



2020 Southern Regional Meeting

AWARD RECIPIENTS

AFMR Henry Christian Award

Huixian Hong, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Priyadarshini Loganathan, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
Majd Michael, Texas Tech University of El Paso

Cardiovascular Case Report Award

Drew Daniels, University of Mississippi Medical Center
Ahmad Hallak, Texas Tech University
Christen H. Harris, LSU Health Sciences Center
James N. Kiage, University of Tennessee Health Science Center
Haneen Mallab, Texas Tech University Health sciences Center
Michael B. Omar, University of Florida College of Medicine
Parikshat Sharma, Golden State Hospitalists
Richard D. Silva-Cantillo, VA Caribbean Healthcare

Nathan Solomon & Irene Oransky-Solomon Award

Caleb Max, University of Tennessee Health Science Center
Ashkan Shahbandi, Tulane University School of Medicine

SAFMR/SSCI Junior Faculty Research Travel Award

Harsha Karanchi, Medical University of South Carolina
Tadashi Yoshida, Tulane University

SAFMR/SSCI Student Research Award

Ashwin Ajith, Georgia Cancer Center
Annie L. Bell, Tulane University School of Medicine
Abraham B. Chabot, Tulane University School of Medicine
Caroline G. Coleman, Emory University School of Medicine
Clayton L. Davis, University of Arkansas Medical Sciences
Heather Davis, Ochsner Clinic Foundation
Travis Dobbin, University of Queensland/Ochsner Clinical School
Melissa R. Downey, Medical College of Georgia
Emily E. Evans, Emory University
Anam Haque, McGovern Medical School
Kristin Harrington, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University School of Medicine
Carl Haupt, Ochsner Health System
Candace M. Howard, University of Mississippi Medical Center
Jeanne Ishimwe, University of Mississippi Medical Center
Lauren A. Jeffers, Emory University
Rebecca Joseph, University of Central Florida
Chin Fung Kelvin Kan, Ochsner Clinical School-University of Queensland, Laboratory of Translational Cancer Research
Mary Kelly, Emory University
Darya Khani, Emory University

Jae Gyun Maeng, *Quillen College of Medicine - East Tennessee State University*
 Ganesh B. Maniam, *Texas Tech University Health Science Center*
 Will McDonough, *University of South Alabama*
 Sarah Miller, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Emily N. Nguyen, *Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center*
 Kailash N. Pandey, *Tulane University Health Sciences Center*
 Jay R. Patel, *University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center*
 Pranav Prabu, *Medical College of Georgia*
 Owen Richfield, *Tulane University*
 Faaiz Saad, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*
 Darius Stephens, *Morehouse School of Medicine*
 Seth Swinney, *Texas Tech University Health Science Center*
 Thomas S. Truong, *Ochsner Health System*
 Sidney Tucker, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Vipin Varghese, *University of Queensland - Ochsner Clinical School*
 Elliot Varney, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Hannah Wilkerson, *Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center*
 Kenyada Williams, *Meharry Medical College*
 Di Xia, *Augusta University*
 George S. Yeung, *Ochsner Clinical School, University of Queensland*
 Katherine Yu, *McGovern Medical School*

SAFMR/SSCI Trainee Research Award

Max Adelman, *Emory University*
 Hiba Ali, *Ochsner Medical Center*
 Genanew D. Bedanie, *Texas Tech University Health Science Center*
 Anil Chimakurthy, *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center*
 Craig Cook, *Emory University*
 Patrick Dauphin, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Omar Elfeky, *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center*
 Vincent Gacad, *Tulane University*
 Akshay Goel, *University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences*
 Robert A. Greer, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Ibrahim Haddad, *East Tennessee State University*
 Kirstin G. Hesterberg, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Ilya Ivyanskiy, *Texas Tech University HSC Amarillo*
 Isaac Jaben, *Medical University of South Carolina*
 Sanjida Jahan, *Ochsner Clinic Foundation*
 Sarah M. Jeong, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Daniel Kelly, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Varun Kohli, *East Tennessee State University*
 Katherine Mascia, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*
 Dexter Matrana, *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center*
 Lara McKean Baste, *Ochsner Medical Center*
 Ryley McPeters, *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center*
 Neal Mehta, *White River Health System*
 Taylor Morris, *Ochsner Clinic Foundation*
 Yara Mouawad, *Tulane University*
 Amelia Muniz Hernandez, *Emory University School of Medicine*
 Jose E. Najul, *Ochsner Clinic Foundation*
 Angela Nakahara, *Ochsner Medical Center*
 Zohra Prasla, *Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta VAHCS*
 Nikita L. Rabelo-Pagan, *University of Puerto Rico*
 Joel Raja, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Kevin Rechcigl, *University of Florida College of Medicine*
 Keerthi Reddy, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Sumana Reddy, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Arya Mariam Roy, *University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences*
 Nicoleta Rus, *Texas Tech University HSC Amarillo*
 Firas Safa, *Tulane University*

Ayesha Sajjad, *Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center*
 Michael Y. Soliman, *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center*
 Stephen J. Soufleris, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Frederique St-Pierre, *Mayo Clinic*
 Aditi V. Varma, *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center*
 Cameron B. Wilhoit, *Medical University of South Carolina*
 Jesse Juncong Xie, *University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences*
 John Xie, *Tulane Medical Center*

SSCI Nephrology Young Investigator Scholar Award

Fabian Bock, *Vanderbilt University Medical Center*
 Hannah Gardner, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*
 Cesar F. Hernandez-Arroyo, *Ochsner Clinic Foundation*
 Arun Rajasekaran, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*
 Matthew Sinclair, *Duke University Medical Center, Duke Clinical Research Institute*
 Justin Sprick, *Emory University, Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care System*
 Rohit Upadhyay, *Tulane University School of Medicine*

SSCI Poster Award Finalists

Edward Florez, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Lauren Jeffers, *Emory University*
 Elliot Varney, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*

SSCI Young Investigator Award

Jennifer Hong, *Tulane University School of Medicine*
 Alexander C. Razavi, *Tulane University School of Medicine and Public Health and Tropical Medicine*
 Maria Soledad Rivera, *University of Queensland, Ochsner Clinic Foundation*

SSCI Young Investigator for General Medicine

Bryant Shuey, *University of South Florida*

SSPR Basic Science Young Investigator Award Finalists

David Box, *University of Oklahoma*
 John I. Coon, *University of Texas Medical Branch*
 Amy Freeman, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*

SSPR Clinical Science Young Investigator Award Finalists

Leslie-Anne Dietrich, *UT Health Science San Antonio*
 Rebekah C. Gardea, *University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio*
 Tavleen Sandhu, *University of Oklahoma*

SSPR David Oelberg Honorary Trainee Travel Award

Nilesh Dankhara, *University of Mississippi*
 Ahmed L. Elsaie, *Baylor College of Medicine*

SSPR Trainee Travel Award

Murad Almasri, *University of Texas Medical Branch*
 Maria E. Barbian, *Emory University*
 Taylor M. Boles, *Rice University*
 Charlie Boyle, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Gabriel Castano, *University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio*
 Janhavi Govande, *Texas Children's Hospital*
 Melissa D. Gruver, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Morghan Jameson, *ETSU Quillen College of Medicine*
 Maggie L. Jerome, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*
 Mounica Konjeti, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*
 Marco Loayza, *University of Mississippi Medical Center*
 Mishika Malik, *University of Connecticut School of Medicine, Connecticut Children's*

Radhika Mohan, UT Health Science Center at San Antonio
Ann E. Murphy, University of Tennessee Health Science Center
Anshu A. Paul, Baylor College of Medicine
Morgan J. Sims, Medical University of South Carolina
Ellen P. Soufleris, University of Tennessee Health Science Center
Mark Stephens, University of Kentucky
Bianca M. Vamesu, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Sean Woods, Emory University

SSPR Young Faculty Travel Award

Nicholas Carr, Brooke Army Medical Center
Eric B. Ortigoza, UT Southwestern Medical Center
Mitali Pakvasa, Emory University, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta