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Hebrew U. researchers win award for cancer therapy

Dr. Arie Dagan and Prof. Shimon Gatt have developed molecules that kill cancers without affecting normal tissue.

Synthetic molecules developed by Hebrew University researchers hold promise for a new family of anti-cancer drugs. The molecules have succeeded in reducing and even eliminating the growth of human malignant tissues in mice, while having no toxic effects on normal tissue.

For their work in developing these harbingers of a possible new generation of anti-cancer drugs, Dr. Arie Dagan and Prof. Shimon Gatt of the Department of Biochemistry of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School were among those receiving the Kaye Award for Innovation today during the 71st meeting of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem Board of Governors.

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