

# JUNIOR INVESTIGATORS' SYMPOSIUM

Smilow Center for Translational Research  
Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

October 30, 2023

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
8:00 – 8:30 AM	<b>Check-in</b> and Continental Breakfast	Smilow Commons
8:30 – 8:45 AM	<b>Welcome Remarks:</b> Emma Meagher, MD	Rubenstein Auditorium
8:45 – 9:45 AM	<b>Unraveling the Mystery of CE, Research &amp; Tenure Academic Tracks</b> Presenter & Moderator: Erica Thaler, MD, FCAS Panel: Katharine Bar, MD; Marina Serper, MD, MS; John Wolf, PhD	Rubenstein Auditorium
9:45 – 10:00 AM	<b>Coffee Break</b> and transition to mentoring sessions	Smilow Commons
10:00 – 11:15 AM	<b>Concurrent Sessions: Mentoring Topic or Speed Mentoring</b> <b>Block 1: 10:00 – 10:30 AM</b> (please choose one) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Speed Mentoring Session I</li><li>Effective Mentoring Relationships I with Emma Meagher, MD</li></ul> <i>15-minute transition: 10:30–10:45 AM</i> <b>Block 2: 10:45 – 11:15 AM</b> (please choose one) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Speed Mentoring Session II</li><li>Effective Mentoring Relationships II with Emma Meagher, MD</li></ul>	Speed Mentoring sessions in Smilow Commons Mentoring topic sessions in Rubenstein Auditorium
11:20 AM – 12:15 PM	<b>Protecting Your IP: An Approach to Diversifying your Funding Portfolio</b> Presenter & Moderator: Denene Wambach, Esq. Panel: Zev Binder, MD, PhD; Viviane Martin, PhD; Casey Halpern, MD; Marco Ruella, MD	Rubenstein Auditorium
12:15 – 1:00 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	Smilow Commons
1:00 – 2:00 PM	<b>Career Pathways Outside of Academia</b> Moderator: Karen Teff, PhD Panel: Amanda Ackerman, MD, PhD, MSTR - Novo Nordisk Marion Vetter, MD, MSTR - Janssen Arun Das, MD - Cabaletta Bio Carlos Villa, MD, PhD - FDA	Rubenstein Auditorium

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2:15 – 3:15 PM	<b>Writing a Successful Career Development Grant (K Award)</b> Moderator: Matthew Weitzman, PhD Panel: K23 – Erica Baller, MD, MS K08 – Sokratis Apostolidis, MD K99 – Kathryn Wofford, PhD	Rubenstein Auditorium
	<b>Writing a Successful NIH R Grant</b> Moderator: David Mankoff, MD, PhD Panel: Nicholas Balderston, PhD; Scott Damrauer, MD; Kelly Getz, PhD, MPH	Room 8-146 Smilow
3:30 – 4:30PM	<b>Establishing Your Clinical Research Program &amp; Building Your Team</b> Moderator: Alexis Ogdie-Beatty, MD, MSCE Panel: Joshua F. Baker, MD, MSCE; Jordana Cohen, MD, MSCE; Andrea Schneider, MD, PhD	Room 8-146 Smilow
	<b>Establishing Your Basic Research Program &amp; Building Your Team</b> Moderator: Benjamin Voight, PhD Panel: Struan Grant, PhD; Sunny Shin, PhD; Golnaz Vahedi, PhD	Rubenstein Auditorium

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### **MEETING PARTICIPANTS**

#### **Unraveling the Mystery of CE, Research & Tenure Academic Tracks**

Erica Thaler, MD, FACS – Professor and Vice Chair, Department of Otolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Katharine Bar, MD – Associate Professor of Medicine, Infectious Diseases, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Marina Serper, MD, MS – Associate Professor of Medicine, Gastroenterology, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

John Wolf, PhD – Research Associate Professor of Neurosurgery, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

#### **Effective Mentoring**

Emma Meagher, MD – Professor, Medicine and Pharmacology; Senior Vice Dean for Clinical and Translational Research; Director, Translation Research Education, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

## **Protecting Your IP: An Approach to Diversifying your Funding Portfolio**

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Zev Binder, MD, PhD – Research Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

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## **Career Pathways Outside of Academia**

Karen Teff, PhD – ITMAT Education Teaching Faculty, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Former Program Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, NIH

Amanda Ackerman, MD, PhD, MSTR – Medical Director, Clinical Development & Research, Novo Nordisk

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Arun Das, MD – Chief Business Officer, Cabaletta Bio

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## **Writing a Successful Career Development Grant (K Award)**

Matthew Weitzman, PhD – Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Arthur Vincent Meigs Endowed Chair in Pediatrics, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

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## **Writing a Successful NIH R Grant**

David Mankoff, MD, PhD – Matthew J. Wilson Professor of Radiology, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Associate Director of Education and Training, Abramson Cancer Center

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## **Establishing Your Clinical Research Program & Building Your Team**

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### **Establishing Your Basic Research Program & Building Your Team**

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