



Ian's Friends Foundation

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New Year

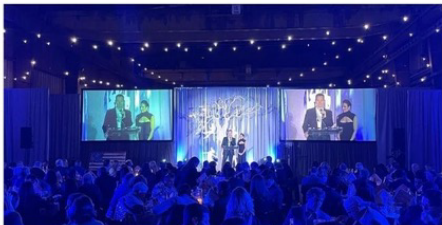
These turbulent times that we are again living through have made us reflect on what is important...our IFF Family! We know that our continued commitment to funding groundbreaking projects brings us closer to a cure every day. We are excited to share the new projects that you have helped fund bringing our total to 37 projects at 27 institutions around the world. Wishing you all a happy and healthy New Year. With IFF Love- Cheryl & Phil Yagoda

2021 Project Recap

With your continued help and support, IFF funded 6 new research projects in 2021. These new projects are the following: an innovative combination therapy approach for ATRT tumors at Emory; directed drug targeting of Medulloblastoma by IF7 peptide at Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital; the deep learning-based prediction/Artificial Intelligence (AI) of clinically actionable genomic alterations using digital pathology at UCSF and Oslo; the reprogramming of the glioma tumor micro environment using genetically engineered cells to serve as next generation cellular therapy to prevent malignant progression of tumor at Nationwide Children's; the use of Precision Molecular Histology to guide braintumor surgery with rapid intraoperative imaging and AI at the University of Michigan; the multi-institution drug screening project led by Emory using patient tumor cells for elucidating potential directed drug therapies for high-risk or relapsed malignant brain tumors.

EOI Success

We had a wonderful and successful night at the 14th Annual Evening of Inspiration this past October both in Atlanta and Los Angeles. As we adapted to these crazy covid times, we were able to safely gather and raise \$1.3M for research. Many thanks to all who attended, donated and supported this important event. We can't wait to see you all again in 2022.



WhatIFF Symposium

We are excited to announce that the WhatIFF Symposium is returning to Atlanta, September 9th & 10th, 2022. We unfortunately had to change the date due to covid restrictions but we are looking forward to this event in the fall. WhatIFF brings together the best and brightest doctors and researchers in the field to discuss and share their ideas in a "shark-tank style event." We will keep you updated on the details as the WhatIFF date gets closer.
