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Dr. Chervenak received his Bachelor of Science degree from Pennsylvania State University, and his medical degree (M.D.) from Thomas Jefferson University in 1976. He served his internship in internal medicine at New York Medical College, and his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at New York Medical College in St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital Center. Dr. Chervenak then went on to a fellowship in maternal fetal medicine at Yale University School of Medicine.

He was assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Mt. Sinai Medical Center, where he was also director of perinatal research, before joining what was then the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, as associate professor, in 1987.

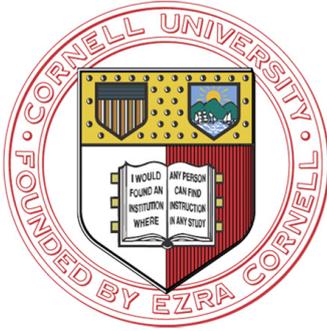
As both professor and chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at WCMC-NY, and chief of obstetrics and gynecology at NYPH, Dr. Chervenak combines academic and teaching roles with clinical practice. The Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine specializes in the care of patients with obstetrical, medical, genetic and surgical complications of pregnancy. It provides both diagnostic and therapeutic procedures for a range of conditions, from expectant mothers with diabetes or other endocrine disorders, to multiple births.

Dr. Chervenak's research interests are in ultrasound, ethics, multiple gestation, and clinical obstetrics and gynecology. He has published over 180 papers in peer review literature and has co-authored or co-edited 15 textbooks. He has also held office in many professional organizations, and he is a past president of the International Fetal Medicine in Surgery Society. Currently, he serves as president of the International Society of the Fetus as a Patient, and the New York Obstetrical Society.

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David P. Hajjar, Ph.D., is Executive Vice Dean, Vice Provost and Dean of the Weill Graduate School of Medical Sciences of Cornell University. His academic appointments are as Frank H.T. Rhodes Distinguished Professor of Cardiovascular Biology and Genetics, and professor of biochemistry and pathology. In addition, since 1995, Dr. Hajjar has been director of the Cornell Center of Vascular Biology.

Dr. Hajjar received his Bachelor of Arts degree in biochemistry at American International College in Springfield, Massachusetts, followed by his Ph.D., also in biochemistry, at the University of New Hampshire in 1978. After his postdoctoral fellowship at the Rockefeller University, Dr. Hajjar was appointed to the faculty of what was then Cornell University Medical College in New York.

An internationally renowned scientist and fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of Britain's Royal Society of Medicine, Dr. Hajjar is one of Weill Cornell's most highly funded National Institutes of Health (NIH) investigators. He has made major contributions to research in the field of vascular biology, particularly in the regulation of cholesterol trafficking and of metabolism. He was the first investigator to determine the role of infectious agents such as herpes virus in the pathogenesis of vascular disease, and he has made important advances in the study of cholesterol storage and accumulation, and the formation of early lesions in atherosclerosis.

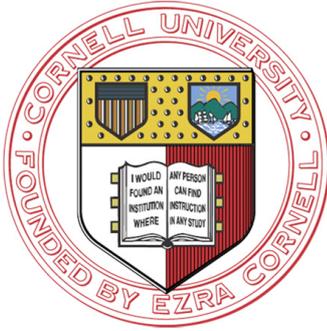
Dr. Hajjar's contribution of over 150 scientific publications has also won him international recognition. He has received numerous awards, including the 2003 Chugai Award for Excellence in Mentoring and Scholarship from the American Society for Investigative Pathology, and the FASEB Warner-Lambert/Parke Davis Research Award in 1991 for his discoveries in the field of vascular disease.

In addition, Dr. Hajjar has served as chairman of many national and international scientific advisory boards for medical research institutes, and as chairman of committees for the NIH and the American Heart Association.

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Fabrizio Michelassi, M.D., is Lewis Atterbury Stimson Professor and chairman of surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College in New York (WCMC-NY), and surgeon-in-chief at New York-Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH.)

A graduate of the University of Pisa School of Medicine in Italy (1975), Dr. Michelassi served his internship and residency in general surgery at New York University; he was a research fellow in surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard University from 1981 to 1983. He joined the University of Chicago as assistant professor in 1984, where he rose to the position of professor and vice chairman of the department of surgery, before taking up his current appointments at WCMC-NY and NYPH in July 2004.

Dr. Michelassi's specialties include inflammatory bowel disease, and the genetics and surgical treatment of gastrointestinal cancer. An innovative surgeon, he has pioneered new techniques including a bowel sparing procedure for extensive Crohn's disease of the small bowel and terminal ileum. His work has been funded by the National Institutes of Health, the American Cancer Society, and the International Organization of Inflammatory Bowel Disease.

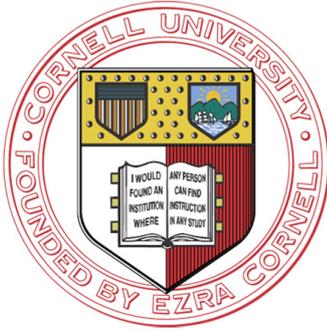
The author of almost 100 peer-reviewed papers and more than 35 book chapters, Dr. Michelassi has edited a book of operative techniques and several instructional movies for surgeons in the field of bowel disease.

Dr. Michelassi is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Distinguished Leadership Award from the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America, and the Silver Medal from the University of Bologna. He is a past president of the Illinois Surgical Society, and current president of the Western Surgical Association, secretary of the Society of Surgical Oncology and president-elect of the Central Surgical Association.

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Gerald M. Loughlin, M.D., is Nancy C. Paduano Professor and chairman of pediatrics at Weill Cornell Medical College in New York (WCMC-NY), and pediatrician-in-chief at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH.)

A graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Dr. Loughlin received his M.D. degree from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in 1973, and a Master of Science degree in business health care from Johns Hopkins University. He completed an internship and his residency in pediatrics at the University of Arizona Medical Center, before joining the faculty at the University of Florida.

In 1984, Dr. Loughlin was appointed to the faculty of Johns Hopkins University. He went on to hold a number of clinical, research and academic posts, including associate director of the Pediatric Clinical Research Unit, vice chair for clinical affairs, and vice president for medical affairs at

the Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital. Dr. Loughlin joined WCMC-NY and NYPH in 2002.

A specialist in pediatric pulmonology, Dr. Loughlin is a leading authority in the care of children with asthma and respiratory disorders. His research interests lie in the field of disorders of breathing during sleep in children, with special emphasis on obstructive sleep apnea. In addition, he is involved in studies of respiratory aspects of dysfunctional swallowing in infants and children.

Dr. Loughlin has published extensively on the topic of pediatric respiratory and sleep disorders. He is a past winner of the George Will Comstock Award from the American Lung Association of Maryland, and a past board member of the American Thoracic Society.

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