

# Faculty Biographies

## **Barrie R. Cassileth, PhD**

Barrie R. Cassileth, PhD, is the incumbent of the Laurance S. Rockefeller Chair and Chief of Integrative Medicine Service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. She has studied, published, and lectured internationally on alternative and complementary (integrative) therapies for more than 25 years. She is the founding president of the International Society for Integrative Oncology and the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of the Society for Integrative Oncology*. She has served on the national board of directors of the American Cancer Society and the advisory council to the National Institutes of Health Office of Alternative Medicine.

## **Yi Hung Chan, DPM, LAc**

Yi Hung Chan, DPM, LAc, is the lead acupuncturist of the Integrative Medicine Service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. He brings with him a unique combination of allopathic medicine and traditional Chinese medicine training. After receiving a doctorate of podiatric medicine from New York College of Podiatric Medicine, Dr. Chan worked as an assistant attending in the department of surgery at Columbus Hospital and as a wound care specialist with board certification in diabetic foot ulcer prevention and treatment. He serves as the primary podiatrist at the Cranford Health & Extended Care Center and is on staff at several hospitals and healthcare facilities. Dr. Chan is also affiliated with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey as the basic life support/CPR instructor.

## **Gary Deng, MD, PhD**

Gary Deng, MD, PhD, is a physician-scientist on the Integrative Medicine Service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. He is a board-certified internist and acupuncturist with clinical interests in symptom control, supportive care, and health maintenance in cancer patients and cancer survivors. Dr. Deng received his medical degree from Beijing Medical University, in China, and his PhD in microbiology and immunology from the University of Miami, in Florida. He is the principal investigator or co-principal investigator of several symptom control and botanical research projects. He has authored review articles on integrative medicine and textbook chapters in *Cancer Medicine*, *Internal Medicine Care of Cancer Patients*, *Principle and Practice of Palliative and Supportive Oncology*, and *PDQ Integrative Oncology*.

## **Kathleen Wesa, MD**

Kathleen Wesa, MD, is a physician-scientist in the Integrative Medicine Service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. She is a board-certified internist and addiction medicine specialist with additional training in the NADA protocol for acupuncture in addiction treatment. She has clinical interests in symptom control, supportive care, and health maintenance in cancer patients as well as research

interests in botanical and mind-body interventions for cancer survivorship. She received her medical degree from the University of Minnesota School of Medicine, in Minneapolis, followed by an internal medicine residency and rheumatology fellowship. She has worked on clinical research involving mind-body therapies and addiction.

**K. Simon Yeung, MBA, PharmD, LAc**

K. Simon Yeung, MBA, PharmD, LAc, is a research pharmacist, acupuncturist, and clinical coordinator for the Integrative Medicine Service. He holds an MBA degree from Baruch College; an MS degree from the Pacific College of Oriental Medicine; and a doctor of pharmacy from the University of Florida. He manages the popular [About Herbs](#) Web site, which provides scientific information on herbal supplements, vitamins, and unproved anticancer treatments. Simon is a co-author of *PDQ Integrative Oncology* as well as other book chapters on herb-drug interactions. He also served as an affiliated clinical assistant professor at St. John's University. Currently, he is the co-investigator for several clinical trials on acupuncture and on botanical products.