



Research Round-Up

CF-AIR and CF@LANTA



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Note from the Director, Dr. Nael McCarty



Hello to our CF-AIR/CF@LANTA team, Please see below for some brief news items, compiled into one place for easy tracking. We hope that everyone will be able to join the Great Strides walk described below. We learned last week that the CFF wants our team to lead the start of the walk again this year – the patients and families love seeing us there. If you are able to attend, please sign up under Team CF@LANTA. No need to fundraise! Just come join the fun, and be present for our CF community. Finally, although the Shamrockin' event was cancelled due to storms, you can still access the online auction for a few more days at:

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Keep on researchin'! -Nael

CF-AIR Research Workshop Seminar Series, April 2025

Date	Time	Type	Presenter
Thurs. 4/3/25	1-2 PM	Guest Lecturer	Jarrad Scarlett, MD, PhD (Seattle Children's)
Thurs. 4/10/25	1-2 PM	Trainee Focused	Nael McCarty, PhD
Thurs. 4/17/25	1-2 PM	Trainee Focused	Brian Dobosh, PhD
Thurs. 4/24/25	1-2 PM	Research Highlight	Julie Champion, PhD (Georgia Tech)

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

Thank you to our March Research Workshop Seminar Series speakers:

Drs. Peter Jorth (Cedars Sinai), Diego Moncada, Brittany Ross (Georgia State), Rabindra Tirouvanziam & Joshua Chandler.

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

We look forward to seeing you in April!

Pediatric Research Alliance Pilot Grants

Letters of Intent Due April 10th

For faculty and centers in the Pediatric Research Alliance, pilot grants are designed to stimulate new research projects, build new collaborations, and increase extramural funding for pediatric research.

Three types of awards are available:

Type 1: Junior Faculty Focused (JFF) Award - \$50,000 per award

Type 2: Center Award - \$50,000 per award

Type 3: Program Planning Pilot (P*3) Award: up to \$100,000 per award

Application Process:

Letters of Intent (LOIs) are required and must be submitted by the April deadline of the year the project starts. The LOIs will be evaluated based on the feasibility of the proposed science leading to the development of the applicant's research career. Letter of Intent due April 10th. Full invited proposal due June 26th. Project Period: October 1 - September 30

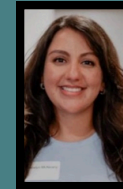
Click [HERE](#) for more information about Pilot Grants

Submit your Research Wows!

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



Spotlight: Josie McNeany



Clinical Research Coordinator Josie McNeany

McNeany was recently chosen to be involved in the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's

programming on a national level, to educate the Spanish-speaking CF community on the types of genetic therapies in development for CF and the current clinical trial opportunities. In an upcoming webinar, Josie will be presenting an introduction to genetic therapy technologies in the pipeline, along with an additional presenter from the basic science team at CFF. Her portion of the presentation will be focused on clinical trials, including the logistics of enrollment and participation. Josie is a certified Medical Spanish Interpreter.

Atlanta Great Strides

Saturday, May 17th

Suwanee Town Center

Join us for a 3-mile walk to support our mission to cure cystic fibrosis.

This Cystic Fibrosis Foundation community event brings together those working towards a cure for CF, raising awareness, support, and funds. Great Strides is the CFF's largest national fundraising event.

Click [here](#) for more details and to register. When registering, please choose the "CF@LANTA" team.



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