

American Academy of Allergy Asthma & Immunology Foundation

Funding research that leads to the prevention and cure of asthma and allergic and immunologic disease.

### MESSAGE FROM THE COUNCIL CHAIR



The past year has seen a number of significant changes in the fundraising arm of the AAAAI, beginning with a name change from the ARTrust to the AAAAI Foundation. The new name clearly and importantly links us to our parent organization. In addition, the Foundation has also refocused its mission to "funding research that leads to the prevention and cure of asthma and allergic and immunologic disease."

Patient care in our specialty is entering an exciting new era with major advances rapidly evolving. Technology is providing new medications and insight into the pathogenesis of the diseases we treat. Treatment is moving toward precision/personalized medicine. In food allergy, we are seeing prevention of sensitization. Greater understandings of immune deficiencies are continually emerging. To most effectively avail our specialty of these opportunities, we have committed the efforts of the AAAAI Foundation to supporting young investigators. With this focus, the Foundation is convinced that the specialty of Allergy and Immunology will grow as these young investigators identify new advances which will lead to improved care of our patients.

The most important step in achieving this mission is the continued and generous support of our members. The young investigators we fund will drive advances in our specialty. Your generous support will make this research funding possible and make the lives of our patients better.

William W. Busse, MD, FAAAAI

# 2015 ARTrust Summit

Left to right:
David B. Peden, MD, MS, FAAAAI
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Held in June of 2015, the Summit brought together researchers, clinicians, AAAAI leadership, former ARTrust Award recipients and external foundation executives for thoughtful conversation about the organization's future. Their recommendations were later approved by the AAAAI Board of Directors and included the name change to AAAAI Foundation, a revised leadership and reporting structure, and a primary research support focus through two annual Faculty Development Awards.

# Name Change



Formerly the Allergy, Asthma & Immunology Education and Research Organization, Inc., or the ARTrust™, we are now known as the **AAAAI**Foundation. This name change became effective on September 1, 2015 and more closely links the AAAAI and its philanthropic arm while making our mission very clear.

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#### **MISSION**

Funding research that leads to the prevention and cure of asthma and allergic and immunologic disease.

# Meet the AAAAI Foundation Council

The governance structure of the AAAAI Foundation allows for direct and frequent reporting to the AAAAI Board of Directors. The members of the AAAAI Foundation Council each have a specific role and lead efforts in Annual Giving, Research and Long Range Planning, Annual Meeting Special Events, Lectureship Fundraising and the upcoming Capital Campaign.



Chair
William W. Busse, MD, FAAAAI
As the Chair of the AAAAI Foundation Council,
Dr. Busse works with the Council to set overall
goals, spearhead strategic planning efforts,
lead Foundation Council meetings and present

recommendations to the Board of Directors.



AAAAI President-Elect

David B. Peden, MD, MS, FAAAAI

As President-Elect of the AAAAI, Dr. Peden serves
as a direct link between AAAAI leadership and the
Foundation Council, and encourages the Board's
involvement in AAAAI Foundation events and
initiatives



AAAAI Secretary-Treasurer

Robert A. Wood, MD, FAAAAI

As Secretary-Treasurer of the AAAAI, Dr. Wood serves as a direct link between the AAAAI Board of Directors and the Foundation Council, and provides guidance on Foundation initiatives.



Annual Giving Chair
Sharon B. Markovics, MD, FAAAAI
Dr. Markovics provides guidance on annual
fundraising, develops new approaches for
fundraising, and leads the GAIN Campaign (Grow
Allergy & Immunology Now).



R. Stokes Peebles, Jr., MD, FAAAAI
Dr. Peebles offers guidance on the development
of a capital campaign consistent with our mission
statement that includes research, understanding
industry trends, and the multi-leveled groundwork
necessary for success.

Capital Campaign Chair



Lectureships and Major Gifts Chair Jonathan A. Bernstein, MD, FAAAAI Dr. Bernstein provides leadership and guidance on the development of Foundation Lectureships and works with major donors to provide funding for the Foundation's grants and overall mission.



Mariana C. Castells, MD, PhD, FAAAAI
Dr. Castells guides the efforts of the AAAAI
Foundation's grant review and awards process
consistent with our mission statement, oversees
tracking and reporting of our grant impact, and
identifies future leadership for the Council.

Research and Long Range Planning Chair



Special Events Chair

Joseph D. Diaz, MD

Dr. Diaz oversees the AAAAI Foundation's Benefit and Run/Walk events at the Annual Meeting and helps increase contributions through improved member participation in the activities.

# Meet the Staff



Lee Wiensch, Executive Director



Anne Koenings, MA, Development Manager



Jerome Schultz, Awards Manager



# GROW ALLERGY & IMMUNOLOGY NOW – GAIN Campaign

The AAAAI Foundation Council has designated the GAIN Campaign as its "Area of Greatest Need" for 2016. Every gift this year, unless designated otherwise, will be directed to this effort to fund a third Faculty Development Award in 2017.

With your help, we can grant three AAAAI Foundation Faculty Development Awards in 2017.

# **New Award Recipients**



Faculty Development Award

Andrew Kau, MD, PhD

Washington University School of Medicine
"The Microbiota and Mucosal Immune Responses in the Development of Asthma"

Award term: July 2015 - June 2018



ALA/ARTrust: Allergic Respiratory Diseases Award Susan Cassel, MD, FAAAAI Cedars-Sinai Medical Center "Role of Discrete Th17 Subsets in Steroid Refractory Asthma" Award term: July 2015 - June 2017



Hope APFED/ARTrust Pilot Grant Award Antonella Cianferoni, MD, PhD, FAAAAI The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia "Genotype Phenotype Correlation in Eosinophilic Esophagitis"

Award term: July 2015 - June 2017



ARTrust/TMS Research Award in
Mastocytosis and/or Mast Cell Activation
Jonathan Lyons, MD
NIAID/NIH
"Convergence of Autosomal Dominant Familial
Tryptasemia and Mast Cell Associated Diseases"
Award term: July 2015 - June 2016

I received the Faculty Development Award at what I consider a crucial time. I was beginning to look for tenure track research opportunities when I received the award; I feel certain that the award helped establish potential for my research plan and created many subsequent opportunities. The award has been transformative scientifically as I establish my lab as it has allowed me to expand the scope of our scientific questions and plan more ambitious experiments. 

— Andrew Kau, MD, PhD

# **Ongoing Award Commitments**

# 2013 Faculty Development Award Patricia Fulkerson, MD, PhD

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
"Regulation of Eosinophil Progenitors by Toll-Like
Receptors"

Award term: July 2013 - June 2016

#### 2012 ARTrust Faculty Development Award

#### Patrick J. Brennan, MD, PhD

Brigham & Women's Hospital
"Dietary Lipids Alter the Immune System by
Activating NKT Cells"
Award term: July 2012 - June 2015

2013 HOPE APFED/ARTrust Pilot Grant Award MSF

#### Seema Sharma Aceves, MD, PhD, FAAAAI

University of California San Diego "Novel Epithelial Markers for Tissue Fibrosis in Pediatric Eosinophilic Esophagitis" Award term: July 2013 - June 2015

2014 Hope APFED/ARTrust Pilot Grant Award

#### Michiko Oyoshi, PhD, MSc

Boston Children's Hospital Harvard Medical School "Mechanisms of Eosinophil Recruitment to Esophagitis Driven by Cutaneous Sensitization" Award term: July 2014 - June 2016 2014 ARTrust Gail G. Shapiro Clinical Faculty Award

#### Michelle I. Hernandez, MD

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of

"Measurement of Asthma Control in African American Adolescents with Asthma Using the ACT"

Award term: July 2014 - June 2017

#### 2014 ARTrust/TMS Research Award in Mastocytosis and/or Mast Cell Activation

#### Tanya Laidlaw, MD

Brigham and Women's Hospital
"Characterization of a Novel Growth and Survival
Factor for Human Mast Cells"
Award term: July 2014 - June 2015

2014 ARTrust/Food Allergy Research & Education, Inc. Howard Gittis Memorial 3rd/4th Year Fellowship/Junior Faculty Research Award

#### Emily McGowan, MD

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
"Folic Acid Supplementation: A Risk Factor for the
Development of Food Allergy?"
Award term: July 2014 - June 2016

#### MINI GRANTS

#### Maureen Damitz, AE-C

Chicago Asthma Consortium
"Asthma Community Advisory Board for Chicago"

#### Jennifer Leiding, MD

University of South Florida
"Investigation of Endothelial Dysfunction as
Measured by Endothelial Adhesion Markers in
Chronic Granulomatous Disease"

#### David Morris, MD

Cincinnati Children's Hospital
"Characterization of Eosinophil Progenitors in the
Peripheral Blood of Pediatric Patients with Active
Eosinophilic Esophagitis"

#### Kari Nadeau, MD, PhD, FAAAAI

Stanford University

"Establishing Epigenetics Differences between iTreg and nTreg"

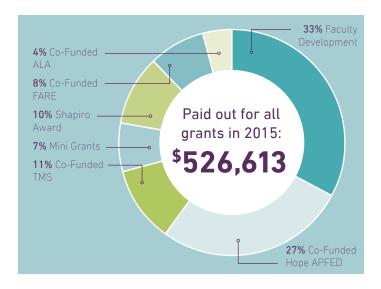
#### Karen Rance, DNP, RN, CPNP, AE-C

Indiana Joint Asthma Coalition
"Implementing a Statewide Asthma Management
Plan in Indiana"

#### Yamini Virkud, MD, MA

Massachusetts General Hospital "Predictors of Adverse Events Associated with Peanut Oral Immunotherapy"

# 2015 By The Numbers





\$639,060 Total New Income

Foundation Endowment Fund Balance as of December 31, 2015:

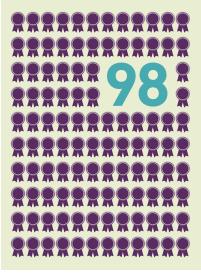
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13 ongoing award commitments

new

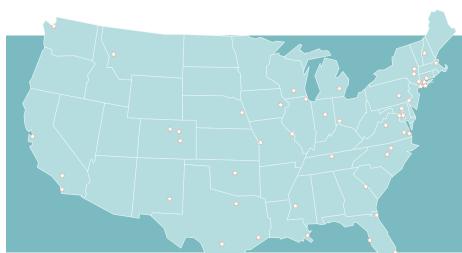
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98 grants

\$6.1
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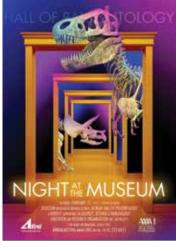


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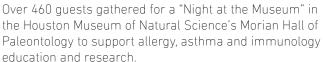
33 Cities
Across the
United States

# ARTrust Benefit and Third Annual 5K Run/Walk

\$111,434 Raised via "Night At The Museum" Benefit











Linda and Marshall Grodofsky, MD, FAAAAI, explore the hall's 60 dinosaur and mammalian displays.







More than 500 people helped "Light Up the Night" in Houston by running and walking for allergy and asthma research.

\$38,784 Raised via "Light Up the Night" Run/Walk



ARTrust Run/Walk Working Group. From left to right: Joseph D. Diaz, MD; Ashwini Reddy, MD; Eugene M. Choo, MD, FAAAAI; Dennis K. Ledford, MD, FAAAAI

# Inaugural Service Awards





The ARTrust Service Award was developed by the ARTrust Steering Committee to recognize individuals who have made notable and significant efforts to grow the organization.

ARTrust Service Award recipients, left John A. Anderson, MD, FAAAAI and right Jerome Schultz, pictured with Dennis K. Ledford, MD, FAAAAI

# ARTrust Lectures Presented at 2015 Annual Meeting



Dr. William W. and Judith H. Busse Lectureship

Lecturer: Mariana C. Castells, MD, PhD, FAAAAI "Drug Allergy: Protocols You Should Add to Your Clinical Practice"



Stephen D. Lockey, Jr., MD Lectureship

Lecturer: Mario Castro, MD, MPH "Severe Asthma: From Bench to Guidelines"



Donald Y.M. Leung, MD, PhD-JACI Editors Lectureship

Lecturer: Serpil C. Erzurum, MD "Severe Asthma: From Bench to Guidelines"



Anjuli Seth Nayak, MD Lectureship

Lecturer: Karin A. Pacheco, MD, MSPH, FAAAAI "The Air We Breathe: Indoor and Outdoor Pollutants"



Phil and Barbara Lieberman and Friends Lectureship

Lecturer: Erika Von Mutius, MD, MSc "How the Microbial Environment Influences the Development of Allergic Diseases: What We Know and What We Can Do"



William T. Shearer and Lynn Des Prez Lectureship

Lecturer: Hirohito Kita, MD
"New Players in Allergic Immune Responses"



THANK YOU TO THE 2015 ARTrust STEERING COMMITTEE

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"I am truly grateful for the AAAAI Foundation Award, as it was the turning point that allowed me to stay in academic research. It came at exactly the right time in my career and was exactly the right amount to enable further success."

Jordan Orange, MD, FAAAAI -2005 Award Recipient

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ALA - American Lung Association APFED - American Partnership for Eosinophilic Disorders

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TMS -The Mastocytosis Society, Inc.

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