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Subject: Call for abstracts for the IIG/FDA Annual Retreat is now open and will close Dec. 15, 2024!!



NIH/FDA IMMUNOLOGY INTEREST GROUP ANNUAL RETREAT

**University of the District of Columbia
Washington, DC, United States**

February 3-4, 2025

One important activity of the NIH/FDA Immunology Interest Group is our annual retreat. Immunologists from the entire NIH and FDA communities are welcome. Principal Investigators, staff scientists, and trainees from many institutes and centers participate each year. In addition, editors from scientific journals are invited to attend. The IIG workshop is always over-subscribed, thus, trainees who submit abstract are given priority. Most of the oral and poster presentations are given by trainees and thus serve as an important training opportunity. This event is a vital part of the immunology community here and provides an organized forum allowing immunologists from distinct intramural institutes to meet, share scientific expertise, and establish collaborations.

Please submit images to be considered for the cover of the Retreat Program!

Send to bkelsall@nih.gov or nihal.altan-bonnet@nih.gov.

We hope to have everyone in the NIH and FDA communities participate, and this year will include a special session devoted to the contributions of Howard Young to the IIG, the NIH, and the broader scientific community!

Abstract Submission Guidelines

All abstract submissions will be considered for an oral presentation (short talk), if indicated on the submission form. All first authors of abstracts will be automatically registered for the retreat, and the registration for remaining slots will take place in early January. We also encourage PIs to submit abstracts for poster presentation that reflects the general directions of their laboratories or that address other topics or research questions of interest. Go to:

<https://forms.gle/eLqvrJhmMWfPMQNg9>

to submit your registration/abstract.

Deadline for submission is December 15, 2024.

First come first serve; places being limited, do not wait to submit your abstract!!

List of Topics for Abstract Submissions

- Salute to Howard Young: IFN- γ biology and its role in infectious disease, cancer, immunodeficiencies, and autoimmunity
- Allergy & Autoimmune Diseases
- Antigen Recognition
- Cancer Immunology
- Clinical Immunology
- Immune Cell Development
- Immunotherapy & Vaccines
- Infectious Disease
- Innate Immunity
- Microbiome & Barrier Immunity
- Systems Immunology
- Other

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*Special thanks to Gregoire Altan-Bonnet and the 2023-2024 Immunology Interest Group Steering Committee

Venue - Dates

The conference will be held at the University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC at the Van Ness-UDC metro stop on the Red Line.

Monday February 3rd & Tuesday February 4th 2025

Contact

All questions about submissions should be emailed to: evaristus.mbanefo@nih.gov