Urology Care Foundation Research Honors Program – 2020 Special Publication

The Urology Care Foundation Research Honors Program and Reception is an annual event held during the AUA Annual Meeting. This special occasion is dedicated to celebrating Foundation-supported research awardees and announcing several Awards of Distinction that honor career-long contributions to urology research. Despite the cancellation of this year’s meeting, the AUA and its Urology Care Foundation are excited to present a special digital publication help recognize the achievements of these outstanding individuals.

Help Advance Advocacy for Urologic Research!

Did you know that the AUA’s Research Advocacy Committee champions for public, private, and philanthropic support of urologic research by collaborating with an array of urology stakeholders? If you are active in research-related service with a strong track record of achievement in urologic research and/or research advocacy, you are encouraged to join this committee that has a proven track record of ensuring that urology remains a top strategic focus among federal agencies including NIH and congressional lawmakers. To learn more about the committee structure and ways you can contribute to this valuable effort, please reach out to Jessica Bateman, Sr. Manager Patient & Research Advocacy at JBateman@auanet.org.

Conferences & Workshops

Registration Open! Advancing Basic and Translational Research for Genitourinary Conditions: Female Urethral Function and Failure

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) is pioneering a virtual workshop series comprised of seven weekly sessions beginning on September 30, 2020. Workshop participants will share knowledge, ask questions and engage in real time and asynchronous discussions regarding urethral function and failure to iteratively generate a systems model that will demonstrate what is known about the urethra’s role in continence and identify gaps in our knowledge that impede progress towards better treatments. The generation of a systems model incorporating interdisciplinary perspectives will facilitate development of
meaningful research questions that can lead to novel, impactful grant applications with the goal of improving women's health.

Urologists Advocating to Advance Clinical Research Webinar

Join the AUA’s incoming Research Council Chair Dr. Steve Kaplan to learn about the AUA’s research advocacy initiatives, which are designed to protect and secure federal funding for urologic research. Panelists will address grassroots advocacy strategies and outreach efforts to lawmakers at the local and national level. The webinar will be held on October 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. EDT.

Funding Opportunities

2021 Research Scholar Award Competition Opening Soon

With a commitment to continuing their strong support for urologic research, the AUA and its Urology Care Foundation are announcing that the 2021 Research Scholar Award competition will open in summer 2020. In light of the unprecedented challenges for biomedical research and training due to the coronavirus pandemic, and to provide adequate time for application preparation, the application deadline will be extended to November 5, 2020. Letters of intent are required and will be due by October 8, 2020. Questions about applying to the 2021 program can be directed to grantsmanager@auanet.org.

Institutional Network Award for Promoting Kidney, Urologic, and Hematologic Research Training (U2C-Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to invite new Institutional Network Awards (U2C/TL1) to cultivate a highly integrated cohort of trainees and early career investigators and to develop career development resources to accelerate kidney, urologic, and hematologic research. To maximize integration and promote a true trainee community, Institutions are invited to submit a single, unified U2C/TL1 application to engage, recruit, prepare, and sustain the next generation of kidney, urology, and hematology researchers. Applications covering a single metropolitan area are strongly encouraged. The application deadline is September 28, 2020.