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October 27, 2026



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Faculty Awards

AAMC Award for Distinguished Research in the Biomedical Sciences

Jonathan Haines, PhD
2026 Recipient



Faculty Awards

Distinguished University Professor

Anthony Wynshaw-Boris, MD, PhD
2026 Recipient



Faculty Awards

Walter Boron, MD, PhD
American Physiological Society (APS) Cell and Molecular Physiology Society 2027 Davson Awardee



Benjamin Clayton, PhD
Inaugural 2025 End AxD Grant Program Recipient



Andrew Golden, MD
AAMC M. Brownell "Brownie" Anderson Early Career Educator Award



Rosa Hand, Ph.D.
CWRU Faculty Mentor Award



Faculty Awards

Clifford Harding, MD, PhD
Treasurer of FASEB 2026–2027 Board of Directors & Executive Committee



Jonathan Karn, PhD
National Academy of Inventors Program Recipient
Senior Member



Justin Lathia, PhD
Ohio Cancer Research
2025 Discover Award for Research



Jonathan Haines, PhD
The Mark Foundation for Cancer Research
2026 ASPIRE Award



Faculty Awards

Thomas Love, PhD
2025 CWRU John S. Diekhoff Award for Distinguished Graduate Student Teaching



Grace McComsey, MD
ORTM
2025 Faculty Distinguished Research Award



Tyler Miller, MD, PhD
Sontag Foundation Distinguished Scientist Award



Laura Mintz, MD, PhD
2025 PHRI Community Partnership Award



Faculty Awards

Ronda Mourad, MD
AAIM
2027 APDIM Distinguished University Associate Program Director/Core Faculty Award



Donna Plecha, MD
National Consortium of Breast Centers
2026 Impact Award



Sanjay Rajagopalan, MD
American Heart Association Distinguished Scientist Award



Marissa Scavuzzo, PhD
The Transmitter
2025 Rising Stars of Neuroscience



Faculty Awards

Marissa Scavuzzo, PhD
Pershing Square Foundation
2026 Maximizing Innovation in Neuroscience Discovery Prize



Ashley Hughes, PhD
William C. Howell Young Investigator Award by the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society



Ashwini Seghal, MD
2025 PHRI Mentorship Award



Phoebe Stewart, PhD
National Institutes of Health
R37 Merit Award



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Grace A. McComsey, MD
2026 Maurice Saltzman Award Mt. Sinai Health Foundation



Shigemi Matsuyama, PhD
Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology Alcon Eye Pitch Award



Erika Trapl, PhD
Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco Class of 2026 Fellow

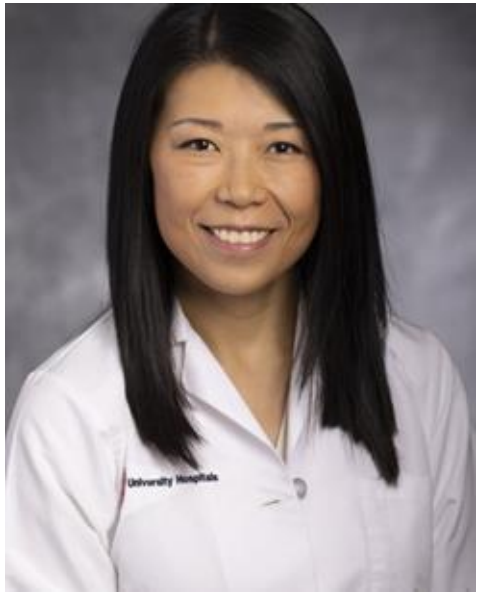


Ronald Triolo, PhD
Villanova University Engineering Alumni Dinner John J. Gallen Memorial Award



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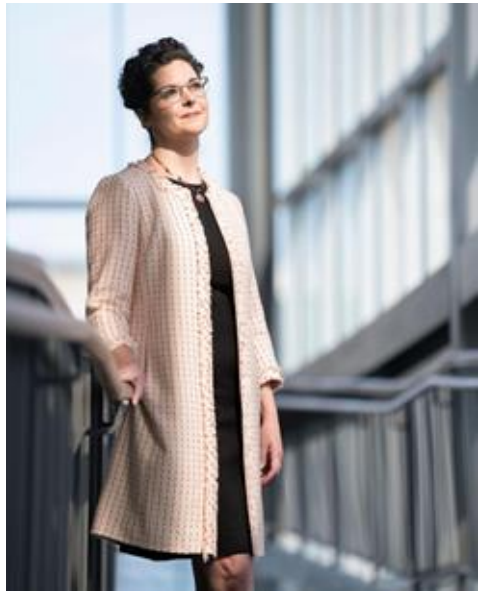
Nina Zhao, MD
NBME Strategic Educators Enhancement Fellowship Program
Fellow



Leah Gates, PhD
Hartwell Foundation Individual Biomedical Research Award



Jessica Taylor, PhD
John S. Diekhoff Awards



Anastasia Rowland-Seymour, MD
Special Recognition Award



Staff Awards

Shae Moresco
Cleveland Professional 20/30 Club
Cleveland2030 “Movers and Shakers” Class of 2026



Carolyn Hicks
Staff Participation Achievement (SPARTA) Award



Postdoctoral Awards

Jisung Yuk

American Heart Association

Postdoctoral Fellowship



Medical Student Awards

Sahil Patel
Alpha Omega Alpha
2026 ΑΩΑ Carolyn L. Kuckein
Student Research Fellowship



Joyce Kuo
National Institutes of Health
Phase 1 winner of OligoTox
Open Data Challenge



Tolulope Banjo
AAMC
Herbert W. Nickens Medical
Student Scholarship



Graduate Student Awards

Macy Urig
APSF
Patient Safety (TQI/PS)
Recognition Program Award



Indrani Das
PhRMA Foundation
2026 Predoctoral Fellowships in
Translational Medicine



Faculty Awards

David Gugliotti, MD
Kaiser-Permanente
Excellence in Teaching Award
(College Program Clinical)



Man-Sun Sy
Kaiser-Permanente Excellence
in Teaching Award
(University Program Pre-Clinical)



Adonis Hijaz
Kaiser-Permanente Excellence
in Teaching Award
(University Program Clinical)



Georges Nakhoul
Kaiser-Permanente Excellence
in Teaching Award
(College Program Pre-Clinical)



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Andrea Romani, MD, Ph.D
Faculty Interviewer for the Year: 2026



Jonathan Emery, MD
Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award



Vikas Gampa, MD
The Gender Equality Award



Rachel Pope, MD, MPH
The Gender Equality Award



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Nicholas P. Ziats, Ph.D.
Founders Award



Tony Wynshaw-Boris, MD, Ph.D.
Elected to join the National Academy of Medicine



Walter F. Boron
Scandinavian Physiological Society's 2025 Christian Bohr Prize & Davson Distinguished Lectureship



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Associate Program Director/Core
Faculty Award



Paul Tesar, Ph.D.
American Association for the
Advancement of Science
Fellow Recognition



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