

# Good News

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## Omicron: here's what our scientists know

Researchers around the world are rapidly collecting data on this new COVID-19 variant, which appears to spread much more easily than previous variants. While a lot of these studies are ongoing, we asked several infectious disease experts at the University of Rochester Medical Center what they know so far.

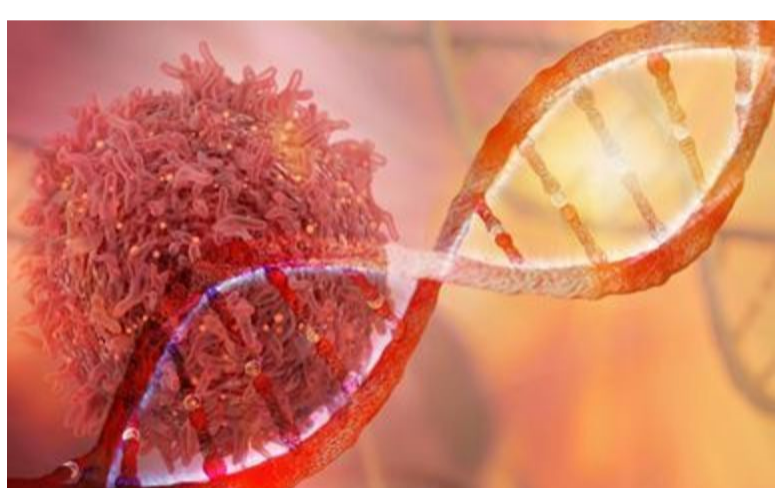
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## The last mile

New therapies, treatments, and mRNA technologies have the potential to cure Cystic Fibrosis. When CF was first discovered in 1938, the average life expectancy was six months. Since then, the medical world's understanding of CF – and ability to treat it – has grown tremendously.

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## Honing in on shared network of cancer genes

Wilmot Cancer Institute researchers are a step closer to understanding the complex gene interactions that cause a cell to become malignant. In a new Cell Reports study, the group used network modeling to hone in on a set of such interactions that are critical to malignancy, and likely to be fertile ground for broad cancer therapies.

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## Save the date: Highland hospital gala

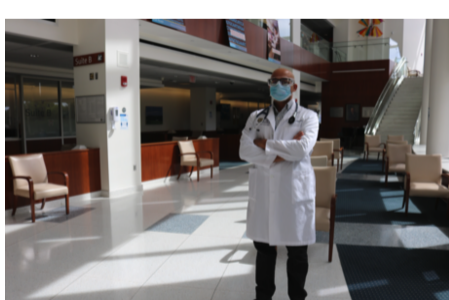
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Funds raised will support Highland Hospital's modernization project, which will convert nearly all patient rooms to private.

For questions, please contact Jillian Lynch at [URMCevents@rochester.edu](mailto:URMCevents@rochester.edu).



## Social media highlight



## Make a gift to WCI's Discovery Fund

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