



# Research Round-Up

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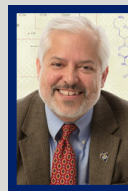
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### Note from the Director, Dr. Nael McCarty

Greetings to all of our CF-AIR teammates, I hope this finds you well, and that you made it through the recent freezes. Anyone get snow? I, for one, am ready for the mercury to rise a bit.

Several of our team members are submitting new NIH proposals for the February deadlines – best of luck to all. We have lots to celebrate, with new publications and new accolades for our team members. February brings us one very sad note, which is the move of the Kopp lab back to the frozen wastes of Ohio. Please join us on Feb 24 (researcher team) and/or Feb 25 (clinical team) to give Ben and colleagues a good send-off.

Bests, Nael



### News Around the Lab



#### KUDOS TO...

- **Joshua Chandler, PhD** and **Rabin Tirouvanziam, PhD**, co-senior authors of a [recent publication](#) in *Scientific Reports*.
- **Kristen Facey Holligan, MBBS**, for her upcoming presentation at [ATS 2026](#) in Orlando, FL in May.
- **Bum-Yong Kang, PhD**, **Viranuj Sueblinvong, MD**, and **Ben Kopp, MD, MPH**, on their [recent publication](#) in *Cells*.
- **Miquéias Lopes-Pacheco, PhD**, on his recognition by ScholarGPS as a 2025 Highly Ranked Scholar in three specialties and as a 2025 Top 2% Cited Scientist worldwide by Stanford University, as well as his [recent publication](#) in the *Journal of Molecular Structure*.

### CF-AIR Research Workshop Seminar Series, February 2026

Date	Time	Type	Presenter
Thurs. 2/5/26	1-2 PM	Research Highlight	Laura Rotolo, PhD
Thurs. 2/12/26	1-2 PM	Journal Club	Irina Miralda Molina, PhD
Thurs. 2/19/26	1-2 PM	Trainee-Focused	Liz McCarty & Amelia Randall
Thurs. 2/26/26	1-2 PM	Research Highlight	Drs. Tanicia Daley, Jessica Alvarez & Darko Stefanovski (UPenn)

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

### NIH Biosketch Changes



Key changes are effective as of January 25, 2026.

Link [here](#) for resources to assist with the SciENcv requirement for NIH common forms.



### Thank you to our recent Seminar Series speakers

Dr. Rob Quinn (Michigan State), Jonica Brown, Dr. Stephanie Lovinsky-Desir (Columbia University), Dr. Laurence Boitet (UAB), Dr. David Fedele (Nemours Children's), and Dr. Nael McCarty.

We look forward to seeing you all again soon!

### Save the Date!

Join us for a social hour and refreshments as we send off **Dr. Ben Kopp** to his next endeavor at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio

**Tuesday, February 24, 2026**

**4 pm**

**ECC 302**



Photos above from the recent CF-AIR Holiday White Elephant Gift Exchange and Potluck Lunch. Special thanks to **Hazel Ozuna, PhD**, for her help with this festive and fun event!



### Mark Your Calendar!

**Atlanta Great Strides**

**Saturday, May 16th**

Click [here](#) for more information!



### Submit your Research Wows!

We want to hear about your research successes! Scan the QR code to submit your Research Wows or contact Megan Stewart ([megan.stewart@emory.edu](mailto:megan.stewart@emory.edu)).



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