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## **Academy for Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Research Announces 2019 Travel Award Recipients**

*This year's Council of Early Career Investigators in Imaging (CECI<sup>2</sup>)  
showcases nominees from both Society & Academic Radiology  
Departments.*

WASHINGTON, DC - The Academy for Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Research (the Academy) is proud to announce the 2019 recipients of travel awards from the Academy's Academic Council (ARRAC) and Member Imaging Societies to travel to Washington, DC and participate in events surrounding the 10th Annual Medical Imaging Technology Showcase on Capitol Hill. Awardees will be welcomed as members of the Academy Council of Early Career Investigators in Imaging (CECI<sup>2</sup>), an active advocacy Council of the Academy.

### **Please join the Academy in congratulating the following award recipients:**

Steven H. Baete, PhD	New York University Langone Health
Ramon Francisco Barajas, Jr., MD	Oregon Health & Science University
Bital Savir-Baruch, MD	SNMMI
Christiane Burton, PhD	Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
Rachelle Crescenzi, PhD	Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Erin K. Englund, PhD	ISMRM
Audrey Fan, PhD	Stanford University
Lesley Flynt, MD	SNMMI
Melissa Haskell	Massachusetts General/Harvard
Susie Yi Huang, MD, PhD	RSNA
Mai-Lan Ho, MD	SPR
Jeongchul Kim, PhD	Wake Forest School of Medicine
Abhinav Kumar Jha, PhD	Washington University in St. Louis
Amie Y. Lee, MD	University of California San Francisco
Yueh Z. Lee, MD, PhD	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Emily L. Marshall, PhD	AAPM
Prashant Nagpal, MD	University of Iowa
Sumit Narayan Niogi, MD, PhD	Weill Cornell Medicine

Sam Payabvash, MD	Yale University
Nancy Pham, MD	UC Davis Medical Center
Ali Pirasteh, MD	SCBT-MR
David A. Reiter, PhD	Emory University
Mark A. Sellmyer, MD, PhD	University of Pennsylvania
Anna Sorace, PhD	University of Alabama at Birmingham
Elizabeth J. Sutton, MD	Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Brian Taylor, PhD	AAPM
Sina Tavakoli, MD, PhD	University of Pittsburgh
Anna Trofimova, MD, PhD	Emory University
Aradhana M. Venkatesan, MD	Univ. of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

**The CECI<sup>2</sup> awardees will receive a stipend to travel to Washington, DC to participate in the following:**

Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

- Meetings at the National Institutes of Health with Directors and program staff at various Institutes and Centers
- Participation in the Academy's Coalition for Imaging & Bioengineering Research (CIBR) evening Networking Reception (attended by academic leaders, industry partners, patients, patient advocates, and society leadership)

Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

- Audit and observe the Academy leadership Research Roundtable Discussion
- Attend personalized visits to Congressional offices
- Participation in the Medical Imaging Technology Showcase on Capitol Hill (Showcase)

CECI<sup>2</sup> members prepare and present a research display, depicting current research at their institution. These displays are meant to convey innovative imaging research to a lay audience on Capitol Hill. The research is displayed at one or all events to include: The Showcase, Congressional visits during Hill Day, and during our CIBR evening reception.

The Academy formed CECI<sup>2</sup> as part of its commitment to ensuring that the next generation of imaging scientists has an opportunity to engage and further understand the importance of advocacy. The CECI<sup>2</sup> Co-Chairs, Dr. Rebecca Rakow-Penner and Dr. Jadranka Stojanovska, spearhead CECI<sup>2</sup>'s participation with the Academy's advocacy efforts on behalf of federal investments in imaging research. Additionally, the CECI<sup>2</sup> serves as a networking and educational resource for its members. We are thrilled to welcome this year's CECI<sup>2</sup> Awardees!

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**About the Academy for Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Research's Academic Council (ARRAC):** ARRAC is comprised of the top academic radiology departments in the U.S. It focuses on building awareness of the advances in patient care made possible by the cutting-edge imaging research being performed at the nation's premier academic institutions.