

**The Rina and Avner Schneur Center of
Type 2 Diabetes Research**

***Symposium on Type 2 Diabetes Research
May 3rd, 2015, Dan Carmel Hotel, Haifa***

Prof. Shulamit Levenberg, Prof. Eddy Karnieli
– Chairpersons

- 9:30 Opening – Prof. shulamit Levenberg, *Technion, Israel*.
9:45 Keynote lecture - Prof. James Shapiro, *University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada* - The Nexus of Islet, Stem Cell Transplantation and Regenerative Medicine in the Treatment of Diabetes.
10:30 Prof. Eddy Karnieli, *Technion, Israel*- GLUT4 - innocent bystander or Team player?
11:00 Coffee break
11:15 Keynote lecture - Prof. Rohit N. Kulkarni, *Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts, USA* - Using induced pluripotent stem cells to learn about pancreatic beta cell development
12:00 Prof. Derek LeRoith, *Technion, Israel* - Obesity, diabetes and cancer risk; mechanisms that may influence therapies.
12:30 Closing remarks - Prof. Eddy Karnieli
12:45 Lunch



Dr. Kulkarni is a Principle Investigator at the Joslin Diabetes Center, Associate Professor of Medicine and a Faculty Member of the BBS Graduate Program at Harvard Medical School and Director of the Specialized Assay Core.



Dr. Shapiro is Principal Investigator of the international multi-center trial of islet transplantation testing the Edmonton Protocol at 9 international sites, sponsored by the Immune Tolerance Network. He is also Principal Investigator and Director of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Clinical Center for Islet Transplantation created in 2001 at the University of Alberta.