



Attention Fellows and Early Career Faculty!

20TH ANNUAL

RESPIRATORY DISEASE Young Investigators' Forum

Developing the next generation of physician-scientists:
a research mentorship and career advancement opportunity
for pulmonary and allergy fellows and early career faculty.

OCTOBER 17-20, 2024

Jacquard Hotel | Denver CO



**CALL FOR
RESEARCH
ABSTRACTS**

Deadline:
June 17, 2024

Two Categories:

- ▶ Basic Science Research
- ▶ Clinical Research

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For two decades, the RDYIF has fostered a community of passionate young investigators and established leaders in the field of respiratory medicine through a program designed for fellows and early career faculty utilizing mentoring and peer networking, coaching, scientific presentation skills, education and encouragement.

PROGRAM FORMAT

The 3-day program will include networking opportunities and formal scientific presentations which are judged and scored by expert faculty. Thirty young investigators will be selected to present and receive feedback and commentary from peer investigators and expert faculty. The agenda also includes sessions led by expert faculty on topics ranging from strategies for successful grant applications to transitioning from trainee to independent investigator.

All attendees will have the opportunity to rehearse their presentations with constructive and supportive feedback from senior research advisors in the field of respiratory medicine.

Monetary awards will be given to the top three presenters in each category (basic science and clinical research) as judged by the expert faculty panel. See our website for more information on the agenda and program format: njhealth.org/RDYIF2024.

WHO SHOULD SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT

US-based fellows and early career faculty conducting clinical or basic science research with pediatric or adult populations in respiratory related topics. Disease area examples include:

- Asthma
- Bronchiectasis
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- COVID-19
- Cystic fibrosis
- Genetics of airway diseases
- Interstitial lung disease
- Lung cancer
- Lung disease/injury
- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Sleep disorders

Young investigators (MDs, DOs) who are fellows or transitioning to initial faculty positions and junior faculty in their first two years in an academic role are invited to apply.

For more information regarding eligibility criteria, please visit our website: njhealth.org/RDYIF2024.

2023 PROGRAM FEEDBACK

100%
of evaluation
respondents reported
confidence after the
Forum in:

Presenting scientific
research to expert faculty

Articulating strengths/
weaknesses in their research

Incorporating peer/expert feedback
to enhance research presentations



AWARDS

Award winners in each of the 2 categories (basic science and clinical research) for first place (\$2000/recipient), second place (\$1500/recipient), and third place (\$1000/recipient) will be announced at the end of the program.

THE SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS JUNE 17, 2024

Please see our website for information on the submission process: njhealth.org/RDYIF2024.

Applicants with the top 30 highest abstract scores, as judged by expert faculty, will be invited to present at the Forum in October 2024. Travel, lodging, and meal expenses will be covered.

ABSTRACT REVIEW PROCESS

Expert faculty will review all abstracts and 30 finalists will be selected based on the following criteria:

1. **Scientific importance** – will this research make a difference in diagnosis, treatment or quality of patient care?
2. **Quality of research** – is the hypothesis feasible and will the stated methodology enable this research to be completed in a meaningful way?
3. **Enhances knowledge** – will the research improve our knowledge about the disease or treatment?
4. **Does the research answer a question** that needs to be answered or provide new findings that may change the way we diagnose or treat a condition?
5. **Overall presentation of abstract** – Is the abstract informative and thoughtfully written; does it outline the question to be addressed; and is the research proposed able to provide an answer?

Submitted abstracts can be previously presented but not previously published. Notification of abstract acceptance or rejection will be provided via e-mail in July 2024.



These are potentially lifelong relationships that can start at the Respiratory Disease Young Investigators' Forum. This is one of the most attractive aspects of academic medicine, is the relationships and collaboration that can occur in a field among people from quite remote areas of the country that otherwise would not have a chance to meet.

— Irina Petrache, MD



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Chief, Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care & Sleep Medicine
Associate Vice President of Faculty Development
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Wollowick Chair in COPD Research
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Respiratory Disease Young Investigator, 2004



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Respiratory Disease Young Investigator, 2005-2007

EXPERT FACULTY

In celebration of our milestone 20th year, all
2024 faculty are former participants of the
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Respiratory Disease Young Investigator, 2010



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Respiratory Disease Young Investigator, 2008



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Respiratory Disease Young Investigator, 2007



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Divisions of Pulmonary, Critical Care and

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Respiratory Disease Young Investigator, 2005

Additional faculty and research advisors will be announced soon.

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