2021 AFAR Grantee Conference – Virtual!

October 5 and 6

1:00 – 4:00 pm Eastern Time both days

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Tuesday, October 5

1:00 – 1:15 pm  Welcome and opening remarks
Stephanie Lederman
Executive Director, AFAR

James Kirkland, MD, PhD
Noaber Foundation Professor of Aging Research,
Mayo Clinic
President, AFAR

1:15 – 1:35 pm  William Mair, PhD (2017 BIG)
Associate Professor of Molecular Metabolism
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/william-mair/

1:35 – 1:55 pm  Rozalyn Anderson, PhD (2016 BIG)
Professor, Department of Medicine,
University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health
https://www.medicine.wisc.edu/people-search/people/staff/905/Anderson_Rozalyn

1:55 – 2:15 pm  Break

2:15 – 4:00 pm  Grantee Datablitz Presentations – groups 1 and 2
The academic equivalent of speed dating – a fast-track vehicle to understand research and possible synergies with others. Each session involves a very broad research theme, with grantees presenting their research in five minutes or less – the time limit will be strictly enforced.

There will be two breakout groups. Assignments can be found in the program booklet. Grantees who are not presenting will be assigned to a breakout room.

Presenters will screen share their own slides – AFAR can upload slides if needed.

**Wednesday, October 6**

1:00 – 1:15 pm  Opening Remarks

**Kevin Lee, PhD**
Senior Scientific & Programmatic Advisor
Glenn Foundation for Medical Research

1:15 – 1:35 pm  **David Walker, PhD** (2015 Ellison/AFAR Julie Martin Midcareer award)
Professor, Department of Integrative Biology and Physiology,
University of California, Los Angeles
[https://www.microbiome.ucla.edu/directory/name/david-walker-md/](https://www.microbiome.ucla.edu/directory/name/david-walker-md/)

1:35 – 1:55 pm  **Shin-Ichiro Imai, MD, PhD** (2016 BiG)
Professor of Developmental Biology
Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis
[https://developmentalbiology.wustl.edu/people/shin-ichiro-imai/](https://developmentalbiology.wustl.edu/people/shin-ichiro-imai/)

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2:15 – 4:00 pm  **Grantee Datablitz Presentations** – groups 3 and 4

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