

# Tumor bank breakfast speakers



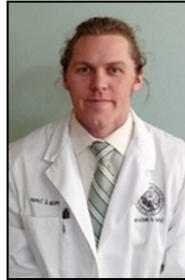
## **Kevin Lillehei, MD**

Ogsbury-Kindt Endowed Chair  
Department of Neurosurgery  
Professor & Director of the Neurosurgery / Neuro-Oncology Lab.  
Research interests include malignant gliomas, immune system in tumor recognition & eradication



## **Nicholas Foreman, MD**

Seebaum/Tschetter Chair of Pediatric Neuro –Oncology  
Professor, Pediatrics-Heme/Onc & Bone Marrow Transplantation  
Research interests include the development of novel therapies with glial tumors and clinical protocols for children with difficult to treat tumors



## **Phillip Tatman, PhD**

Department of Pharmacology  
Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP) Md/PhD Program  
Research interests: Activation of insulin receptor by histone three tail peptides.



## **Siddhartha Mitra, PhD**

Assistant Professor of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology and Bone Marrow Transplant. The Mitra lab is part of the Morgan Adams Pediatric Brain Tumor Research Program and focuses on Immunology, neurodevelopment and brain tumor oncology.



## **D. Ryan Ormond, MD, PhD**

Associate Professor, Neurosurgery  
Director, Brain Tumor Program.  
Director, Regenerative Neurobiology Lab. Co-Director, Neurosurgical Oncology Fellowship. Co-Director, Brain Tumor Imaging Lab. Research interests include Brain Cancers, Skull Base Tumors, Brain tumor metastases.



## **Michael Graner, PhD**

Professor, Research Director Neurosurgery Neural Tissue Bank. Co-director, Exosome Research Core. Research interests include tumor/host immune responses in immune suppression, immunotherapy development, Extracellular vesicles in neurologic diseases, Canine Cancer vaccine development.



## **Xiaoli Yu, PhD**

Assistant Research Professor,  
Department of Neurosurgery  
Research interests include the immunopathogenesis of Multiple Sclerosis, focusing on IgG antibodies as biomarkers and antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity in demyelination. Also, phage-displayed random peptide library approaches to identify extracellular vesicles/exosomes as biomarkers for patients with brain tumors.