Fifth Annual Innovations in Healthcare Symposium

Advances in Global Health: A Symposium honoring Jonas Salk and Albert Sabin on World Polio Day and Dr. Salk’s Centenary

October 23 and 24, 2014

Hosted by NYU School of Medicine

October 23 from 2 pm – 6:30 pm
October 24 from 7:30 am – 3:30 pm

Farkas Auditorium
550 First Avenue, New York, NY 10016

Honored Guests

United States Senator Chuck Schumer
Françoise Gilot
Painter, author, and wife of Dr. Jonas Salk
Peter L. Salk, MD
President, Jonas Salk Legacy Foundation, and son of Dr. Jonas Salk
Debbe Sabin, NP
Family Nurse Practitioner (retired) and daughter of Dr. Albert Sabin
James Roosevelt, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer, Tufts Health Plan

Special Video Message

Bill Gates
Co-Chair, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

For more information or to register, please visit our symposium website at: http://healthcare-innovations.med.nyu.edu

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Thursday, October 23, 2014

2:00-3:30 p.m. ETHICS SESSION
What Ought to Be Done to Overcome the Anti-Vaccine Trend?

A huge component of the recurrence of measles, mumps, pertussis, and other vaccine-preventable diseases is vaccine refusal and vaccine hesitation. What can be done to combat this problem? What educational, legal, and policy efforts are most likely to persuade individuals and parents to accept vaccinations as very safe and effective?

Arthur L. Caplan, PhD
Drs. William F. and Virginia Connolly Mitty Professor and Founding Head of the Division of Bioethics, NYU Langone Medical Center; National Science Foundation Awardee - 2014 Public Service Award for an Individual

Jason L. Schwartz, PhD, MBE
Harold T. Shapiro Fellow in Bioethics, Princeton University Center for Human Values

Seth Mnookin
Associate Director, Graduate Program in Science Writing
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Paul A. Offit, MD
Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Director of the Vaccine Education Center at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Maurice R. Hilleman Professor of Vaccinology, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

3:30-4:00 p.m. BREAK

4:00-4:40 p.m. PLENARY SESSION

FEATURED SPEAKER

Jay Wenger, MD
Director, Polio, Eradication Effort, Global Development Program
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

SPECIAL VIDEO MESSAGE

Bill Gates
Co-Chair, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

GREETINGS

Françoise Gilot
Painter, author, and wife of Dr. Jonas Salk

FEATURED SPEAKER

John L. Sever, MD, PhD
Vice Chair, International PolioPlus Committee, Rotary International; Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Microbiology, Immunology and Tropical Medicine, The George Washington University Center

4:40-5:40 p.m. GREETINGS AND FILM INTRODUCTION

Nancy Buirski
Producer, director, writer of Afternoon of a Faun; Director/Producer at THE LOVING STORY

4:50-6:30 p.m. SCREENING

Afternoon of a Faun — Tanaquil Le Clercq isn’t a household name, but she still holds a stunning place in ballet history. In the 1950s, “Tanny,” an elegant Paris-born American, was muse to the great New York City Ballet (NYCB) choreographer, George Balanchine, who would become her husband, and also to choreographer Jerome Robbins, who remained her friend. But in 1956, at age 27 in the middle of a NYCB European tour, Tanny’s muscles felt stiff. She was struck down by polio, never to walk or dance again. In almost eerie foreshadowing, Balanchine had once cast her as a polio victim in an early ballet in which he danced the role of Polio.

Friday, October 24, 2014

7:30 a.m. REGISTRATION / LIGHT BREAKFAST

8:00-8:15 a.m. DEAN'S WELCOME

Robert I. Grossman, MD
Saul J. Farber Dean and Chief Executive Officer, NYU Langone Medical Center

8:15-8:30 a.m. HONORARY SPEAKER

United States Senator Chuck Schumer

8:30-10:00 a.m. SESSION I: Polio: Honoring Dr. Jonas Salk and Dr. Albert Sabin

Drs. Salk and Sabin developed the two remarkably effective polio vaccines that have rid most of the world of this deadly infectious disease. The panel will provide new insights into the careers of these iconic scientists before and after their polio work, including the education and training that sparked their early interest in medical research, the personal philosophies that guided them, and the extraordinary, if lesser known, contributions that define their legacies.

David Oshinsky, PhD
Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and Director, Division of Medical Humanities
NYU Langone Medical Center

Peter L. Salk, MD
President, Jonas Salk Legacy Foundation, and son of Dr. Jonas Salk

Peter Hotez, MD, PhD
President, Sabin Vaccine Institute

10:00-11:30 a.m. SESSION II: Vaccine Science: Where We Stand Today

Vaccines remain our best weapon in the battle against deadly infectious diseases. The panel will discuss the imaginative approaches and significant challenges in developing a new generation of life-saving vaccines.

Robert C. Gallo, MD
Director of the Institute of Human Virology and Professor of Medicine at the University of Maryland School of Medicine

Paul A. Offit, MD
Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Director of the Vaccine Education Center at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, Maurice R. Hilleman Professor of Vaccinology, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

Penny M. Heaton, MD
Director of Vaccine Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. BREAK / PROCEED TO LUNCH

12:00 p.m.-1:45 p.m. LUNCH / PLENARY SPEAKER

Julie L. Gerberding, MD, MPH
President, Merck Vaccines

1:45-2:00 p.m. BREAK

2:00-3:30 p.m. SESSION III: Vaccine Delivery: The Global Polio Campaign and the Future

No medical issue has received more media attention in the past year than the global campaign to eradicate polio. Maintaining the momentum—the sense of urgency—is absolutely crucial to this effort, now in its final stages. The panel will discuss the obstacles faced and lessons learned in polio eradication, including the massive success in India, the current offensive in Nigeria, and ongoing efforts around the globe.

Hamid Jafari, MD
Director, Global Polio Eradication Operations and Research at WHO Headquarters, Geneva

Muhammad Ali Pate, MD
Visiting Professor at the Duke Global Health Institute, Former Minister of State for Health of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

Laurie Garrett
Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Senior Fellow for Global Health, Council on Foreign Relations