

ENSURING THE FUTURE OF RHEUMATOLOGY

The mission of the Rheumatology Research Foundation is advancing research and training to improve the health of people with rheumatic diseases. The Foundation is the largest private funding source of rheumatology training and research programs in the United States. From July 2014 through June 2015, the Foundation will commit more than \$13 million through an extensive grants portfolio to fund essential training and research for medical students and residents exploring rheumatology, young investigators with novel research ideas, rheumatology health professionals and rheumatology career-investigators exploring innovative studies, all of which are listed on the following pages. These individuals have demonstrated that they are the brightest minds in the field dedicated to groundbreaking research that advances patient care and accelerates discoveries.

We would like to extend our sincerest congratulations to the award recipients. We believe they will continue to move the field toward a brighter future. Together we can advance treatment and find cures.



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The Rheumatology Research Foundation is a highly effective medical research organization with remarkable efficiency in directing donor dollars to its mission, which has earned the Foundation a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, America's largest independent evaluator of charities, and the GuideStar Exchange Gold participant level.



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MEMORIAL LECTURESHIPS

Endowed lectureships support rheumatology research and honor the lives of four outstanding physicians.

Edmund L. Dubois, MD Memorial LectureshipPresented by: Carolina Landolt-Marticorena, MD, PhD

Oscar S. Gluck, MD Memorial Lectureship Presented by: Roland Baron, DDS, PhD

Paul Klemperer, MD Memorial Lectureship Presented by: Lars Klareskog, MD, PhD

Memorial Lectureship, In Honor of Dr. Stephen E. Malawista Presented by: Robert Terkeltaub, MD

STUDENT AND RESIDENT ACR/ARHP ANNUAL MEETING SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the Student & Resident ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting Scholarship is to introduce students and residents in areas of the United States underserved by rheumatologists and rheumatology health professionals to the specialty of rheumatology and rheumatology-related health care in order to better serve patients with rheumatic diseases.

Hamayon Babary, MD

University Of Nevada School Of Medicine, Las Vegas

Amanda Backs

Creighton University School of Medicine

Luke Barre MD, BSc

Roger Williams Medical Center

Varun Bhalla MSIV

University of Arizona

Angela Marie Christensen, MD

Tulane Medical Center

Brian Coburn

University of Nebraska Medical Center

Molly Higgins

Medical University of South Carolina

Hannah Elizabeth Howard, BS

University of Oklahoma School of Community Medicine

Lisa Hunt, MD

Medical University of South Carolina

Matthew Husband

Medical University of South Carolina

Gagandeep Kaur, MD

University Of Nevada School Of Medicine, Las Vegas

Aneet Kaur, MBBS

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

Samara M Khalique, MD

Louisiana State University Health Science Center

Kerry M. Leehan, MS

University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center

Marci Macaraeg

University of Arizona College of Medicine

Jacob Mathew Jr., DO

Tripler Army Medical Center

Nadine N. Mbuyi

Roger Williams Medical Center, Boston University School of Medicine

Catherine Najem, MD

Roger Williams Medical Center

Shanley Marie O'Brien, MD

University of Kansas Medical Center

Kevin V. Plumley, MD, MPH

Roger Williams Medical Center, Boston University School of Medicine

Adam Przebinda, MD

University of Oklahoma College of Medicine

Daphne Scaramangas-Plumley, MD

Roger Williams Medical Center, Boston University School of Medicine

Daniel Shelton, OTS

Medical University of South Carolina

Stacy Tanner, MD

University of Utah

Cara D. Varley, MPH

Oregon Health & Science University

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The purpose of the Student Achievement Award is to recognize medical or graduate students for significant work in the field of rheumatology by providing an opportunity for students to attend the ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting.

Abhimanyu Amarnani

SUNY Downstate Medical Center

Alexandra H. Antonioli, BS

University of Colorado Medical School

Julia R. Ayeroff, MA

University of Southern California

Desiree R. Azizoddin, MA

Loma Linda University, Loma Linda

Gautam Edhayan

University of Michigan

Christopher Ferrigno

Rush University

Ryan William Gan, MPH

Colorado School of Public Health

Rufei Lu, BS

University of Oklahoma Health Science Center

Gabrielle Paul

The Ohio State University College of Medicine

Rachael Philips, BS

Mayo Clinic

Laura Plantinga, ScM

Emory University

Julia Rood

Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

Jennifer M.P. Woo, MPH

UW-Milwaukee Joseph J. Zilber School of Public Health

MEDICAL AND PEDIATRIC RESIDENT RESEARCH AWARD

The purpose of the Medical and Pediatric Resident Research Award is to motivate residents to pursue subspecialty training in rheumatology by providing the opportunity to experience rheumatology first-hand at the ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting.

Micaela F. Bayard, MD

New York Hospital Queens/ Weill Cornell Medical College

Audrey Jan Bearden, MD

The University of Missouri - Kansas City

Kevin Byram, MD

Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Paras Karmacharya, MD

Reading Health System

Sarah B. Lieber, MD

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Gihyun Myung, MD

Cedars Sinai Medical Center

PEDIATRIC RESEARCH AWARD

The purpose of the Pediatric Research Award is to promote scholarship in the field of pediatric rheumatology, recognize outstanding abstracts and provide an opportunity to attend the ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting. Funding for this award is made possible through an endowment provided by Amgen, Inc.

Nicole Ling, MD University of California, San Francisco

Monica Mahajan, MD Akron Children's Hospital **Alysha Jo Taxter, MD**The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Lehn Weaver, MD, PhDThe Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

MARSHALL J. SCHIFF, MD, MEMORIAL FELLOW RESEARCH AWARD

The purpose of the Marshall J. Schiff, MD, Memorial Fellow Research Award is to recognize outstanding scholarship in the field of rheumatology and provide fellows-in-training who authored or co-authored an abstract submitted to the ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting an opportunity to attend the meeting to present their abstract. *Funding for this award is made possible through an endowment from Dr. and Mrs. Michael H. Schiff and friends.*



Daniel Benjamin Horton, MDUniversity of Pennsylvania; Nemours duPont Hospital for Children,
Thomas Jefferson University



Hanna Kim, MD Children's National Medical Center

The Foundation is the largest private funding source of rheumatology research and training in the United States.



CLINICAL TRIALS = \$1,000,000 TARGETED RESEARCH = \$6,375,000 CAREER DEVELOPMENT = \$4,112,500 EDUCATION AND TRAINING = \$1,739,750

*AMOUNTS FOR FY2015





MEDICAL STUDENT CLINICAL PRECEPTORSHIP

The purpose of the Medical Student Clinical Preceptorship is to introduce students to the specialty of rheumatology by supporting a full-time clinical experience.

Ikechukwu K. Amobi, BS

Preceptor: Gail Kerr, MD Howard University Hospital

Crystal E. Babb, BA

Preceptor: Gail Kerr, MD Howard University Hospital

Michelle Bobrow, BS

Preceptor: James Jarvis, MD University at Buffalo Clinical and Translational Research Center

Hannah Brummer

Preceptor: Teresa Hennon, MD Women & Children's Hospital of Buffalo

Justin Costello, BA

Preceptor: Diane L. Kamen, MD, MSCR Medical University of South Carolina

Hayley Crossman, BS

Preceptor: Robert W. Janson, MD Denver VA Medical Center

Maricruz Domínguez-Quintana

Preceptor: Juanita Romero-Díaz, MD Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición Salvador Zubirán

David Nazaeth Faz-Munoz

Preceptor: Gabriela Hernandez-Molina, MD, MSc Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición Salvador Zubirán

Julieta Ibarra, BS

Preceptor: Senada Arabelovic, DO Tufts Medical Center

Sara Koenig McLaughlin, PhD

Preceptor: Seetha Monrad, MD University of Michigan Medical School

Brian Le

Preceptor: Laura Carbone, MD Georgia Regents University-Rheumatology

Allison Rice, BS

Preceptor: Diane L. Kamen, MD, MSCR Medical University of South Carolina

Kenny Rodriguez, BS

Preceptor: Joel Hirsh, MD Denver Health

Rafael C. Wabl

Preceptor: Manisha Sharma, MD USCF Fresno Medical Education Program

Timothy Yen, BA

Preceptor: Sam Dalvi, MD Duke University Medical Center

MEDICAL STUDENT RESEARCH PRECEPTORSHIP

The purpose of the Medical Student Research Preceptorship is to introduce students to the specialty of rheumatology by supporting a full-time research experience.

Joseph Adu

Preceptor: Leslie J. Crofford, MD Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Hazem Albandar

Preceptor: Wenhai Shao, PhD Temple University School of Medicine

Marie Baumeister, BS

Preceptor: Marissa Blum, MD, MS Temple University School of Medicine

Murtaza Bharmal, BS

Preceptor: Edward S. Leib, MD University of Vermont College of Medicine

Carol Gainey Bledsoe

Preceptor: Lisa Anne Davis, MD MSCS Denver Health

Katelyn Burgess

Preceptor: Sampath Prahalad, MD, MSc Emory University

Marshall L.R. Davis, MPH

Preceptor: Ted R. Mikuls, MD, MSPH University of Nebraska Medical Center

Mengying Guo, BS

Preceptor: Judyann C. Olson, MD Medical College of Wisconsin

Gregory M. Ingolia

Preceptor: Kevin D. Deane, MD, PhD University of Colorado

Sarah Kelso, BS

Preceptor: Bonita S. Libman MD University of Vermont

Alisa N. Li

Preceptor: James N. Jarvis, MD University at Buffalo

Yuxin Liu, BS

Preceptor: Andras Perl, MD, PhD SUNY Upstate Medical University

Theresa K. Mattingly, BS

Preceptor: Alfred H. Kim, MD, PhD Washington University

Alireza Mofrad, MSc

Preceptor: Richard S. Panush, MD, MACP, MACR Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California

Briana Kathleen Ply

Preceptor: Diane L. Kamen, MD, MSCR Medical University of South Carolina

Debbie Rybak, MD, MS

Preceptor: Chaim Putterman, MD Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Joo Yeon Ryu, MD

Preceptor: Ram Raj Singh, MD University of California, Los Angeles

Anastasia Slobodick, BA

Preceptor: Michael H. Pillinger, MD New York University School of Medicine

Anne Song, MS

Preceptor: M. Elaine Husni, MD, MPH Cleveland Clinic

Kellie Young, BS

Preceptor: Lindsey A. Criswell, MD, MPH, DSc University of California, San Francisco

Allison J. Zoch, BA

Preceptor: Bryce A. Binstadt, MD, PhD University of Minnesota

HEALTH PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH PRECEPTORSHIP

The purpose of the Health Professional Research Preceptorship is to introduce students to rheumatology-related health care by supporting full-time research by a graduate student in the broad area of rheumatic disease.

Kelley Battle Beck, MS

Preceptor: Carol M. Greco, PhD University of Pittsburgh Medical School

Michael B. Cole, BS

Preceptor: Lindsey A. Criswell, MD, MPH, DSc University of California, San Francisco

Giovanna I. Cruz, MSc, MS

Preceptor: Lindsey A. Criswell, MD, MPH, DSc University of California, San Francisco

Vanessa Delisle, MSc

Preceptor: Brett Thombs, PhD McGill University and Jewish General Hospital

Rina Fox, MS

Preceptor: Vanessa L. Malcarne, PhD San Diego State University

Miguel-Angel Gutierrez, PhD Candidate

Preceptor: Ram Raj Singh, MD University of California, Los Angeles

Nick Huang, BS

Preceptor: Andras Perl, MD, PhD
State University of New York, Upstate Medical
University

Lisa R. Jewett, BA, MSc

Preceptor: Brett D. Thombs, PhD McGill University and Jewish General Hospital

Sarah Mills, MS

Preceptor: Vanessa L. Malcarne, PhD San Diego State University

Sebastian G. Placide, BA

Preceptor: Robert R. McLean, DSc, MPH Hebrew SeniorLife Institute for Aging Research

Priti Prasad, BS, MS

Preceptor: Ram Raj Singh, MD University of California, Los Angeles

Brooke Rhead

Preceptor: Lindsey Criswell, MD, MPH University of California, San Francisco

Shao Yong Tao, BS

Preceptor: Cong Qui Chu, MD, PhD
Portland VA Medical Center/ Portland VA
Research Foundation

RESIDENT RESEARCH PRECEPTORSHIP

The purpose of the Resident Research Preceptorship is to introduce residents to the specialty of rheumatology by supporting a full-time research experience with the goal of attracting promising physician scientists to the field of rheumatology.



Monique Bethel, MDPreceptor: Laura D. Carbone, MD, MS
Georgia Regents University



Viet L. Bui, MD, PhD
Preceptor: Ram Raj Singh, MD
UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine



Sophia Cenac, MD Preceptor: Lesley Ann Saketkoo, MD, MPH Louisiana State University



Bryant England, MDPreceptor: Ted R. Mikuls, MD, MSPH
University of Nebraska Medical Center



David Ewart, MDPreceptor: Erik J. Peterson, MD
University of Minnesota



Ying Liu, MD, MPHPreceptor: Jon Giles, MD, MPH
Columbia University Medical Center



Merrideth Ashley Morris, MD
Preceptor: Richard M. Silver, MD
Medical University of South Carolina



Melissa Wang, MD, MHAPreceptor: George F. Moxley, MD
Virginia Commonwealth University



Katherine Wysham, MDPreceptor: Edward Yelin, PhD
University of California, San Francisco



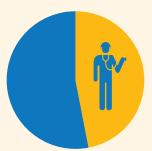
MaryAnn Zhang, MDPreceptor: Tuhina Neogi, MD, PhD, FRCPC
Boston University School of Medicine

EPHRAIM P. ENGLEMAN ENDOWED RESIDENT RESEARCH PRECEPTORSHIP

The purpose of the Ephraim P. Engleman Endowed Resident Research Preceptorship is to introduce residents to the specialty of rheumatology by supporting a full-time research experience with the goal of attracting promising physician scientists to the field of rheumatology. Funding for this award is made possible through an endowment from Dr. Ephraim P. Engleman.



Kashif A. Jafri, MDPreceptor: Peter Merkel, MD, MPH
University of Pennsylvania



Nearly half of those who complete foundation preceptorships choose rheumatology as their subspecialty

EDUCATION AND TRAINING AWARD RECIPIENTS

Recruiting more quality rheumatology professionals starts with strong academic training centers. The Foundation is the only organization dedicated to strengthening the national rheumatology academic training environment. These awards help to cultivate future generations of rheumatologists and rheumatology health professionals.

DEMAND FOR RHEUMATOLOGISTS

IS EXPECTED TO JUMP 46% BY 2025 WHILE THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF RHEUMATOLOGISTS IS EXPECTED TO ONLY INCREASE BY 1.2%.



1.2% ACTUAL WORKFORCE

CITATION: ACR'S WORKFORCE STUDY PUBLISHED IN ARTHRITIS & RHEUMATISM

AMGEN FELLOWSHIP TRAINING AWARD

The purpose of the Amgen Fellowship Training Award is to provide support to fellows in rheumatology and to help ensure a diverse and highly trained workforce is available to provide competent clinical care to those affected by rheumatic disease. Funding for this award is made possible through the financial support of Amgen, Inc.

Stanley P. Ballou, MD

Case Western Reserve University at MetroHealth Medical Center

Bryce A. Binstadt, MD, PhD University of Minnesota

Marcy B. Bolster, MD Massachusetts General Hospital

Ernest Brahn, MD UCLA School of Medicine

Richard Brasington, MD, FACP Washington University School of Medicine

Amy C. Cannella, MD University of Nebraska Medical Center Peter Chira, MD, MS

Indiana University School of Medicine, Riley Hospital for Children

Christopher E. Collins, MD MedStar Washington Hospital Center

Lisa G. Criscione-Schreiber, MD **Duke University**

Chris T. Derk, MD, MS University of Pennsylvania

Raymond H. Flores, MD University of Maryland Hospital

Howard A. Fuchs, MD Vanderbilt University Medical Center

AMGEN FELLOWSHIP TRAINING AWARD (CONTINUED)

Gregory C. Gardner, MD, FACP University of Washington

Simon M. Helfgott, MDBrigham and Women's Hospital

Jennifer L. Huggins, MDCincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Beth L. Jonas, MDUniversity of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Robert A. Kalish, MDTufts Medical Center

Erica F. Lawson, MDUniversity of California, San Francisco

Tzielan C. Lee, MDStanford University

Bonita S. Libman, MDUniversity of Vermont

Vikas Majithia, MDUniversity of Mississippi Medical Center

Anne G. Minenko, MD, FRCPCUniversity of Minnesota Medical School

Eyal Muscal, MDBaylor College of Medicine

Philip Seo, MD, MHS
Johns Hopkins University

Eric S. Sobel, MD, PhD University of Florida

Virginia D. Steen, MD Georgetown University

Robert Terkeltaub, MD University of California, San Diego

Tammy O. Utset, MDThe University of Chicago

Heather Van Mater, MDDuke University

PAULA DE MERIEUX FELLOWSHIP TRAINING AWARD

The purpose of the Paula de Merieux Fellowship Training Award is to ensure a diverse and highly trained work force is available to provide competent clinical care to patients with rheumatic disease by supplying funds to pay for one year of rheumatology training for a fellow who is an underrepresented minority or a woman. Funding for this award is made possible by an endowment from the estate of Paula de Merieux, MD.

Rory M. Marks, MBBS, FRACP University of Michigan

TRAINING PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The purpose of this award is to help ensure that a diverse and highly trained workforce is available to provide competent clinical care to those affected by rheumatic diseases.

Anne Davidson, MBBSFeinstein Institute for Medical Research

Samina Q. Hayat, MD Louisiana State University



There are more than 240K children for every one board certified pediatric rheumatologist * in the United States.

Citation: http://bit.ly/1nZ2FGB

PEDIATRIC VISITING PROFESSORSHIP

The purpose of the Pediatric Visiting Professorship is to provide valuable exposure to pediatric rheumatology for medical students and residents by connecting a board-certified professor of pediatric rheumatology with an academic institution where no established pediatric rheumatology expertise exists. *Funding for this award is made possible through an endowment provided by Amgen, Inc.*

John F. Bohnsack, MD to visit University of Arizona Program

Randy Q. Cron, MD, PhD to visit Albany Medical Center

Michael Henrickson, MD, MPH to visit University of Toledo

James N. Jarvis, MD to visit Meharry Medical College

Suzanne C. Li, MD, PhD to visit The Unterberg Children's Hospital at Monmouth Medical Center

Katherine A.B. Marzan, MD to visit University of California, Davis Health System Program Karen Onel, MD

to visit University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria Program

C. Egla Rabinovich, MD, MPH to visit Marshfield Clinic

Ann M. Reed, MD to visit Oregon Health Sciences University

David D. Sherry, MD to visit West Virginia University

Richard K. Vehe, MD to visit University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine

Andrew J. White, MD to visit University of Oklahoma College of Medicine-Tulsa Program

HEALTH PROFESSIONAL ONLINE EDUCATION GRANT

The purpose of the Health Professional Online Education Grant is to increase the knowledge and skills of rheumatology health professionals to meet the needs of a growing rheumatology patient population by providing registration costs to complete either the *Fundamentals of Rheumatology Course* or the *Advanced Rheumatology Course*.

David Buys, PAIdaho Falls Arthritis Clinic

Bethany R. Crum, RN, BSN University of Kansas Physicians

Hope S. Davis, MS, ATC, PA-CDeKalb Medical Specialty

Trevor E. Davis, MDTufts Medical Center, Beth Israel Deaconess
Medical Center

Jessica F. Farrell, PharmD

Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

Brenda Lee Frie, MA, OTR/L CHT St. Catherine University

Tricia Fuller, RN, BSN, MS, FNPDuke University

Natalie R. Gomez, APRN-NP Children's Hospital and Medical Center **Alice Liao, NP**North East Medical Services

Kelley R. Magadan, AAS-Professional Nursing University of Kansas

Laura Marquez, MSN, RN, FNP Centro San Vicente

Eileen Pagano, CPNPMethodist LeBonhuer Healthcare

Beth Sylvester, MSNThomas Jefferson University

Melissa Foster Rietz, MSc, FNP-BC Presbyterian Medical Services

Gayle Lea Yankee, BSN, MSN, RN, CS (FNP) Lansing Rheumatology

Ronald Yglesias, MD AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center

CLINICIAN SCHOLAR EDUCATOR AWARD

The purpose of the Clinician Scholar Educator Award is to develop and support educators who are dedicated to providing a high-quality clinical educational experience to future rheumatologists and rheumatology health professionals. Through this award, scholars should demonstrate their goal of developing a career in education and training with the aim of enhancing education in musculoskeletal and rheumatic diseases.



Maria Dall'Era, MD
University of California, San Francisco
Virtual patient simulation for rheumatology education



Eli M. Miloslavsky, MD

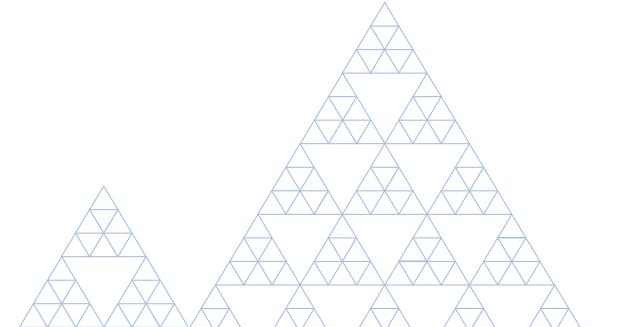
Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School

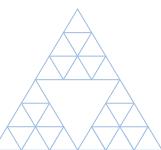
Improving the Resident-Fellow Teaching Interaction Through the Fellow As

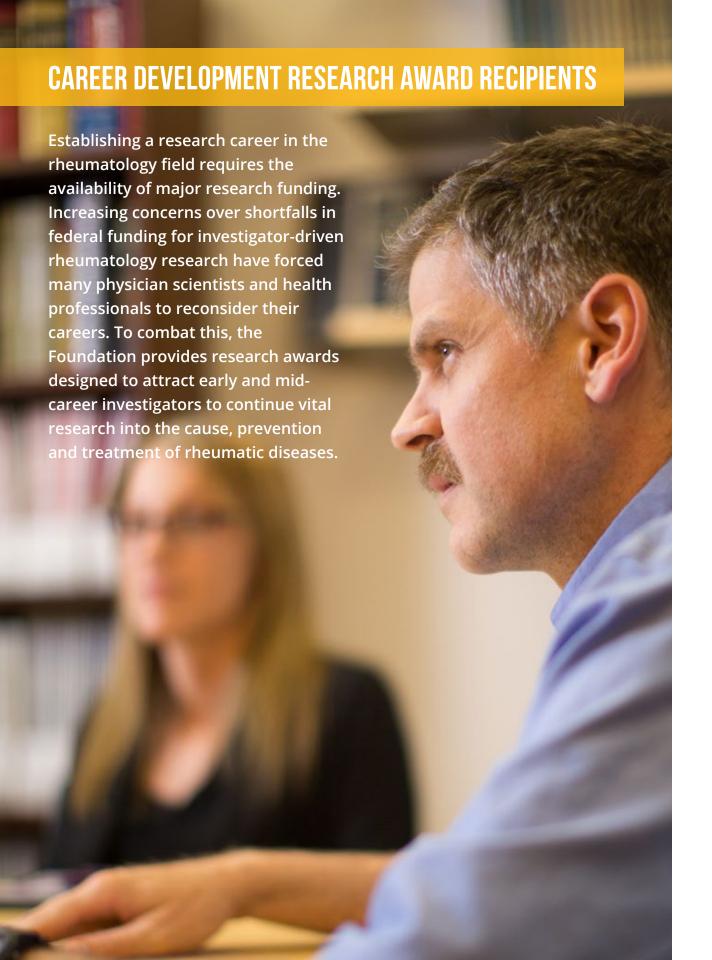
Clinical Teacher (FACT) Curriculum



Jennifer E. Sloane, MD
Thomas Jefferson University
The Utility of an Inverted Curriculum in a 2nd Year Medical
Student Rheumatology Class







SCIENTIST DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The purpose of the Scientist Development Award is to provide support for a structured clinical or basic science research training program for rheumatologists or health professionals in the field of rheumatology. This award is designed for individuals in the early stages of their career or those without significant prior research experience who plan to embark on careers in biomedical and/or clinical research in arthritis and rheumatic diseases.



Cornelia Diana Cudrici, MDNational Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases *AMPK: a new anti-inflammatory target for Methotrexate*



Alyssa B. Dufour, PhD Hebrew SeniorLife *Foot Problems, Obesity and Longitudinal Patterns of BMI*



Laura Geraldino Pardilla, MD, MSc Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons Anti-Ro Antibodies and conduction defects in SLE Adults



Sarthak Gupta, MBBSNational Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases *Anticytokine Autoantibodies in Autoimmune Diseases*



Lauren Ashley Henderson, MD, MMScBoston Children's Hospital
T Regulatory and Effector Cell Diversity and Phenotype in Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis



Ioannis Kalampokis, MD, MPHDuke University *IL-10-producing regulatory B cell ("B10 cell") development in systemic lupus erythematosus*



Mei Massengale, MD Massachusetts General Hospital Cellular Source and Niche for Cartilage Regeneration

SCIENTIST DEVELOPMENT AWARD (CONTINUED)



Ana-Maria Orbai, MD, MHSJohns Hopkins University School of Medicine *Health Related Quality of Life in Psoriatic Arthritis*



Ziv Paz, MD, MSc, MPHBeth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
The B subunits of PP2A regulate IL-2 production in SLE



Rennie L. Rhee, MD, MSCE
University of Pennsylvania
Long-Term Outcomes and Effectiveness of Treatment For Renal Disease Among
Patients With ANCA-Associated Vasculitis



Jeffrey A. Sparks, MD, MMScBrigham and Women's Hospital *Methotrexate Use and Infection in Rheumatoid Arthritis*



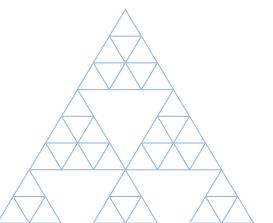
Gloria Salazar Cintora, MDUniversity of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
The Role of microRNA in Systemic Sclerosis



Robert Su, MDUniversity of California, San Francisco *Transcriptomic signatures and molecular stratification in sarcoidosis*



Jessica Ann Walsh, MD
George E. Wahlen Veteran Affairs Medical Center and University of Utah
Axial spondyloarthritis identification and mortality



TOBÉ AND STEPHEN E. MALAWISTA, MD, ENDOWMENT IN ACADEMIC RHEUMATOLOGY

The largest, named endowment at the Rheumatology Research Foundation established by a past president and member of the American College of Rheumatology provides a permanent source of support in basic science research career development of early career investigators. Established in 2014 with a generous commitment from Mrs. Tobé and Dr. Stephen Malawista, who served his entire career at Yale University, this endowment ensures that physician scientists are able to continue their academic careers in vital rheumatic disease research. Annually, the Foundation's Scientific Advisory Council chooses an outstanding recipient of the Scientist Development or Investigator Awards to receive the Malawista designation.



Alice Chan, MD, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
Characterizing a novel multiorgan autoimmunity gene

INVESTIGATOR AWARD

The purpose of the Investigator Award is to support investigators engaged in research relevant to rheumatic diseases for the period between the completion of post-doctoral fellowship training and establishment as an independent investigator. The award is intended to support junior investigators during the period that they are developing a project that will be competitive for NIH funding.



Alfred Hyoungju Kim, MD, PhD
Washington University School of Medicine
The role of cytokines in glomerular injury



Kevin Douglas Gross, DPT, ScDMGH Institute of Health Professions
The Relation of Foot Mechanics to Medial Knee Load and Osteoarthritis Risk



Adam Mor, MD, PhD
New York University School of Medicine
Targeting T cell adhesion in Rheumatoid Arthritis



Joshua J. Stefanik, PhD, MSPT Boston University Identifying cases of PFJ OA & their hip impairments

CAREER DEVELOPMENT BRIDGE FUNDING AWARD: K BRIDGE

The purpose of the Career Development Bridge Funding Award: K Bridge is to provide bridge funding for promising investigators as they are revising outstanding career development awards (e.g., NIH K08/K23 awards or VA CDA-2 awards). Through this bridge funding award, the Foundation supports junior faculty members so they have the highest likelihood of achieving success in obtaining longer-term career development awards.



Trevor E. Davis, MDBeth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
Immune Cell microRNA Expression and Cell Signaling in Pediatric SLE



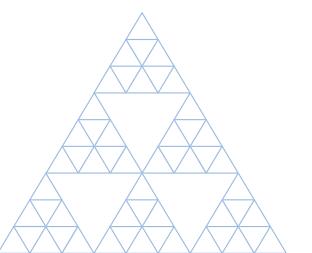
Aimee O. Hersh, MDUniversity of Utah
Adult Outcomes of Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis



Dana E. Orange, MD, MSThe Rockefeller University
RNA fluctuations as a measure of RA disease activity



Daniel K. White, PT, ScD
University of Delaware
Prevention of pain and functional limitation in people at high risk of knee OA
through physical activity



CAREER DEVELOPMENT BRIDGE FUNDING AWARD: K SUPPLEMENT

The purpose of the Career Development Bridge Funding Award: K Supplement is to address the needs of junior investigators who have limited resources to cover research costs and are attempting to transition into being independent investigators. This award serves as a supplement to the NIH K08/K23, VA CDA, or equivalent four- or five-year award mechanism.



Julia Charles, MD, PhD
Brigham and Women's Hospital
Osteoclast dependent mesenchymal proliferation in osteoclast rich osteoporosis



Amit Golding, MD, PhD
VAMC/VAMHCS, Research and Development/Medical Services
University of Maryland School of Medicine
Aberrant Treg Suppression of B cells in SLE



Jeremy Sokolove, MD
Palo Alto Veterans Institute for Research
Citrullinated antigens bridge innate and adaptive immunity in RA



Laura Su, MD, PhD
University of Pennsylvania
The Characteristics of Self-recognizing CD4 T Cells in Rheumatoid Arthritis



Kathryn S. Torok, MDUniversity of Pittsburgh Medical Center *Immunophenotyping active disease in localized scleroderma*



Jinoos Yazdany, MD
University of California, San Francisco
Using electronic health records to drive novel lupus research

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Mara L. Becker, MD, MSCE Children's Mercy Integrated Approach to Individualizing Therapy with MTX in JIA



Teresa Tarrant, MDUniversity of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
G18 regulates autoimmune pathophysiology in arthritis



Julie Zikherman, MD University of California, San Francisco Probing BCR signaling in germinal center selection

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Joerg Ermann, MD
Brigham and Women's Hospital
Cellular and molecular regulation of the IL-23 - IL-17A axis in spondyloarthritis



Gary S. Firestein, MD
University of California, San Diego
Histone Marks in Rheumatoid Arthritis Synoviocytes



Anthony R. French, MD, PhDWashington University
Single Cell Mass Cytometry Profiling of Immune Responses in Polyarticular JIA



Katherine P. Liao, MD, MPHBrigham and Women's Hospital
Anti-citrullinated peptide antibodies and risk of coronary artery disease in RA



Kamal D. Moudgil, MD, PhD
University of Maryland School of Medicine
Exploiting novel peptide ligands for cytokine-based targeted therapy of arthritis

DISEASE TARGETED INNOVATIVE RESEARCH GRANTS

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Nunzio Bottini, MD, PhDLa Jolla Institute for Allergy and Immunology
Functional genetics of PTPN2, a major arthritis gene



Hyon Choi, MD, DrPHMassachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School *Methodologic Remedies for Risk Factor Paradoxes in Inflammatory Arthritides*



Joseph E. Craft, MD
Yale University
Studying Monocytes and iPS Cells in RA



Leslie J. Crofford, MDVanderbilt University
Peripheral Mechanisms of Fatigue in Inflammatory Arthritis



Ellen M. Gravallese, MDUniversity of Massachusetts
Epigenetic Control of Bone in Rheumatoid Arthritis



Kathryn Haskins, PhDUniversity of Colorado, Denver
Pathogenic T Cells in a Mouse Model of Rheumatoid Arthritis



Joseph Holoshitz, MD University of Michigan A Novel Therapeutic Paradigm in Rheumatoid Arthritis



Jeffrey M. Karp, PhD
Brigham and Women's Hospital
Inflammation responsive treatment of inflammatory arthritis via on-demand drug delivery



Kaleb D. Michaud, PhDUniversity of Nebraska Medical Center
Electronic Mobile Health Tool for Improving Patient Assessment in the Clinic



Iris Navarro-Millan, MD
University of Alabama at Birmingham
PROs in Inflammatory Arthritis: Electronic Capture to Improve Patient Outcomes



Timothy B. Niewold, MDMayo Clinic
Type I Interferon as a Predictor of Anti-TNF Response



Harris R. Perlman, PhDNorthwestern University
The role of non-classical monocytes and resident synovial macrophages in RA



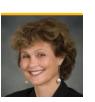
Christopher T. Ritchlin, MD, MPH
University of Rochester Medical Center
Serum, Cellular and Imaging Markers of Arthritis in Psoriasis Patients



Inez Rogatsky, PhDHospital for Special Surgery
Anti-inflammatory actions of transcription cofactor GRIP1 in rheumatoid arthritis



Jeremy Sokolove, MD
Palo Alto Veterans Institute for Research
Anti-Citrullinated Protein Antibodies as Biomarkers of Cardiovascular Risk in RA



Maria E. Suarez-Almazor, MD, PhD
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
Effects of Social Networking on Chronic Disease Management in Arthritis

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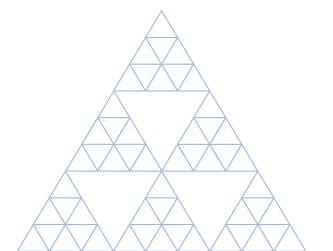
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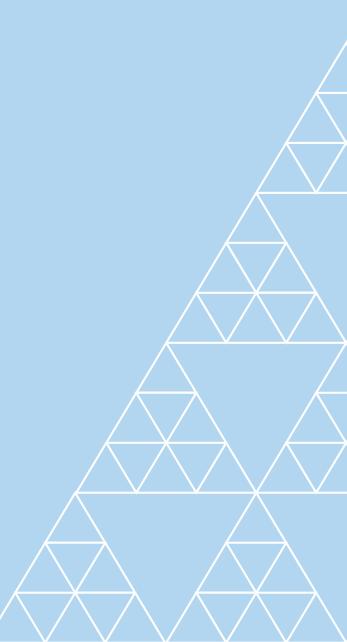
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