The Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

The 9th Aline U. and James M. Orten Memorial Lecture

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Leptin and the Endocrine Control of Body Weight

2 pm Tuesday November 13, 2001
Room 2268 Scott Hall
About Dr. Friedman:

Dr. Friedman received a B.S. (magna cum laude) from Renssalaer Polytechnic Institute and was simultaneously in a six-year medical program at Albany Medical College of Union University, where he received his M.D. in 1977. He was an intern and resident in the Department of Medicine, Albany Medical Center Hospital, and served as Chief Resident from 1979-1980. He received a Ph.D. from the Rockefeller University in 1984, followed by a postdoctoral period at the Rockefeller University from 1984-1985. He joined the faculty at the Rockefeller University in 1986 and is currently Marilyn M. Simpson Professor, a Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigator and Director of the Starr Center for Human Genetics. In 1994 Dr. Friedman cloned the mouse ob gene and demonstrated that it encodes a novel hormone, leptin, that reduces body fat. Dr. Friedman has been the recipient of many honors, most recently including the Bristol-Myers Squibb Award for Distinguished Achievement in Metabolic Research. Dr. Friedman was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 2001.