

B-Roll Package: Grand Opening of the Center For Engineering and Precision Medicine March 29, 2023

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NEW YORK, NY, USA, March 31, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The grand opening of the [Center for Engineering and Precision Medicine](#) (CEPM), a partnership



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between Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) and the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Icahn Mount Sinai), was held March 29, 2023 at the Hudson Research Center (HRC) in New York City.

The center is the latest in a 10+ year partnership between RPI, a world-renowned technological research university known for its engineering, technology, and science programs, and Icahn Mount Sinai, the academic arm of the Mount Sinai Health System, which includes eight hospitals and a vast network of ambulatory practices throughout the

greater New York City region. The HRC is a 320,000-square-foot, mixed-use hub for innovation in New York City's growing life sciences sector.

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Video Shot List

- 1) Establishing b-roll shots of the Center for Engineering and Precision Medicine
- 2) SOUNDBITE (English) Deepak Vashishth, Ph.D., Director of the Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies at Rensselaer and CEPM Associate Director

Good morning! It is my pleasure to welcome you to the opening of CEPM – the Rensselaer-Sinai Center for Engineering and Precision Medicine!

Today marks an important day in our 10-year relationship with Sinai that has already produced major advances in orthopedics and in the treatment and management of diseases such as Alzheimer's, cancer, diabetes, and osteoporosis.

3) SOUNDBITE (English) Rensselaer President Martin A. Schmidt, Ph.D.

This is a new facility we're opening in partnership with Mount Sinai, where we're going to have RPI engineers and scientists working side by side with Mount Sinai researchers pushing the envelope of precision medicine.

Mount Sinai brings a tremendous capability in medical science and an enormous patient population. RPI brings a strong engineering talent. Bringing those together are really the key elements of the formula to advance precision medicine.

4) SOUNDBITE (English) Dennis S. Charney, M.D., the Anne and Joel Ehrenkranz Dean of Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

The focus of the center will be on multiple diseases. They include diseases of the brain – to come up with new techniques, using, essentially, neuroengineering to help us provide better treatments for serious diseases such as stroke, paralysis, and other diseases of the brain.

Also, there will be other conditions that we will be working together on including the ability to remotely manage different diseases like diabetes... like other conditions that somebody might be at home, but we need to monitor them very carefully using wearables that involve serious forms of engineering.

5) SOUNDBITE (English) New York City Mayor Eric Adams

We heard the scientific approach to this amazing marriage of two great institutions, and I just want to lean into the humanistic aspect of it. How many times have we watched our loved ones go through a chronic disease? How many times have we sat back and saw how it impacts the family, particularly when the person is a primary caregiver, was a newborn child? We are at the precipice of an 1883 moment. Today, we opened the Brooklyn Bridge and allowed two islands to be connected. That's where we are in science and medicine.

We are moving away from the old theories and concepts of generalizing the impacts of these chronic diseases and understanding the individual aspects of them. Just as we have individual fingerprints that's unique to who we are, so too is our body makeup. The thoughts of microbiomes and neuroplasticity of the brain and neuron connections and how various medicines impact us in a unique way is beyond imagination where we are about to go. But just like in that 1883, some people stepped on that bridge with interpretation and fear, unsure of what happened when they walked across. Mount Sinai and RPI is holding our hands and telling us it's going to be all right. It's going to be all right. It's going to be all right.

We're entering the universe of reversal and prevention and proper diagnosis. How exciting could that be? We did not think we would see this day in our lifetime. Because of this partnership, not only are we going to see it in our lifetime, we are going to extend our lifetime, and I'm looking forward to this.

6) B-roll shots of audience and speakers

7) SOUNDBITE (English) CEPM Co-Director Jonathan Dordick, Ph.D., Institute Professor of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, and Biological Sciences at Rensselaer

The Center for Engineering and Precision Medicine is a joint center with Mount Sinai and Rensselaer that has three major components.

One component is a research center. We're going to do research in areas such as neuromodulation, immune resilience, regenerative medicine, and underlying that will be where engineering plays a significant role in developing new technologies to advance medicine.

The second area is that we are developing a joint Ph.D. program in engineering medicine that's really going to be the glue that brings together researchers from both institutions.

The third area is we are advancing what's called the CEPM Development Labs, which will be early stage commercialization that's going to come out of the technologies being developed at the CEPM. Hopefully, that will spawn new technologies and new industries that will come out.

8) B-roll of RPI, Sinai, and CEPM leaders posing for photos

9) SOUNDBITE (English) CEPM Co-Director Priti Balchandani, Ph.D., Professor of Diagnostic, Molecular and Interventional Radiology, Neuroscience, and Psychiatry at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

The Center for Engineering and Precision Medicine or CEPM is encompassing our exact vision which is to apply new engineering technologies to make medicine more personalized and to solve the most intractable diseases. As diseases become more complex and there are distinct disease variations, we need more engineering methods, data analytics, and higher precision in our techniques in order to come up with more effective treatments and diagnostics and help patients, ultimately.

10) SOUNDBITE (English) Deepak Vashishth, Ph.D., Director of the Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies at Rensselaer and CEPM Associate Director.

New York City is a very diverse population, as you know. The impact is that we are trying to make

medicine fit to an individual level. We want the medicine to be as diverse as the patient is. In order to make that, we need a big leap in technology and computer science and that's what we hope to combine between engineering and computer science and it's where engineering meets medicine.

11) B-roll of people touring CEPM

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