



Research Round-Up

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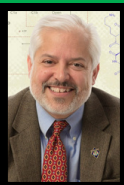
Note from Co-Directors, Dr. Nael McCarty & Dr. Benjamin Kopp

Dear Colleagues,

We hope everyone survived the Winter Blast *a la* Atlanta! Thanks to all of you for your engagement in CF-AIR. At this moment, we want to thank three people for their unending work on your behalf: Mrs. Megan Stewart, Dr. Clovis Sarmiento, and Dr. Kymry Jones. CF-AIR would not be as strong and well-managed without this team.

Thanks, y'all!

Nael and Ben



Deepika Polineni, MD, MPH

Dr. Polineni will be visiting Emory + Children's for our Research Workshop Seminar Series on Friday, January 31st from 1-2 pm in HSRB I Auditorium. She will also be the keynote speaker for our CF Family Education Day on Saturday, February 1st at Arthur M. Blank Hospital.

We look forward to welcoming Dr. Polineni to Emory + Children's!



Deepika Polineni, MD, MPH
Professor of Pediatrics & Medicine
Washington University in St. Louis
Co-Chair, CF Foundation Genetic Therapies Working Group

CF-AIR Research Workshop Seminar Series, February 2025

Date	Time	Type	Presenter
Thurs. 2/6/25	1-2 PM	Guest Lecturer	Gabriela Oates, PhD (UAB)
Thurs. 2/13/25	1-2 PM	Journal Club	Hazel Ozuna, PhD
Thurs. 2/20/25	1-2 PM	Trainee Focused	Greg Zapotoczny, PhD, MS Reg (Lurie Children's)
Thurs. 2/27/25	1-2 PM	Research Highlight	Anupama Khare, PhD (NIH)

Click [here](#) for the complete Seminar Series schedule



REMINDER

CF Family Education Day

A Special Day of Learning & Community
Hosted by Emory + Children's Care Center



Saturday, February 1st, 9 am-1 pm
Arthur M. Blank Hospital
Click [here](#) to register

Thank you to our January Research Workshop Seminar Series speakers:

Dio Kavalieratos, PhD and Brandi Middour-Oxler, DNP, PNP;

Elijah Mehlferber, PhD; and James Dahlman, PhD.

Many thanks to all who attended in-person or virtually.

We look forward to seeing you in February!

News Around the Lab



KUDOS TO...

- Ajay Kasi, MD, and Rachel Linneman, MD, on their publication about the Alyftrek clinical trials in *The Lancet Respiratory Medicine*.
- Kimmy Dickinson, MD, MPH, on her recent publication in *Pediatric Pulmonology*.
- Hazel Ozuna, PhD on her accepted publication in *Frontiers of Immunology*, along with Ben Kopp, MD, Sam Durfey, PhD, Irina Miralda, PhD and Bum-Yong Kang, PhD.
- Miquéias Lopes-Pacheco, PhD, on his publication in *Biomedicines* & award as a Scholar GPS 2024 Highly Ranked Scholar, Prior Five Years -Precision Medicine.
- Bum-Yong Kang, PhD, on his recent publication in *iScience*.
- McCarty Lab for receiving R01 grant funding.
- We are excited to announce the arrival of August Church Foye, Ezequiel (Eze) Alias Vazquez Cegla, and Callie Skye McKenzie. Best wishes to Katie Foye, Analia Vazquez Cegla, PhD, and Alysia McKenzie and their families!

Submit your Research Wows!



Scan the QR code to submit your Research Wows or contact Megan Stewart at megan.stewart@emory.edu



SAVE THE DATE!

14th Annual Southeastern Pediatric Research Conference

Georgia Aquarium

Healthy Minds, Brighter Futures:
Advancing Pediatric Research and Innovation

Friday, June 6, 2025
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM EDT

Conference Highlights:

- ▶ Keynote lectures
- ▶ Selected oral abstract presentations
- ▶ Complimentary evening aquarium admission & door prizes
- ▶ Networking opportunities
- ▶ Poster sessions & competition

REGISTER

Early bird rate: Until May 23
\$100 General | \$50 Trainees

Regular rate: May 24 - June 6
\$125 All

SUBMIT ABSTRACT

All child health research topics welcome!
Deadline: April 4, 2025

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