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**Program Book** 





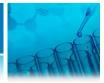




Natcher Conference Center (Building 45) National Institutes of Health Bethesda, MD

December 5-7, 2016

## **Program Description**



The NIH Common Fund, in the Office of the Director, supports programs that address key roadblocks in biomedical research impeding basic scientific discovery and its translation into improved human health. Common Fund programs are designed to have broad impact, be catalytic, and tackle challenges that no other entity, including individual NIH Institutes, will be likely or able to do. Currently, 27 different Common Fund programs span the broad mission of NIH. More information is available at <u>commonfund.nih.gov</u>.

The NIH Common Fund's High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program was created to accelerate the pace of biomedical discoveries by supporting exceptionally creative scientists who have highly innovative research ideas with 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 approaches to address major challenges in biomedical and behavioral research.



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



*Transformative Research Award:* Supports exceptionally innovative and/or unconventional research projects that have the potential to create or overturn fundamental paradigms. The initiative permits multiple principal investigators and flexible budgets.



*Early Independence Award:* Provides a mechanism for outstanding early career scientists to move rapidly into independent research positions, bypassing the traditional postdoctoral training period.

Agenda



## Monday, December 5, 2016

9:00 a.m.	Francis Collins, Director, NIH (pending)
	Opening Remarks and Announcement of 2016 High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program Awardees
9:15 a.m.	James Anderson, Director, Division of Program Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives (DPCPSI), Office of the Director, NIH
	Opening Remarks

#### Session 1

9:30 a.m.	Andreas Tolias (Baylor College of Medicine; Pioneer Awardee; National Eye Institute*#\$)
	The Fabric of the Neocortex: Canonical Structure and Computations
9:50 a.m.	Ken Solt (presenting), Edward Boyden, Emery Brown, and Matthew Wilson (Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Transformative Research Awardees; National Institute of General Medical Sciences <sup>*#</sup> )
	Redesigning Recovery From General Anesthesia
10:10 a.m.	Alan Anticevic (Yale University; Early Independence Awardee; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research <sup>#</sup> )
	Developing Mechanistically Informed Neuroimaging Markers for Mental Illness via Pharmacology and Computation
10:30 a.m.	Break

#### Session 2

10:50 a.m.	<b>Christina Smolke</b> (Stanford University; Pioneer Awardee; National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health*#\$)
	Synthetic Biology Platforms for Natural Product Biosynthesis and Discovery
11:10 a.m.	<b>Leor Weinberger</b> (University of California, San Francisco; Pioneer Awardee; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research* <sup>#\$</sup> )
	A Hardwired HIV Latency Program
11:30 a.m.	Daniela Witten (University of Washington; Early Independence Awardee; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research <sup>#</sup> )
	Learning From Time
11:50 a.m.	Photo Shoots for Awardees (all years)
12:20 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)

#### **Session 3**

1:50 p.m.	Stephen Aller (University of Alabama at Birmingham; New
	Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical
	Sciences*#)

Structure of Human Membrane Transporters by Cryo-EM and X-Ray Crystallography

2:10 p.m. James Fraser (University of California, San Francisco; Early Independence Awardee; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research#)

The Impact of Mutation on the Function, Conformations, and Recognition of Ubiquitin

2:30 p.m. Songi Han (University of California, Santa Barbara; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences\*#)

Signature of an Aggregation-Prone Conformation of Tau

2:50 p.m. Brian Paegel (The Scripps Research Institute; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences\*#)

> Finches and Seeds, Proteases and Beads: Evolution of New Protease Tools for High-Throughput Post-Translational Modification Mapping

#### **Poster Session 1**

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3:10 p.m. Natcher Conference Center, Upstairs Atrium

#### **Early Independence Award Session**

5:00 p.m. Closed Session

## Tuesday, December 6, 2016

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	8:30 a.m.	Ravi Basavappa, Office of Strategic Coordination, DPCPSI, Office of the Director, NIH
		High-Risk, High-Reward Research Program Updates
	8:40 a.m.	Helen Blau (Stanford University; Transformative Research Awardee; National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases*#)
		Telomere Extension Using Nucleoside-Modified mRNA as a Novel Therapeutic
	9:00 a.m.	Anne Brunet (Stanford University; Pioneer Awardee; Nationa Institute on Aging*#\$)
		Understanding and Modeling Aging
	9:20 a.m.	P. Duc Si Dong (Sanford Burnham Prebys Medical Discovery Institute; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases <sup>*#\$</sup> )
		Direct In Vivo Lineage Reprogramming Without Limits
	9:40 a.m.	<b>Christoph Lepper</b> (Carnegie Institution for Science; Early Independence Awardee; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research <sup>#</sup> )
		Muscle Fiber Signaling Scales the Myogenic Stem Cell Pool
	10:00 a.m.	Break

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10:20 a.m.	Brenda Bass (University of Utah; Pioneer Awardee; National Institute on Aging*#)
	Understanding Self Versus Non-Self: Is That My Double- Stranded RNA or Yours?
10:40 a.m.	Uttiya Basu (Columbia University; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences*#)
	Mechanism of Strand-Specific DNA Mutagenesis During Antibody Gene Diversification
11:00 a.m.	Harvinder Singh Gill (Texas Tech University; New Innovator Awardee; <i>Eunice Kennedy Shriver</i> National Institute of Child Health and Human Development <sup>*#</sup> )
	Pollen Grains as Trojan Horses for Oral Vaccination
11:20 a.m.	<b>Thomas Kupper</b> (presenting) and <b>Rachael Clark</b> (Harvard Medical School/Brigham and Women's Hospital; Transformative Research Awardees; National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases*#\$)
	Vaccination to Generate Protective Tissue Resident Memory T Cells
11:40 a.m.	<b>Thanos Siapas</b> (California Institute of Technology; Pioneer Awardee; National Institute of Mental Health*#)
	Nanofabricated Neural Probes for Dense 3D Recordings of Brain Activity
12:00 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)
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1:30 p.m.	Wei Min (Columbia University; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering*#)
	Live-Cell Bioorthogonal Chemical Imaging for Biomedicine
1:50 p.m.	Alexandros Pertsinidis (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences <sup>*#</sup> )
	Visualizing Mechanisms of mRNA Transcription Regulation at the Single-Molecule Level

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2:10 p.m.	Ozgur Sahin (Columbia University; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering*#)
	Mechanical Super-Resolution: Imaging Structure, Chemistry, Forces, and Voltage Across Biomolecules and Cells
2:30 p.m.	Ting (Cting) Wu (Harvard Medical School; Pioneer Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences*#)
	Technologies for Visualizing the Genome

#### **Poster Session 2**

2:50 p.m. Natcher Conference Center, Upstairs Atrium

## Wednesday, December 7, 2016

#### Session 7

8	8:30 a.m.	Debra Auguste (Northeastern University; New Innovator Awardee; National Cancer Institute*#)
		Engineering Targeted Therapeutics for Breast Cancer
8	8:50 a.m.	<b>Trever Bivona</b> (University of California, San Francisco; New Innovator Awardee; National Cancer Institute****)
		Next-Generation Rational Anti-Cancer Polytherapies
9	9:10 a.m.	Laura A. Johnson (University of Pennsylvania; New Innovator Awardee; National Cancer Institute*#)
		Gene-Engineered CAR T-Cells: A Platform for Treating Cancer
9	9:30 a.m.	Jeff Gore (Massachusetts Institute of Technology; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute on Aging*#)
		Understanding Tipping Points in Biology
9	9:50 a.m.	Pardis Sabeti (Harvard University; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences*#)
		Genomic Surveillance of Microbial Threat

10:10 a.m. Break

#### Session 8

10:30 a.m.	Sebastian Lourido (Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research; Early Independence Awardee; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research <sup>#</sup> )
	Genome-Wide Approaches to Characterize Apicomplexan Parasitism
10:50 a.m.	<b>Baljit Khakh</b> (University of California, Los Angeles; Pioneer Awardee; National Institute of Mental Health*#\$; National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke <sup>\$</sup> )
	Astrocytes and Neural Circuits: Signaling, Function, Dynamics, and Diversity
11:10 a.m.	Long Cai (California Institute of Technology; New Innovator Awardee; National Institute of General Medical Sciences*#)
	<i>In Situ</i> Transcription Profiling of Single Cells Reveals Spatial Organization of Cells in the Mouse Hippocampus
11:30 a.m.	Rafael Yuste (Columbia University; Pioneer Awardee; National Eye Institute*#\$)
	The Brain Activity Map of Hydra vulgaris
11:50 a.m.	Closing Remarks
11:55 a.m.	Adjournment

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## Monday, December 5, 2016

Poster Number 1 Jennifer Ahern University of California, Berkeley

Novel Study Designs to Leverage Large-Scale Population Health Data to Quantify Health Impacts of Policies and Programs

Poster Number 2 Nancy Allbritton The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Development of Human Intestinal Simulacra

Poster Number 3 Christopher Allen University of California, San Francisco

The Initiation of Allergic Inflammatory Responses in the Lung

#### Poster Number 4

**Gregory Alushin** National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute National Institutes of Health

Cytoskeletal Structural Plasticity in Force-Generation and Mechanosensation: A Case Study of the Myosin VI Motor Protein

Poster Number 5 Yimon Aye Weill Cornell Medical College

Targeting Privileged First Responders in Isozyme-Specific Redox Response

Ramsey Badawi University of California, Davis

EXPLORER: Changing the Molecular Imaging Paradigm with Total Body PET

#### Poster Number 7 Mona Batish

Rutgers University

Transcriptional Regulation of STEAP1 in Ewing's Sarcoma

#### Poster Number 8

Roberto Bonasio University of Pennsylvania

Epigenetic Regulation of Social Behavior in Ants

#### Poster Number 9

Meg Bruening Arizona State University

Validating the DevilSPARC Mobile-Ecological Momentary Assessment App for Eating and Physical Activity Behaviors

#### Poster Number 10

Hannah Carter University of California, San Diego

Germline Immune Variation Restricts the Cancer Mutational Landscape

#### Poster Number 11

#### Francesca Cole

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Why Juvenile Spermatocytes Have Chromosome Segregation Errors – Programmed Suppression of Two DNA Repair Pathways Is Required for Crossover Assurance

Jeffery Cox University of California, Berkeley

Host-Directed Strategies to Create Synergistic Antibacterial Therapies

#### Poster Number 13 Adam de la Zerda Stanford University

MOZART: High-Resolution Optical Molecular Imaging System for Medical and Functional Biological Applications

#### Poster Number 14 Les Dethlefson Stanford University

Predicting Resilience in the Human Microbiome

#### Poster Number 15

Christopher Faulk University of Michigan

Development of piRNAs for Target-Specific DNA Methylation

#### Poster Number 16

Kamil Godula University of California, San Diego

Controlling Cellular Fate Through Glycan Engineering

#### Poster Number 17

**Daniel Heller** Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Weill Cornell Medical College

Targeting Personalized Nanomedicines to the Tumor Microenvironment

#### Poster Number 18 Nicholas Ingolia

Carnegie Institution University of California, Berkeley

An Unbiased Survey of mRNA Regulators

Michelle Janelsins University of Rochester

Clinical and Translational Approaches to Cognitive Impairments in Breast Cancer

#### Poster Number 20

Martin Jonikas Princeton University

Transforming Our Understanding of Eukaryotic Gene Functions Through Chemical Genetics in the Green Algae *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* 

#### Poster Number 21

Robert L. Judson University of California, San Francisco

CRISPR/Cas9-Mediated Engineering of Clinically Relevant Mutations into the Endogenous Loci of Primary Human Melanocytes Reveals Novel Roles for BRAF and CDKN2A During Melanoma Progression

#### Poster Number 22

Arthur Laganowsky Texas A&M University

Ion Mobility Mass Spectrometry of Intact Membrane Protein-Lipid Complexes

#### Poster Number 23

Chenxiang Lin Yale University School of Medicine

DNA-Origami Templated Membrane Structure and Dynamics

#### Poster Number 24

Meena Madhur Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Immunophenotyping of Human Hypertension Using Single-Cell Multiplex Mass Cytometry to Identify Novel Therapeutic Targets

Michael McAlpine University of Minnesota

3D-Printed Nano-Bionic Organs

#### Poster Number 26

**Eric J. Nelson** Stanford University University of Florida

If John Snow Had a Smart Phone: Evaluation of a Decision-Support Tool for Diarrheal Disease Outbreak Management

#### Poster Number 27 Christian Petersen

Northwestern University

Cell Signaling in Control of Regenerative Growth

#### Poster Number 28 Jeremy Purvis The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Dynamics of OCT4 Signaling in Human Embryonic Stem Cells

#### Poster Number 29 Amanda Randles Duke University

Computing the Ankle-Brachial Index With Computational Fluid Dynamics

#### Poster Number 30

Rajat Rohatgi Stanford University School of Medicine

Comparative Genetic Screens in Human Cells Reveal New Regulatory Mechanisms in WNT Signaling

#### Poster Number 31 Gregory Schwartz

Northwestern University

Circuit Mechanism of a Novel Retinal Ganglion Cell With Non-Canonical Receptive Field Structure

Adam Sonabend Columbia University Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center

Modulation of PDGFRA and IDH1 Oncogenes by TOP2 Is Associated With Its Promoter Localization in Gliomas

#### Poster Number 33

Christa Van Dort Massachusetts General Hospital Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Optogenetic Activation of Cholinergic Neurons in the PPT or LDT Induces REM Sleep

#### Poster Number 34

Ting (C.-ting) Wu Harvard Medical School

Culling the Human Genome of Disease Variants Using Ultraconserved Elements

#### Poster Number 35

Lili Yang University of California, Los Angeles

Propagating Humanized BLT Mice for the Study of Human Immunology and Immunotherapy

#### Poster Number 36

John Zhang Dartmouth College

Implantable Cardiac Power Generation Using Flexible 3D Porous Thin Films

#### Poster Number 37

Richard White Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Adipocytes in the Melanoma Microenvironment

## Tuesday, December 6, 2016

#### Poster Number 1

Amir Al-Khami Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center

Exogenous Lipid Uptake Induces Metabolic and Functional Reprogramming in Cancer-Associated Myeloid-Derived Suppressor Cells

#### Poster Number 2

Manish Arora Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Biologic Hard Drives to Reconstruct the Prenatal and Early Childhood Environment

#### Poster Number 3

Alexander Barnes Washington University in St. Louis

High-Sensitivity NMR at Room Temperature for Molecular Structure and Dynamics

#### Poster Number 4 Artem Barski Cincinnati Children's Hospital

Epigenomics of T Cell Activation and T Cell Memory

Poster Number 5 Elika Bergelson Duke University

Effects of Home Environment and Semantic Structure on Early Lexical Development

Poster Number 6 Joseph Bondy-Denomy University of California, San Francisco

Inhibition of CRISPR-Cas9 with Bacteriophage Proteins

Erin Carlson University of Minnesota

Activity-Based Probes for Selective Imaging of an Essential PBP in *Streptococcus pneumoniae* 

#### Poster Number 8

**Yvonne Chen** University of California, Los Angeles

Combating Antigen Escape With CD19/CD20 Bispecific CAR-T Cell Therapy

#### Poster Number 9

**Brandon DeKosky** Vaccine Research Center National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases National Institutes of Health University of Kansas

High-Resolution Profiling of Anti-HIV Immune Responses Using Paired Antibody Heavy and Light Chain Sequencing

#### Poster Number 10

Aaron Esser-Kahn University of California, Irvine

Chemical Biology Approaches to Controlling and Understanding the Innate Immune System

#### Poster Number 11

Sunil Gandhi University of California, Irvine

Restoring High-Acuity Vision Using Inhibitory Neuron Transplantation

#### Poster Number 12

Alexander Gimelbrant Harvard Medical School

Autosomal Monoallelic Expression as a Mechanism of Variation Between Individuals

Chenghua Gu Harvard Medical School

New Tools for Understanding the Blood-Brain Barrier

#### Poster Number 14 Thomas Hartung

Johns Hopkins University

Mapping the Human Toxome by Systems Toxicology

Poster Number 15 William Israelsen The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

Hibernation: Insights From Comparative Genomics of Zapus Species

#### Poster Number 16 Daniel Jarosz Stanford University

Intrinsically Disordered Proteins Drive the Emergence and Inheritance of Biological Traits

#### Poster Number 17 Rahul Kohli Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Targeting the SOS Pathway to Combat the Evolution of Antibiotic Resistance

#### Poster Number 18

Cecília Leal University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

A New Paradigm in Nanomedicine: Can Structural Interiors of Nanoparticles Regulate Cellular Delivery?

#### Poster Number 19

Eric Lieberman Greer Harvard Medical School Children's Hospital Boston

DNA Methylation on N6 Adenine

**Darren Lipomi** University of California, San Diego

Stretchable, Biodegradable, and Self-Healing Semiconductors for Wearable and Implantable Sensors

#### Poster Number 21

**Brent Martin** University of Michigan

Probing Cysteine Posttranslational Modifications

Poster Number 22 Monica Mugnier Johns Hopkins University

Variant Surface Glycoprotein Expression and Diversification in the Protozoan Parasite *Trypanosoma brucei* 

Poster Number 23 Hidde Ploegh Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research

A New Strategy to Disrupt Protein-Protein Interactions in Eukaryotic Cells

Poster Number 24 Yakeel Quiroz Massachusetts General Hospital

Amyloid Beta Deposition Precedes Tau Tangle Formation in Autosomal-Dominant Alzheimer's Disease

Poster Number 25 Jesse Rodriguez University of Pennsylvania

Rational Design of Cytomegalovirus-Specific Chimeric Antigen Receptor T Cells for the Treatment of Glioblastoma Multiforme

Alex Shalek Massachusetts Institute of Technology

"Bottom-Up" Profiling of Interacting Cellular Systems

Poster Number 27 Jason Sheltzer Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

Tumor-Suppressive Effects of Aneuploidy

Poster Number 28 Nikolai Slavov Northeastern University

Differential Stoichiometry Among Core Ribosomal Proteins

Poster Number 29 Norman Taylor Massachusetts General Hospital Massachusetts Institute of Technology

The Analgesic Effects of Periaqueductal Gray Dopamine Neurons

Poster Number 30 Bozhi Tian The University of Chicago

Subcellular-Scale Silicon for Bioelectric Interfaces

Poster Number 31 Alexander Urban Stanford University

Large Copy Number Variants in the Human Genome Are Associated With Common Psychiatric Disorders and Can Be Analyzed on the Molecular Level in Neuronal Models Based on Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells

#### Poster Number 32

Joshua Vogelstein Johns Hopkins University

NeuroData Synaptone Project: Toward an AT-Based Platform for Single-Synapse Analysis of Diverse CNS Synapse Populations

Leo Wan Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Chiral Traction Forces Observed on 2D Geometrically Defined Surfaces

#### Poster Number 34 Jessica Whited Harvard Medical School Brigham and Women's Hospital

Identifying Roadblocks to Regeneration by Repeat Deployment of the Limb Regeneration Program

#### Poster Number 35 Kevin Yackle University of California, San Francisco

Cellular and Molecular Characterization of the Breathing Pacemaker

#### Poster Number 36 Weian Zhao University of California, Irvine

Mechano-Responsive Stem Cells to Target Cancer Metastases Through Biophysical Cues

# 2016 Awardees





## NIH Director's Pioneer Awardees

#### Kristin Baldwin, Ph.D. The Scripps Research Institute

Defining a Transcriptional Periodic Table of the Human Brain Using Reprogramming

#### Bradley Bernstein, M.D., Ph.D.

Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard Massachusetts General Hospital

Epigenetic Plasticity in Tumor Initiation and Evolution

#### Michael Fischbach, Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco

A Complete Map of the Top 100 Molecules From the Gut Microbiome

#### Uri Hasson, Ph.D.

Princeton University

Speaker-Listener Coupling: A Novel Neural Approach for Assessing Communication

#### Juan Carlos Izpisua Belmonte, Ph.D.

The Salk Institute for Biological Studies

Generation of Functional Human Organs and Tissues Using Interspecific Blastocyst Complementation

#### Nancy Kanwisher, Ph.D.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

How Does the Functional Organization of the Human Brain Arise in Development?

Stephen D. Liberles, Ph.D. Harvard Medical School

Sensory Receptors of the Vagus Nerve

Christine Mayr, M.D., Ph.D. Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

3'UTR-Mediated Protein-Protein Interactions Determine Protein Functions

Joshua D. Rabinowitz, M.D., Ph.D. Princeton University

Metabolism in Action: Quantitative Fluxes in Mammals

#### Meng Wang, Ph.D.

Baylor College of Medicine

Decode the Chemical Language That Orchestrates Cellular and Organismal Homeostasis

#### Sing Sing Way, M.D., Ph.D.

Cincinnati Children's Hospital

Immunological Identity Redefined by Genetically Foreign Microchimeric Cells

#### Seok-Hyun "Andy" Yun, Ph.D.

Harvard Medical School Massachusetts General Hospital

Massive Wavelength-Division Multiplexing and Imaging With Laser Particles



## *NIH Director's New Innovator Awardees*

#### Bassem Al-Sady, Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco

Reconstructing Dynamic Epigenetic Genome Partitioning in Single Stem Cells

Jason R. Andrews, M.D., S.M. Stanford University

Congregate Air Sampling for Population-Based Detection of Tuberculosis

Effie Apostolou, Ph.D. Weill Cornell Medical College

Defining the Role of Chromatin Architecture in Cell Fate Inheritance

Daniel E. Bauer, M.D., Ph.D.

Dana-Farber/Boston Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center Harvard Medical School

High-Throughput Discovery of Essential Noncoding Sequences for Erythropoiesis

Sean Bendall, Ph.D. Stanford University School of Medicine

Origins of Human Blood Lineages in Regenerative Medicine

Parijat Bhatnagar, Ph.D. SRI International

Self-Assembled Therapeutics With Spatiotemporal Resolution

**Stephen Brohawn, Ph.D.** University of California, Berkeley

New Approaches to Understanding Biological Force Sensation

#### Irene A. Chen, M.D., Ph.D.

University of California, Santa Barbara

Understanding How Bacteriophages Affect Wound Ecologies and Developing New Tools to Harness Bacteria-Phage Interactions

**Isaac Chiu, Ph.D.** Harvard Medical School

Sensory Neuron-Bacteria Interactions in Modulating Pain and the Host Microbiota

#### Kwanghun Chung, Ph.D. Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Proteome-Driven Holistic Reconstruction of Organ-Wide Multi-Scale Networks

#### Forrest W. Crawford, Ph.D.

Yale School of Public Health

Network-Based Epidemiology for Hidden and Hard-to-Reach Populations

#### Alia Crum, Ph.D.

Stanford University

Harnessing Mindset in 21st Century Health Care

#### Monica Dus, Ph.D.

University of Michigan

The Role of Neuroepigenetics in Bidirectional Behavioral States

#### Elizabeth S. Egan, M.D., Ph.D.

Stanford University School of Medicine

Identifying Critical Erythrocyte Host Factors for *Plasmodium falciparum* Malaria

#### Polly Fordyce, Ph.D. Stanford University

Leveraging Spectral Encoding for High-Dimensional Biological Multiplexing

#### Eric Lieberman Greer, Ph.D.

Boston Children's Hospital Harvard Medical School

Characterization of DNA N6-Methyl Adenine and Its Role in Epigenetic Memory

**Shangqin Guo, Ph.D.** Yale University

Molecular Definition of Cancer Cell-of-Origin

**Sue Hammoud, Ph.D.** University of Michigan

Contributions of Sperm Chromatin to Development: A Myth or Reality?

Jesse V. Jokerst, Ph.D. University of California, San Diego

Therapeutic Drug Monitoring With a Wearable Ultrasound-Based Sensor

Ahmad S. Khalil, Ph.D. Boston University

Combating Antibiotic Resistance With Synthetic Biology Technologies

Sebastian Klinge, Ph.D. The Rockefeller University

Trapping and Reconstituting Early Stages of Eukaryotic Ribosome Assembly

Amnon Koren, Ph.D. Cornell University

Personal Mutational Landscapes Encoded in Our DNA

**Joel Kralj, Ph.D.** University of Colorado Boulder

Neuronal Electromics in Health and Disease

### Anshul Kundaje, Ph.D.

Stanford University

Deep Learning Frameworks for Regulatory Genomics

Gabe Kwong, Ph.D. Georgia Institute of Technology Emory University

Noninvasive and Predictive Biomarkers of Organ Transplant Rejection

Arthur Laganowsky, Ph.D. Texas A&M University

Native Ion Mobility Mass Spectrometry Studies of Potassium Inward Rectifier Channels: Insight Into Gating and Lipid Binding

Cecília Leal, Ph.D. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

A New Paradigm in Nanomedicine: Can Structural Interiors of Nanoparticles Regulate Cellular Delivery?

Meena S. Madhur, M.D., Ph.D. Vanderbilt University

Immunophenotyping of Human Hypertension Using Single-Cell Multiplex Mass Cytometry to Identify Novel Therapeutic Targets

Nikhil U. Nair, Ph.D. Tufts University

Metabolic Engineering in Humans: Altered Gut Microbes as a Therapeutic Platform

#### Tien Peng, M.D.

University of California, San Francisco

Defining the Resident Mesenchymal Stem Cell Niche and Function In Vivo

#### Rushika M. Perera, Ph.D. University of California, San Francisco

Tracking Tumor Evolution Through In Vivo Organelle Profiling

#### Sabine Petry, Ph.D.

Princeton University

Building the Chromosome Segregation Machinery From Scratch

#### Jeremy Purvis, Ph.D.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Controlling Stem Cell Fate Through Computational Modeling

Dragana Rogulja, Ph.D. Harvard Medical School

Mechanisms of Arousal Threshold and Sleep Homeostasis

#### Melanie A. Samuel, Ph.D. Baylor College of Medicine

Synaptic Reprogramming of Adult Neurons

Rahul Satija, Ph.D. New York Genome Center New York University

Learning the Metadata of the Cell With Single-Cell Genomics

#### **Tiffany Schmidt, Ph.D.** Northwestern University

Genetic Mapping of Visual Circuits

#### Nikolai Slavov, Ph.D. Northeastern University

Ribosome-Mediated Translational Regulation During Stem Cell Differentiation

William R. Stauffer, Ph.D. University of Pittsburgh

Neural Correlates of Optimal Value Seeking in the Reward System

#### Matthew Steinhauser, M.D. Brigham and Women's Hospital

A New Modality to Image Tumor Metabolic Heterogeneity at Subcellular Resolution

#### Kelly R. Stevens, Ph.D.

University of Washington

Thermogenetic Activation of Engineered Tissue for Cardiac Repair

#### Bozhi Tian, Ph.D.

The University of Chicago

Silicon-Based Injectable Micro-Gels for Non-Genetic and Wireless Modulation of Neurons, Cardiomyocytes, and Neuromuscular System

#### Jared Toettcher, Ph.D.

Princeton University

Harnessing Optogenetics to Diagnose and Therapeutically Rewire Cancer Cell Signaling

Elçin Ünal, Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley

Illuminating Cellular Aging Pathways Through Gametogenesis

#### Elizabeth Villa, Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Opening Windows Into the Cell: Revealing the Molecular Architecture of the Nuclear Periphery

#### Arun P. Wiita, M.D., Ph.D.

University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine

*In Vivo* Monitoring of Oxidative Protein Folding Through Time-Resolved Quantitative Mass Spectrometry

#### Wen Xue, Ph.D.

University of Massachusetts Medical School

CRISPR-Based Modular Therapy for Precision Medicine

#### Michael M. Yartsev, Ph.D.

University of California, Berkeley

The First Mammalian Model System for Studying Vocal Learning: A Behavioral and Neurophysiological Approach



## *NIH Director's Transformative Research Awardees*

### Ethan Bier, Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Mutagenic Chain Reaction-Facilitated Immunotherapy

#### Amit Choudhary, Ph.D.

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

Leveraging Snakes' Extreme Physiology to Modulate Human Beta-Cell Function

#### George M. Church, Ph.D.

Harvard University, Harvard Medical School Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Exploring a Novel Paradigm of Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder

#### Catherine Dulac, Ph.D. Harvard University

Howard Hughes Medical Institute

In Situ Transcriptome Imaging in Single Cells

#### Wendy S. Garrett, M.D., Ph.D.

Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard Dana-Farber Cancer Institute Harvard Medical School Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Designer Probiotics for the Treatment of Intestinal Infection and Inflammation

## Ananda W. Goldrath, Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Mutagenic Chain Reaction-Facilitated Immunotherapy

#### Stephen M. Hedrick, Ph.D.

University of California, San Diego

Mutagenic Chain Reaction-Facilitated Immunotherapy

#### John M. Leong, M.D., Ph.D.

Tufts University School of Medicine

Designer Probiotics for the Treatment of Intestinal Infection and Inflammation

#### Cammie F. Lesser, M.D., Ph.D. Harvard Medical School Massachusetts General Hospital

Designer Probiotics for the Treatment of Intestinal Infection and Inflammation

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Fluorescent Biosensors for Subcellular Pharmacokinetics

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Induced Transgenerational Inheritance Without Epigenetics

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Toolkit for High-Resolution Structure and Dynamics of Functional Lipids

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Seeing Protein Mechanics: The Link Between Molecular Structure, Function, and Evolution

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New Tools to Study Neurosteroid Estrogens

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Culling the Human Genome of Disease Variants Using Ultraconserved Elements

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Exploring a Novel Paradigm of Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder

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Implantable Cardiac Power Generation Using Flexible 3D Porous Thin Films

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Antibody Therapeutics for Human Viral Hemorrhagic Fevers and Prevention of Late Neurological Syndromes

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Transporting Established Insights From Classical Experimental Design to Address Causal Questions in Environmental Epidemiology, Including the Understanding of Biological Mediating Mechanisms

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An Aminoacyl tRNA Synthetase Is a Nitrogen Sensor That Activates TOR in Plants

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Comprehensive Analysis of Human Adaptive Immune Receptors to Elucidate Correlates of Epstein-Barr Virus Disease Suppression

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Investigating a Novel Cell Population in Delayed-Onset Drug Hypersensitivity Reactions

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Mechanisms of Formation of 3D Genome Structures

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Development, Characterization, and Application of CRISPR/Cas9 Gene Drive Technologies and Related Active Genetic Elements to Benefit Research and Society at Large

#### Daniel P. Giovenco, Ph.D., M.P.H. Rutgers University Biomedical and Health Sciences School of Public Health

Geographic Variation in the Diverse Tobacco Retail Environment and Its Impact on Tobacco Use Disparities

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Investigating Organ Formation and the Emergence of Complexity in the Visual System Using Comparative Developmental Approaches

#### Aashish Manglik, M.D., Ph.D.

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Molecular Mechanisms of Iron Homeostasis

#### Micaela Elvira Martinez, Ph.D.

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Hacking Epidemics: Unlocking the Drivers of Transmission Seasonality to Battle Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

#### Monica Mugnier, Ph.D. Johns Hopkins University

Variant Surface Glycoprotein Diversification in Trypanosoma brucei

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Artificially Modulating Memories to Alleviate Psychiatric Disease-Like States

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Uncoupling Pleiotropy in the LIGHT/HVEM/LTBetaR Signaling Network

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Quantitatively Modeling Immune Responses to Cancer

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