
Johns Hopkins Pediatric Cancer Research Receives Record Donation from Giant Food



Striking another blow against childhood cancers, physician-scientists in the **Division of Pediatric Oncology at the Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer**, are the recipients of \$1.6 Million from **Giant Food**. Giant's annual campaign, now in its 16th year, raised over \$2.2 million in a record timing of 5 weeks through its "Thank You" cards program. A portion of the proceeds also benefits the **Children's Cancer Foundation**.

"We specialize in bringing individualized and targeted therapies to our patients, who range in age from infants to adolescents and young adults. Research is critical to this mission and groundbreaking innovation does not happen without critical funding such as that provided by Giant. We are so grateful for their continued support," says **Donald Small, M.D., Ph.D., Director of Pediatric Oncology at the Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center**.

"Each year, Giant Food is honored to help support the Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center and The Children's Cancer Foundation in furthering their pediatric cancer research efforts," said **Dyani Hanrahan, Vice President of Marketing at Giant Food**. "The Johns Hopkins Division of Pediatric Oncology is one of the most highly regarded childhood cancer programs in the world, and with the support of our amazing customers, the Giant family is excited to donate \$1.6 million to them so that they may continue to do an outstanding job discovering treatments."

Childhood cancers, while rare in comparison to adult cancers, can have devastating effects on children and their families. At the Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center, our teams of pediatric oncologists, nurses, social workers, and many others, provide both inpatient and outpatient care including immunotherapy (CAR-T), bone marrow transplants, and state-of-the-art radiation therapy.

The tenacity and dedication through Giant Food's Childhood Awareness

Campaign has been at the cornerstone for funding breakthrough research such as that of **Challice Bonifant, MD, PhD, assistant professor of oncology and pediatrics**. Dr. Bonifant's work within stem cell transplantation for high-risk leukemias focuses on the design and development of immune therapies as a treatment for poor-prognosis cancers, including the development of engineered cellular immunotherapies for the treatment of Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML).

Through commitment, collaboration, and innovation, Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center researchers are accelerating treatment options and therapies that enhance the lives of our young patients and their families. [Learn](#) more about our people and programs.

About Giant Food

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About The Children's Cancer Foundation, Inc.

The Children's Cancer Foundation is committed to funding locally-based researchers, programs and facilities until every child is assured a healthy future. Founded in 1983, and currently based in Columbia, MD, The Children's Cancer Foundation, Inc. (CCF) has awarded grants of over \$39 million to area hospitals and researchers to more effectively treat children facing a diagnosis of cancer. CCF concentrates on raising funds locally and partners with local hospitals in the Baltimore-Washington, D.C. area. More about CCF can be found by visiting: childrenscancerfoundation.org. The Children's Cancer Foundation, Inc., is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3).

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