The Dr. David M. Kovitz Visiting Professorship was established to stimulate interest and development in education, training and research in the area of cancer and diabetes. The fund supports a lectureship which provided the opportunity for distinguished scholars from around the world to interact with faculty, students and members of the Calgary community while visiting our University.

Dr. David M. Kovitz, a well-respected dentist and businessman in Calgary, originally established the endowment in 1988. The fund was matched by the Government of Alberta and received further support by his family and friends. In 1992, Dr. Kovitz passed away but through his gift to the University of Calgary, the Visiting Professorship is a lasting tribute to his commitment to excellence and the advancement of medical research and education.

**Past Dr. David M. Kovitz Lecturers:**

- 1992: Dr. Paul Talalay
- 1993: Dr. Edmond Fischer
- 1994: Dr. Meng H. Tan
- 1995: Dr. Frank Rauscher III
- 1996: Dr. Joseph Bertino
- 1997: Dr. Ronald Klein
- 1998: Dr. Trevor Powles
- 1999: Dr. Robert Weinberg
- 2000: Dr. Barry I. Posner
- 2001: Dr. Morris J. Birnbaum
- 2002: Dr. C. Ronald Kahn
- 2003: Dr. Nader Abraham
- 2004: Dr. Frances M. Ashcroft
- 2005: Dr. Jeannette Ward
- 2006: Dr. Edward H. Leiter
- 2007: Dr. Leonard C. Harrison
- 2008: Dr. Daniel Von Hoff
- 2009: Dr. Camillo Ricordi
- 2010: Dr. Paul Nurse
- 2011: Dr. Linda Wicker

2012 Dr. David M. Kovitz

**Visiting Professorship Lecture**

Dr. Joan S. Brugge

Chair, Department of Cell Biology, Harvard Medical School

“Adapting Resistance To Targeted Cancer Therapies”

Friday, February 17, 2012

2:30-3:30pm

Libin Lecture Theatre

Reception to follow
Dr. Joan S. Brugge

Dr. Joan Brugge, received her PhD from Baylor College of Medicine in Houston before pursuing her post-doctoral fellowship with Dr. Ray Erikson at the University of Colorado Medical Center in Denver. During her post-doctoral training Dr. Brugge published a seminal paper in Nature in 1977 describing the identification of the transforming factor induced by the avian sarcoma virus. In 1979 Dr. Brugge started her independent research career in the Department of Microbiology at State University of New York at Stony Brook where she moved through the academic ranks to Professor. In 1989 Dr. Brugge moved to the University of Pennsylvania as a Howard Hughes Investigator. In 1992 moved to ARIAD Pharmaceuticals as the Scientific Director and Senior Vice President of Exploratory Research. In 1997 Dr. Brugge joined the Department of Cell Biology at Harvard University where since 2004 has been the Chair of the Department. During her career Dr. Brugge has contributed to over 170 peer-reviewed publications many of which are in the top tier biomedical journals including Cell, Nature and Science. She has received numerous accolades for her research including being Elected into the National Academy of Science (2001), the recipient of the NCI Rosalind Franklin Award (2005) and Elected as a Fellow of the American Association of Advancement of Science (2007). Dr. Brugge has had a long-standing interest in the area of oncogenes and their role in regulating cellular signalling networks most recently with a focus on breast cancer progression and metastasis.

Programme

**Welcoming Remarks**
Dr. Jon Meddings
Vice Dean, Faculty of Medicine

**Introduction of Dr. Joan Brugge**
Dr. Steve Robbins
Director, Southern Alberta Cancer Research Institute

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**Recognition**
Muriel Kovitz

**Closing Remarks**
Dr. Steve Robbins
Director, Southern Alberta Cancer Research Institute

Please join us for a reception in the HRIC Atrium