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Wilbur B. Bowne, M.D., FACS, is an Associate Professor of Surgical Oncology and Cellular/ Molecular Biology at Drexel University College of Medicine (DUCOM) and serves as Chief of Gastrointestinal Surgery (Pancreatic and Gastrointestinal Oncology). He is founder and principal investigator of The Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Therapeutics in DUCOM Department of Surgery. Dr. Bowne completed surgical training at Mount Sinai School of Medicine and research/surgical oncology fellowships at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. He is recipient of The American Association of Cancer Research (AACR) Young Investigator and The American College of Surgeons Faculty Fellowship Research Awards for his research in pancreatic cancer. Dr. Bowne's laboratory research is focused on developing novel anti-cancer targeted therapies against oncoprotein and cell cycle regulation in pancreatic cancer. He is extensively published with over 130 peer-reviewed articles, abstracts, and book chapters. He has received numerous awards for outstanding service, teaching excellence and outstanding skills and commitment in the clinical care of patients. Dr. Bowne and colleagues developed a scoring system to improve patient safety for pancreatic surgery developed from the American College of Surgeons National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (ACS NSQIP). Dr. Bowne takes great pride in being a member of DUCOM multidisciplinary cancer team that treats the most complex patient situations whatever the circumstances or nature of the condition.