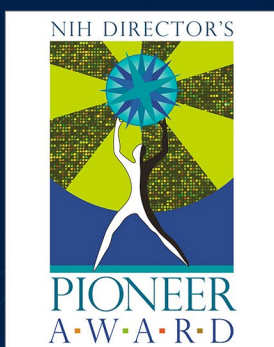


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2019 HIGH-RISK, HIGH-REWARD RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

PROGRAM BOOK



June 5 – 7, 2019

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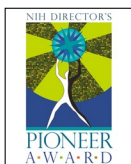
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Program Description



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The NIH Common Fund's High-Risk, High-Reward Research program was created to accelerate the pace of biomedical, behavioral, and social science discoveries by supporting exceptionally creative scientists with highly innovative research ideas of unusually broad impact. Four initiatives within this program—the NIH Director's Pioneer, New Innovator, Transformative Research, and Early Independence Awards—serve distinct purposes in achieving this goal.



Pioneer Award: Supports individual scientists of exceptional creativity at any career stage who propose bold, pioneering approaches to address major challenges.



New Innovator Award: Supports unusually creative early career stage investigators with highly innovative research ideas with the potential for broad impact.



Transformative Research Award: Supports individuals or teams proposing exceptionally innovative and/or unconventional research projects that have the potential to create or overturn fundamental paradigms.



Early Independence Award: Provides a mechanism for outstanding junior scientists to move rapidly into independent research positions by omitting the traditional postdoctoral training period.

Agenda



Wednesday, June 5, 2019

9:00 a.m. **Francis Collins**, NIH
Opening Remarks

Session 1

- 9:15 a.m. **Dana Pe'er**, Sloan Kettering Institute
The Emergent Landscape of the Mouse Gut Endoderm at Single-Cell Resolution (Pioneer Award; *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development^{*#}; National Institute of General Medical Sciences^{\$})
- 9:35 a.m. **Deepika Mohan**, University of Pittsburgh
How Do Doctors Think? Using Video Games to Modify Physician Decision Making (New Innovator Award; National Library of Medicine^{*#})
- 9:55 a.m. **Alexander Gimelbrant**, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
How to Reactivate Silenced Alleles in Genes with Monoallelic Expression (Transformative Research Award; National Institute of General Medical Sciences^{*#})
- 10:15 a.m. Break

Session 2

- 10:35 a.m. **Amy Palmer**, University of Colorado
Regulation of Cell Signaling by Zinc Dynamics (Pioneer Award; National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health^{\$}; National Institute of General Medical Sciences^{*#})
- 10:55 a.m. **Gabriel Lander**, The Scripps Research Institute
Investigating the Mechanisms of Molecular Motors with Cryo-EM (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering^{*#})

11:15 a.m. Michael Angelo, Stanford University

High-Dimensional Imaging of Human Tissue Using MBI-TOF (Early Independence Award; National Cancer Institute^{\$}; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research[#])

11:40 a.m. Photos

12:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)

Session 3

1:30 p.m. Mala Murthy, Princeton University

Neural Mechanisms for Dynamic Acoustic Communication (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke^{**\$})

1:50 p.m. Chenxiang Lin, Yale University

DNA-Nanotechnology Enabled Membrane Engineering (New Innovator Award; National Institute of General Medical Sciences^{**})

2:10 p.m. Christine Hendon, Columbia University

High-Resolution Imaging of the Heart by Optical Coherence Tomography (New Innovator Award; National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute^{**})

2:30 p.m. Sheng Zhong, University of California, San Diego

Cell-Free RNA in a Single Droplet of Human Serum Reflects Physiologic and Disease States (Pioneer Award; *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development^{†**\$})

2:50 p.m. Weian Zhao, University of California, Irvine

Targeting Biophysical Cues to Study, Diagnose, and Treat Cancer (New Innovator Award; National Cancer Institute^{**})

Poster Session 1

3:10–5:00 p.m. Poster Session and NIH Staff Office Hours

Networking Session 1

5:30–6:30 p.m. Networking Event and Happy Hour at the hotel rooftop bar

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Thursday, June 6, 2019

8:30 a.m. James Anderson, NIH

Remarks

8:40 a.m. Ravi Basavappa, NIH

High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program Update

Session 4

8:50 a.m. Gregor Neuert, Vanderbilt University

Quantitative Understanding of Single-Cell Responses to Kinetic Pathway Stimulation (New Innovator Award; National Institute of General Medical Sciences^{*,#})

9:10 a.m. Mark Andermann, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Reactivation of Salient Experiences in Association Cortex Links Cues to Outcomes (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases^{*,#})

9:30 a.m. Gwendalyn Randolph, Washington University in St. Louis

Altered Lymphatic Transport and Metabolism of Chylomicrons in Crohn's Disease (Pioneer Award; National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases^{*,#})

9:50 a.m. Amanda Randles, Duke University

Simulating Hemodynamics in the Human Vasculature on the Systemic Scale at Cellular Resolution (Early Independence Award; National Cancer Institute[§]; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research[#])

10:10 a.m. Break

Session 5

10:30 a.m. Leonard Lipovich, Wayne State University

Forward and Reverse Genetics Identifies Primate-Specific Long Non-Coding RNA Genes as Contributors to and Therapeutics Targets in Cancer and Diabetes (New Innovator Award; National Cancer Institute^{*,#})

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- 10:50 a.m. Hu Cang**, Salk Institute for Biological Studies
Expansion Microscopy Reveals a Fibrous Scaffold of Human Chromosomes (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering*)
- 11:10 a.m. Chang Liu**, University of California, Irvine
Synthetic Genetic Systems for Rapid Mutation and Continuous Evolution *In Vivo* (New Innovator Award; National Institute of General Medical Sciences*)
- 11:30 a.m. Ramsey Badawi and Simon Cherry**, University of California, Davis
EXPLORER: Initial Human Studies from the First Medical Scanner That Simultaneously Captures 3-D Images of the Entire Human Body (Transformative Research Award; National Cancer Institute*; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering*)
- 11:50 a.m. Cato Laurencin**, University of Connecticut
Regenerative Engineering: Convergence of Material Importance (Pioneer Award; National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases*)
- 12:10 p.m.** Lunch (on your own)

Session 6

- 1:40 p.m. Nancy Allbritton, Scott Bultman, Shawn Gomez, and Scott Magness**, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Development of Human Intestinal Simulacra (Transformative Research Award; National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health*; National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases*; National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences*)
- 2:00 p.m. Steven Schiff**, The Pennsylvania State University
Control of the Neonatal Septisome and Hydrocephalus in Sub-Saharan Africa (Pioneer Award; John E. Fogarty International Center*; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development*; National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke*)

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2:20 p.m. Daniel Jarosz, Stanford University

Remembering the Past: A New Form of Protein-Based Inheritance (New Innovator Award; National Institute of General Medical Sciences*#§)

2:40 p.m. Robert Judson-Torres, The University of Utah

The Recreationally Used “Barbie Drug,” Melanotan II, Induces Aggressive Behavior in Human Melanoma Cells

(Early Independence Award; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research*)

Poster Session 2

3:00–5:00 p.m. Poster Session and NIH Staff Office Hours

Networking Session 2

5:30–6:30 p.m. Happy Hour at the hotel rooftop bar

Friday, June 7, 2019

Session 7

8:30 a.m. Michael McAlpine, University of Minnesota

3-D Printed Nano-Bionic Organs (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering*#)

8:50 a.m. Denise Montell, University of California, Santa Barbara

Near-Death Experiences at the Cellular Level (Pioneer Award; National Cancer Institute*#§)

9:10 a.m. Marie Bragg, New York University School of Medicine

Does Racially Targeted Food Advertising Work? Black Adolescents Show Stronger Preferences for Racially Congruent Food Ads Than White Adolescents (Early Independence Award; National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute§; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research#; National Library of Medicine§)

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- 9:30 a.m. Shahin Rafii**, Weill Cornell Medicine
Programming Adaptable Human Vascular Niche Cells for Organotypic Stem Cell Regeneration (Transformative Research Award; National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute^{*#}\$)
- 9:50 a.m.** Break

Session 8

- 10:10 a.m. Wendell Lim**, University of California, San Francisco
Redesigning the T Cell (Transformative Research Award; National Cancer Institute^{*#}\$; National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases^{\$})
- 10:30 a.m. Chenghua Gu**, Harvard Medical School
Molecular Mechanisms Governing the Function of the Blood-Brain Barrier (Pioneer Award; National Cancer Institute^{\$}; National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke^{*#}\$)
- 10:50 a.m. Sarah Cobey**, The University of Chicago
Natural and Artificial Selection on Influenza Viruses (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases^{*#})
- 11:10 a.m. Andrew Goodwin**, University of Colorado
In Search of *In Vivo* Biopsy: Studies in Stimulus-Responsive Colloids for Biosensing (New Innovator Award; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering^{*#})
- 11:30 a.m. Sanjay Jain**, Johns Hopkins University
Bugs, Drugs, and the Local Milieu: Using Molecular Imaging to Gain New Insights (Transformative Research Award; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering^{*#}\$)
- 11:50 a.m.** Closing Remarks
- 12:00–5:00 p.m.** Informal opportunities for awardee networking

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Poster Sessions



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Usama Bilal

Drexel University

Urban Scaling of Mortality in U.S. Cities

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Marie-Abele Bind

Harvard University

Bridging Observational Studies and Randomized Experiments by Embedding the Former in the Latter

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Alia Crum

Stanford University

Mind Over Genome? Learning One's Genetic Risk Changes Physiology Independent of Actual Genetic Risk

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Melissa Gymrek

University of California, San Diego

Multi-Tissue Analysis Reveals Short Tandem Repeats as Ubiquitous Regulators of Gene Expression and Complex Traits

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Sergey Ovchinnikov

Harvard University

Towards a Unified Model of Protein Evolution

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Manish Saggar

Stanford University

Using Brain Dynamics as a Lens to Anchor Psychiatric Nosology into Biological Features

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Steven Benner

Foundation for Applied Molecular Evolution

Transforming Life Sciences: Artificial Life

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Michael Erb

The Scripps Research Institute

Transcriptional Control of Leukemia Growth by ENL YEATS Inhibition

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Raymond Moellering

The University of Chicago

Taming Undruggable Targets with Novel Synthetic Biologics

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Nicholas Stephanopoulos

Arizona State University

Chemical Synthesis of Full-Length Proteins Using Sequential DNA-Templated Reactions

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Shawn Demehri

Massachusetts General Hospital

Immunotherapy Directed Against Skin Cancer Precursors Prevents Skin Cancer

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Sergei Doulatov

University of Washington

Hematopoietic Stem Cell Ontogeny and Clonal Evolution

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Rajan Jain

University of Pennsylvania

An LMNA Variant Causes Tissue-Specific Changes in Spatial Genome Organization and Cardiomyocyte Lineage Instability

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Michelle Janelins

University of Rochester

Clinical and Translational Approaches to Cognitive Impairments in Breast Cancer

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MAPK Pathway Activation Is Correlated with Glioblastoma Recognition by CD8+ T-Cells: Evidence of Immunoediting and Implications for Anti-PD-1 Immunotherapy

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[Nicola Mason and Aimee Payne](#)

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A Comparative Approach to De-Risking Next-Generation Cellular Immunotherapies for Cancer and Autoimmunity

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Translating Cellular Immunotherapies for Autoimmunity to Canine Clinical Trials

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[Carlos Vargas-Irwin](#)

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Synergistic Effector/Environment Encoding: A New Perspective on Motor Cortex and Brain-Computer Interfaces

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[The George Washington University](#)

3D Bioprinting Complex Vascularized Tissues

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[Paul Blainey](#)

[The Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard](#)

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[Luke Gilbert](#)

[University of California, San Francisco](#)

Mapping the Genetic Landscape of Human Cells

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[Greg Delgoffe](#)

[University of Pittsburgh](#)

Metabolic Symbiosis Between Tumor Cells and Regulatory T Cells Promotes Immunosuppression in Cancer

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Tijana Ivanovic

Brandeis University

Particle Size Variation Is a Viral Adaptation Strategy Against Changing Evolutionary Pressure

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Kevin King

University of California, San Diego

Emergency Hematopoiesis and the Sterile Tissue Injury Response

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Lingyin Li

Stanford University

2'3'-cGAMP Is an Immunotransmitter Produced by Cancer Cells and Regulated by ENPP1

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Steven Schiff

The Pennsylvania State University

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University of Pennsylvania

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Amy Wesolowski

Johns Hopkins University

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Anne Andrews

University of California, Los Angeles

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Eun Ji Chung

University of Southern California

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[University of Nebraska–Lincoln](#)

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[Xiaojing Zhang](#)

[Dartmouth College](#)

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[Mona Batish](#)

[University of Delaware](#)

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[Jessica Feldman](#)

[Stanford University](#)

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[The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center](#)

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Dissecting the Mechanisms Underlying Bacterial Shape: How Two Different Cytoskeletal Polymers Create Rod-Shaped Cells and Divide Them in Two

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Charles Gawad

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

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Sue Hammoud

University of Michigan Ann Arbor

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Scott Hansen

The Scripps Research Institute

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The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

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Prashant Mishra

The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

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Reyna Gordon

Vanderbilt University Medical Center

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Stowers Institute for Medical Research

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University of Colorado Boulder

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University of California, Irvine

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University of Kentucky

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Nikolai Slavov

Northeastern University

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Junjie Guo

Yale School of Medicine

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Denis Titov

University of California, Berkeley

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Elizabeth Villa

University of California, San Diego

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University of California, Berkeley

Super-Resolution Displacement Mapping of Unbound Single Molecules Reveals Nanoscale Heterogeneities in Intracellular Diffusivity

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[University of California, Riverside](#)

A Membrane Transporter Is Required for Steroid Hormone Uptake in *Drosophila*

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Real-Time Visualization of the Inception of Drug Tolerance in Single Melanoma Cells

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[Yongxin Zhao](#)

[Carnegie Mellon University](#)

New Expansion Microscopy Tools Towards Whole-Organism Nanoscale Imaging and Highly Multiplex Nanoscopy

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[Baylor College of Medicine](#)

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Northwestern University

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Stephen Smith and Randal Burns

Allen Institute for Brain Science and Johns Hopkins University

Synaptomes of Mouse and Man

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University of California, San Francisco

Identification of a Putative Vocalization Command Center

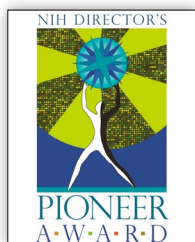
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Jesse Goldberg

Cornell University

Cortical Contribution to Lingual Kinematics as the Tongue Reaches for, and Misses, Targets

2019 Awardees



NIH Director's Pioneer Awardees

Janelle S. Ayres, Ph.D.

Salk Institute for Biological Studies

Host-Microbe Interactions: Harnessing Co-Evolution to Treat Disease

Daniel A. Colón-Ramos, Ph.D.

Yale University School of Medicine

Powering the Brain: The Cell Biology of Neuroenergetics

Christina Curtis, Ph.D., M.Sc.

Stanford University School of Medicine

Forecasting Tumor Evolution: Can the Past Reveal the Future?

Viviana Gradinaru, Ph.D.

California Institute of Technology

Circuit-Specific Delivery of Large Cargo Across the Nervous Systems of Adult Mammals and Embryos via Novel Engineered Systemic Vectors

Jonathan (Jony) Kipnis, Ph.D.

University of Virginia, School of Medicine

Neural Code of the Immune Responses

Hyungbae Kwon, Ph.D.

Max Planck Florida Institute for Neuroscience

Cracking the Neuromodulation Code at Single Cell Resolution

Michelle Monje, M.D., Ph.D.

Stanford University

Glioma Circuitry: Bridging Systems Neuroscience and Cancer

Gabriel D. Victora, Ph.D.

Rockefeller University

Quantifying Cell-Cell Interactions in the Immune System by Trans-Synaptic Labeling

Amy J. Wagers, Ph.D.

Harvard University, Harvard Medical School, and Joslin Diabetes Center

Uncovering Molecular Effectors of Mammalian Aging

Peng Yin, Ph.D.

Harvard University

High-Throughput Single-Molecule Protein Identification via Super-Resolution Imaging



NIH Director's New Innovator Awardees

Alistair N. Boettiger, Ph.D.

Stanford University

High-Resolution Imaging of Genome Structure and Gene Regulation in Development

Gemma L. Carvill, Ph.D.

Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Cell-Free DNA Sequencing Approaches to Define the Genetic Etiology of Unexplained Epilepsy

Jerry L. Chen, Ph.D.

Boston University

Cracking Genetically Defined Neocortical Circuits Across Learning and Behavior

Sidi Chen, Ph.D.

Yale University

High-Throughput *In Vivo* Genetics for Immunotherapy Target Discovery

Nicolas Chevrier, Ph.D.

The University of Chicago

Building a Predictive Framework for Adjuvant Combinatorics in Vaccine Development

Eun Ji Chung, Ph.D.

University of Southern California

A Revolutionary Approach for Polycystic Kidney Disease: Oral Nanotherapeutics

Megan Y. Dennis, Ph.D.

University of California, Davis School of Medicine

The Function of Duplicated Genes in Human Brain Evolution and Disease

Zoe R. Donaldson, Ph.D.

University of Colorado Boulder

Neuronal Basis of Social Motivation and the Failure to Adapt to Loss

Sergei Doulatov, Ph.D.

University of Washington

Uncovering Epigenetic Barriers to Hematopoietic Stem Cell Formation

Rachel Dutton, Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Molecular Mechanisms That Shape Microbial Communities

Katherine B. Ehrlich, Ph.D.

The University of Georgia

Innovative Approaches to the Study of Social Determinants of Health in Children

Evan H. Feinberg, Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco

High-Resolution Neural Circuit Dissection with Controllers Locally Affecting Synaptic Partners (CLASP)

Stephen N. Floor, Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco, and Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center

The Impact of Human RNA Diversity on Protein Production and Cell Fate

Kendra K. Frederick, Ph.D.

The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

High Sensitivity NMR for Structure Determination of Neurodegenerative Disease Associated Protein Aggregates in Native Contexts

Daniel Gallego-Perez, Ph.D.

The Ohio State University

Novel Nanoscale Approaches to Whole-Tissue Reprogramming

Charles Gawad, M.D., Ph.D.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Creating a Catalog of Cancer Clonotype Drug Sensitivities with Single-Cell Genome Sequencing

Luke Gilbert, Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco

A Genetic Interaction Map of the Human Nucleus

Yiyang Gong, Ph.D.

Duke University

Voltage Imaging Dissection of the Mammalian Cortex

Reyna L. Gordon, Ph.D.

Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Vanderbilt University

Biomarkers of Rhythmic Communication: Integrating Foundational and Translational Approaches

Junjie Guo, Ph.D.

Yale University School of Medicine

Molecular and Cellular Determinants of RNA Repeat-Associated Properties

Rizal F. Hariadi, Ph.D.

Arizona State University

Nanoscale Reconstruction of Mechanical Systems Involved in Disease Pathogenesis

Jun Huang, Ph.D.

The University of Chicago

Molecular Mechanism of Natural Killer Cell Recognition

Rajan Jain, M.D.

Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Deciphering Nuclear Lamina-Chromatin Organization in Cellular Competence and Cardiac Development

Matthew S. Kayser, M.D., Ph.D.

Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Building Brains in Our Sleep: A *Drosophila* Larval Platform for Examining Sleep and Neurogenesis

Justin Kim, Ph.D.

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard Medical School

Post-Translational Modification of Protein Surfaces

Kevin R. King, M.D., Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Elucidating Cell Communication Networks During Tissue Inflammation, Fibrosis, and Regeneration

Ester J. Kwon, Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Nanoscale Biomaterials for Targeted Repair in Traumatic Brain Injury

Dan A. Landau, M.D., Ph.D.

Weill Cornell Medicine and New York Genome Center

Shapeshifters in Cancer: Defining the Fundamental Forces of Leukemia Evolution

Shixin Liu, Ph.D.

The Rockefeller University

Probing Symmetry Breaking in Epigenetic Inheritance: From Single Molecules to Systems Biology

Po-Ru Loh, Ph.D.

Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, and the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard

Revealing Somatic Genome Alterations and Their Clinical Sequelae: Ultrasensitive Computational Detection of Mosaic Structural Variants

Carolyn (Lindy) McBride, Ph.D.

Princeton University

Mapping the Combinatorial Olfactory Inputs That Drive Mosquito Host Attraction

Prashant Mishra, M.D., Ph.D.

Children's Medical Center Research Institute at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

Engineering Faithful Animal Models of Mitochondrial Disease

Michael J. Mitchell, Ph.D.

University of Pennsylvania

A Data-Driven Drug Delivery (4D) Platform for Probing and Treating the Chemoresistant Bone Marrow Microenvironment

Darcie L. Moore, Ph.D.

University of Wisconsin–Madison

The Mechanisms and Functional Role of the Asymmetric Segregation of Cellular Cargoes in Stem Cells

Medha M. Pathak, Ph.D.

University of California, Irvine

Building the Brain: How Mechanical Forces Shape Human Neural Development

Srivatsan Raman, Ph.D.

University of Wisconsin–Madison

Understanding Molecular Rules Governing Protein Allostery by Deep Mutational Scanning

Jeremy Rock, Ph.D.

Rockefeller University

Towards a Molecular Understanding of Persistent Tuberculosis Infection

Kole T. Roybal, Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco

Engineering the Next Generation of Custom Immune Cell Therapies

Warren Ruder, Ph.D.

University of Pittsburgh

Creating Magnetically Inducible Synthetic Gene Networks for Cell and Tissue Therapies

Nasia Safdar, M.D., Ph.D.

University of Wisconsin and William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital

Modeling Applications and Systems Engineering to Reduce Infections—The MASTERI Study

Manish Saggar, Ph.D.

Stanford University

Only Time Will Tell: A Computational Psychiatry Approach to Model Temporal Transitions in Brain Activity as a Lens Towards Developing Better Diagnostic Nosology for Psychiatric Illness

Tiffany C. Scharschmidt, M.D.

University of California, San Francisco

Decoding and Harnessing Microbial Tuning of T Cell Responses in Early Life

Mark Sheffield, Ph.D., M.Sc.

The University of Chicago

Sub-Cellular Resolution Functional Imaging and Optogenetic Manipulation of Identified Memory Circuits During Behavior

Ellen M. Sletten, Ph.D.

University of California, Los Angeles

Bioorthogonal Host-Guest Chemistry for Tandem Imaging and Therapy

Sabrina Leigh Spencer, Ph.D.

University of Colorado Boulder

Proliferation-Quiescence Control in Single Cells: Integration of Mitogen, Nutrient, and Stress Signaling

Nicholas Stephanopoulos, Ph.D.

Arizona State University

Chemical Synthesis of G Protein–Coupled Receptors Using Sequential DNA-Templated

Michael R. Tadross, M.D., Ph.D.

Duke University

Interrogating Dynamics of Whole-Brain Volumes with Cell Type–Specific Pharmacology

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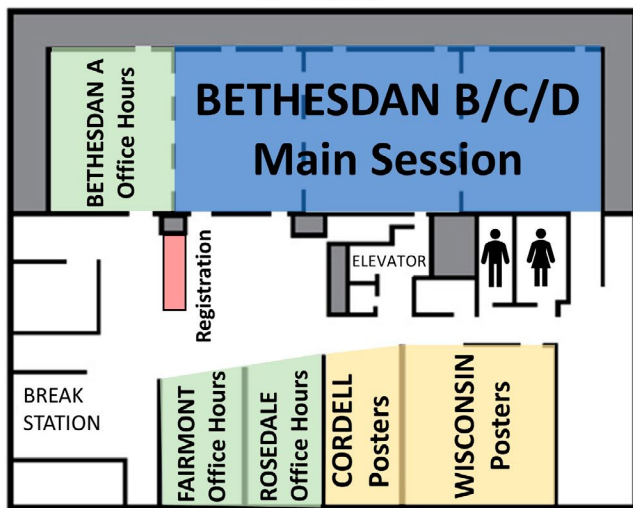
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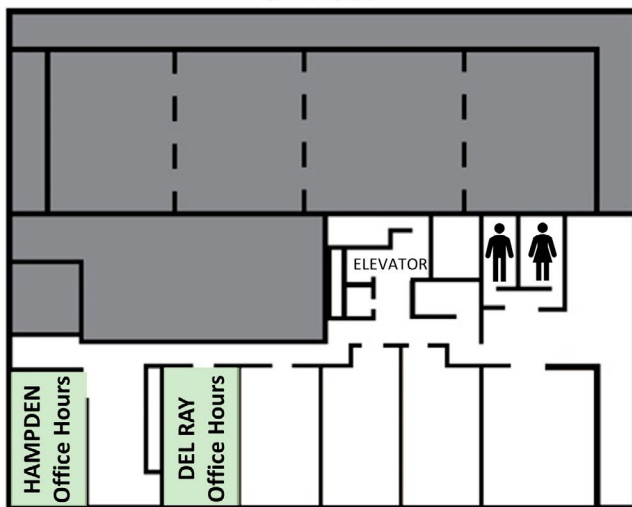
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