Parkinson’s disease, multiple sclerosis and a range of other conditions caused by diseased or injured cells in the human body.
IN MEMORIAM: RONALD L. BARNARD 1935-2014

OHSU lost a visionary philanthropist and dear friend in April. Ronald L. Barnard of Chicago was executive director of the Walter S. and Lucienne Driskill Foundation. Under Barnard’s leadership, the foundation, which is devoted to supporting medical research, provided a total of $14.4 million to OHSU.

Barnard started at the foundation in 2009 after practicing law for 55 years. He took the helm after his friend and longtime client Walter S. Driskill passed away. Barnard was known as a passionate philanthropist who actively pursued new areas of research to support rather than letting the grantees come to him. After reading a newspaper article in 2009 about blood-brain barrier research by OHSU’s Ed Neuwelt, M.D., Barnard called Neuwelt and asked him to write up a one-page proposal.

“The most incredible thing is that he contacted me,” said Neuwelt. “I’ve never heard of such a thing.” From that initial proposal and additional 4-page follow-up, the Driskill Foundation awarded Neuwelt a total of $5 million to advance pioneering research in novel treatment for brain tumors.

Since then, the Driskill Foundation has awarded OHSU a total of $7 million to establish the Walter S. and Lucienne Driskill Translational Research Training Program, including a recent pledge of $3 million. The foundation also granted $2.4 million to support brain imaging research at OHSU. June Barnard succeeds her husband as executive director of the Driskill Foundation and continues to support groundbreaking work in medical research.

OHSU gratefully acknowledges all investments made by its philanthropic partners. The gifts listed here reflect the range of contributions made in recent months. Thank you, donors!

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- **$4 million to create an endowed fund for medical student education and scholarships.** The fund will provide critical support for students and ensure that Oregon’s future physicians are well prepared, empathetic and compassionate.

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In this reporting period the Oregon State Elks Association provided $600,000 to the Elks Children’s Eye Clinic at the OHSU Casey Eye Institute. The Elks have supported the Children’s Eye Clinic since 1949, and recently celebrated a milestone of $25 million in cumulative giving to the clinic. Thanks to their generosity, the clinic now accommodates more than 16,000 pediatric patient visits and screens more than 5,000 Head Start children annually. At least 40 percent of the clinic’s patients are from families who are unable to pay for their care; with help from the Elks, the clinic does not have to turn any child away.

The Tykeson Family Charitable Trust pledged $500,000 over 10 years to establish the Tykeson Family Term Professorship in Wellness Research at the OHSU Multiple Sclerosis Center. The term professorship will support a clinician scientist involved in wellness research. The fund will provide critical resources for scientific discovery, patient treatment and outreach, and the education of future neurology specialists. Donald E. Tykeson is a former trustee of the OHSU Foundation and his daughter, Amy Tykeson, is an OHSU board member.

Over the last 50 years, Ruth G. Matarazzo, Ph.D., and Joseph D. Matarazzo, Ph.D., have distinguished themselves as exceptional OHSU neurosciences faculty and as philanthropists. Since 2003, the Matarazzos have steadily invested in an endowed chair designed to promote excellence in the field. In March, the Matarazzos made a gift of $400,000 to complete the $1 million fund for the Ruth G. Matarazzo Professor of Behavioral Neuroscience.

An anonymous donor established a lectureship at the OHSU Knight Cardiovascular Institute with a gift of $300,000. Created to promote continued learning and an exchange of ideas in the field of echocardiography in medically underserved countries, the lectureship will alternate annually between OHSU and an international echocardiography conference, with preference for those held in developing countries.

While the Knight Cancer Challenge is bringing a significant amount of attention to OHSU’s cancer research, philanthropists continue to invest in OHSU’s other extraordinary programs at an increasing rate. Donors have given more than $90 million to non-cancer-related initiatives in the 2013-14 fiscal year. Includes gifts as of June 27, 2014.
As a native Oregonian, I’m proud to have an academic health center of this caliber in our region. The research at OHSU, particularly stem cell research, is what really inspires me to give.

– Wiley Campbell, M.D., OHSU School of Medicine, class of ’55

Brothers Wiley Campbell, M.D. (left), and Robert Campbell, M.D., in 1954. Wiley Campbell, an ophthalmologist, and his wife, Ceille, made a gift of $1 million in honor of his late brother, Robert Campbell, an obstetrician and graduate of OHSU School of Medicine, class of ’60. The gift established The Campbell Brothers Obstetrics & Ophthalmology Research Laboratory at OHSU.