

ROBERT A. FIGLIN BA '70



ROBERT A. FIGLIN is a leader in oncology and is driven by research and molding the next generation of medical professionals.

Based in Los Angeles, Figlin currently wears a multitude of hats at the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. He is the Steven Spielberg Family Chair in Hematology-Oncology, professor of medicine and biomedical sciences, director of the Division of Hematology-Oncology, deputy director of the Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Institute, and deputy director of the Integrated Oncology Service Line.

He also established and directs the Kidney Cancer Program which, under his leadership, aims to understand the biology of kidney cancer and translate that knowledge into novel treatment approaches that avoid the toxicity associated with standard treatments.

A nationally recognized leader in genitourinary and thoracic oncology, Figlin's research focuses on renal cell carcinoma and thoracic malignancies. He has authored more than 350 peer-reviewed articles, several books focused on kidney cancer and serves as the editor for numerous medical journals, such as *Clinical Cancer Research*.

Prior to joining Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Figlin worked extensively with the City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center and UCLA, where he's currently an emeritus professor of medicine and urology at the David Geffen School of Medicine.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in chemistry at the College of Science and Technology at Temple, Figlin earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Pennsylvania. He completed his residency and chief residency in internal medicine at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, and a fellowship in hematology/oncology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles.