2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Celebrating 25 years of training physician scientists in maternal-fetal medicine

Advancing care in pregnancy through research and education
On the cover:
Past and current recipients of the Foundation’s Scholars Program, now jointly funded with the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Foundation (AAOGF).

The Foundation for SMFM is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission is to advance care in pregnancy through research and education.

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Dear Friends of the Foundation for SMFM,

The Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (then called the Society for Perinatal Obstetricians) created a research training scholarship in 1992 to further the career development and training of the next generation of physician scientists in maternal-fetal medicine. By 2003, Society leadership decided a separate Foundation was needed to administer this award, and the Foundation for SMFM was created. In 2017, we celebrated the 25th anniversary of our Scholars Program, and we are extremely proud of the accomplishments of past and current recipients who are featured on the cover of the annual report this year in honor of this special anniversary.

In this annual report, you can read about the recipients of all our awards including the Quilligan Scholars Program, Queenan Fellowships for Global Health, Thomas Garite Mini-Sabbatical Grant, and SMFM/AAOGF Scholarship. You will learn how their awards have impacted their careers and will lead to improvements in the care of women with high-risk pregnancies in the United States and around the globe. Additional information and current applications for our programs are available at FoundationForSMFM.org.

All of our awards and programs require committee leadership and engagement to make the appropriate selections and for the ongoing mentorship and monitoring of our recipients. The dedication, time and effort of many individuals working behind the scenes with the Foundation Board is a testament to our commitment to our awardees and the future of our specialty.

The Foundation’s mission is to advance care in pregnancy through research and education, and we rely on your contributions to sustain our programs. The number of SMFM members who give annually to the Foundation has increased substantially from 133 in 2014 to 607 in 2017, which has exceeded our 2017 goal of having 500 members donate. A list of all 2017 contributors begins on page 10, and we are grateful to every single person who has donated.

One of our goals is to reach MFM fellows and to share with them the work of the Foundation early in their careers, and the First Year Fellows Retreat that the Foundation co-sponsors with the Society provides a wonderful opportunity to do this. We are so pleased that all fellows now finish their fellowship with knowledge of the Foundation and its programs and have started the tradition of a class gift. Our annual report highlights the members of the Fellowship Class of 2018 who contributed to the Fellows Class Gift Campaign, launched during their first year of MFM fellowship.

As in past years, the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology Education Foundation has continued support of our Bridge Funding Award. This award is important as it provides additional protected research time for our physician scientists as they persevere to attain independent funding. We have increased our communications and partnerships with corporations and are extremely grateful for their continued support. We extend a special thank you to AMAG Pharmaceuticals for their substantial contribution to our programs again this year.

Our Board of Directors has determined that the Foundation needs $8 million to fully fund all our existing programs. Because of the increased contributions from SMFM members and our corporate donors, and with favorable conditions in the market, our corpus has significantly increased. We are now at $5.8 million, so our goal of having the endowment to fund our programs is in sight. It is a privilege to see such progress. We hope we can rely on you in 2018 to inch further towards this goal!

On behalf of the members of the Board of Directors, thank you again for your investment in the future of maternal-fetal medicine. We could not support the Scholars and create opportunities and programs for practicing MFMs, fellows and residents without your generous donations.

With gratitude and respect,

Mary E. D’Alton, MD  
Chair, Board of Directors
The increase in SMFM-member giving in 2017 over 2016.

The amount awarded to MFMs and aspiring MFMs through Foundation research scholarships, travel grants and direct program-related activities in 2017.

The number of new Corporate Council members supporting the Foundation since July 2017.
Our premier scholarship, funded jointly with the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Foundation (AAOGF), is designed for future academic physician leaders who seek additional research training in maternal-fetal medicine. Applicants for this highly selective three-year award must have recently completed MFM subspecialty training or be in the second or third year of an ABOG-approved MFM fellowship program. The total annual funding for each scholar is $120,000.

### 2018–2021 Scholar

**Nandini Raghuraman, MD, MS**  
**Washington University in St. Louis**

**Risks of intrapartum maternal oxygen supplementation: Mechanisms for harm in the mother and neonate**

Intrapartum oxygen (O2) supplementation for Category II fetal heart tracings is nearly ubiquitous on Labor and Delivery units, with over 60% of laboring women in the United States receiving supplemental O2 at some point during labor. This practice has become standard of care, yet there is no evidence of benefit and even concern for possible harm with hyperoxygenation of the neonate. Dr. Raghuraman is investigating the utility and safety of peripartum O2 exposure. She and her team will conduct a randomized controlled trial of maternal O2 supplementation versus room air in patients with Category II fetal heart tracings to study the effect of intrapartum O2 exposure on maternal and umbilical cord malondialdehyde, a free radical-mediated marker of oxidative stress. She will also collaborate with a pediatric neurology team to use magnetic resonance diffusion tensor imaging to study the effect of intrapartum hyperoxia on the neonatal brain. Her mentors for this project include Drs. Alison Cahill and Methodius Tuuli from the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Dr. Christopher Smyser from the Departments of Neurology and Pediatrics.

### 2017–2020 Scholar

**Adetola Louis-Jacques, MD**  
**University of South Florida**

**Lactation and Association with Maternal Gut Microbiome and Epigenetic Programming**

Lactation has been associated with a subsequent risk reduction in metabolic syndrome, type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and breast and ovarian cancer. These diseases are among the leading causes of death worldwide. Hence, lactation has been proposed to be an important component of disease prevention for child-bearing women. Theories have been proposed but the molecular basis of lactation’s preventative role is not fully understood. Dr. Louis-Jacques hypothesizes that maternal lactation status at six months postpartum will be associated with significant differences in monocyte DNA methylation patterns, the gut microbiome composition and cardiometabolic clinical outcomes. Her local mentors are Maureen Groer, RN, PhD, Ronald R. Magness, PHD, and Charles Lockwood, MD, MHCM.

*The SMFM/AAOGF training program has been a tremendous opportunity. The scholarship provides the time and avenue to acquire the skills I need to develop a translational research program dedicated to studies that will improve our mechanistic knowledge of the maternal benefits of lactation. In addition, I truly appreciate the support and guidance from the faculty committee members and co-fellows and I look forward to learning a lot more from them.*

### 2016–2019 Scholar

**Jennifer Bushman Gilner, MD, PhD**  
**Duke University**

**The role of regulatory T cells in the maternal-fetal rejection phenotype of preterm birth**

Complex immunoregulation of maternal-fetal interactions is required to allow implantation, growth, and appropriately timed delivery of the semi-allogeneic fetus. While both implantation and delivery have been demonstrated to require active maternal inflammation, sufficient growth and development of the fetus depends on sustained maternal tolerance throughout most of pregnancy. Disruption of maternal tolerogenic mechanisms contributes to obstetric pathology resulting in preterm birth. Dr. Gilner is investigating the tolerogenic mechanisms in the maternal peripheral blood and decidua at the time of preterm birth by examining the phenotype and function of T cell populations. Dr. Gilner has an interest in the function of T regulatory cells in allogeneic transplantation. Investigation of maternal T regulatory cell function in women delivering preterm may provide a mechanistic link between dysfunction of immune tolerance and preterm birth.

*The SMFM/AAOGF Scholar Program is organized in a way that provides for more than monetary support. The structured meetings, retreats, and faculty site visit ensure that each Scholar has sufficient institutional support and long-term plans in place to launch our early career.*

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- Michal Elovitz, MD 2000–2002
- M. Sean Esplin, MD 1999–2001
- Lynda Hudson, MD 1998–1999
- Kim Boggess, MD 1997–1998
- Samuel Parry, MD 1996–1997
- Stephen Hunter, MD 1995–1996
- Susan Seligman, MD 1994–1995
- Kee-Hak Lim, MD 1993–1994
- Tracey Cowles, MD 1992–1993

*Funded jointly with AAOGF
Bridge Funding Award

The Foundation introduced a one-year bridge grant of $75,000 in 2015, made possible with generous support from the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG) Education Foundation. The award is designed to stabilize a research program of a promising physician scientist on the path to obtaining independent research funding in the field of maternal-fetal medicine.

2017 Bridge Funding Recipient: Emily Miller, MD, MPH

Dr. Emily Miller, Assistant Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Northwestern University, aims to understand the immunologic mechanisms that are associated with antenatal depression to ultimately understand the mechanisms that lead to adverse obstetric and perinatal outcomes. She recently completed the Women’s Reproductive Health Research program and has an overarching career goal of becoming an independently funded translational physician scientist with a focus on the impact of mood disorders on obstetric outcomes. Directly in alignment with the mission of the Society, this research holds promise to inform the development of novel treatments to avoid the maternal and neonatal complications of maternal depression.

Garite Mini-Sabbatical Grant

Dr. Thomas Garite was instrumental in the creation of the mini-sabbatical program during his tenure as Chair of the Board of Directors. Practicing MFM s and MFM fellows receive funding for a research project or clinical experience with a mentor at another institution for up to eight weeks. The Foundation provides $10,000 in annual funding for up to two recipients through this grant.

Past Recipients

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*Maternal-Fetal Medicine fellow

Recent Projects

- Obstetric Simulation Techniques
- Advanced Ultrasound Techniques
- Mood Disorders in Pregnancy
- Preterm Birth Mouse Model
- Placental Biology and Advanced Research Techniques
- Fetal Neuroimaging
- Chorionic Villus Sampling training
The Quilligan Scholars Program was established in 2013 in honor of Dr. Edward J. Quilligan, a leader and mentor in the field. The program provides mentoring and educational opportunities during the final two years of obstetrics and gynecology residency with the goal of recognizing and identifying future leaders in maternal-fetal medicine. Funded attendance at two SMFM Annual Meetings and a weekend biostatistics course are highlights of the program.

**2018 Quilligan Scholars**
- Irina Cassimatis, MD, MSc
- Ukachi Emeruwa, MD, MPH
- Jeff Federspiel, MD, PhD
- Daisy Leon-Martinez, MD
- Divya Mallampati, MD, MPH
- Melanie Maykin, MD
- Bridget Spelke, MD

**2017 Quilligan Scholars**
- Maria Andrikopoulou, MD, PhD
- Victoria Greenberg, MD
- Anne West Honart, MD
- Michael Miller, MD
- Courtney Mitchell, MD
- Emily Oliver, MBBS, MPH
- Martha Tesfalul, MD

**2016 Quilligan Scholars**
- Aleha Aziz, MD, MPH
- Michelle Debbink, MD, PhD
- Jessica Page, MD
- Kartik Venkatesh, MD, PhD
- Sarah Wernimont, MD, PhD

**2015 Quilligan Scholars**
- Yalda Afshar, MD, PhD
- Jacques Balayla, MDCM
- Mark Clapp, MD, MPH
- Ahizechukwu Eke, MD, MPH
- Ibrahim Hammad, MD

**2014 Quilligan Scholars**
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- Mohak Mhatre, MD
- Malavika Prabhu, MD
- Emily Scibetta, MD
- Amanda Yeaton-Massey, MD
Queenan Fellowships for Global Health

The Queenan Fellowships for Global Health were established in 2014 in honor of Dr. John T. Queenan. The program offers multiple opportunities for research and education in obstetrics within resource-limited settings. Regular and Associate members of SMFM are eligible to apply. The goal of these fellowships is to train future leaders in perinatal health to provide bold and sustained advancement in obstetric practice in underserved areas around the globe.

2017 Queenan Fellows

Megan Foeller, MD
MFM Fellow, Stanford University
*International Agency Mentored Research Fellowship*

Rebekah McCurdy, MD
MFM Fellow, Thomas Jefferson University
*Visiting Teaching Fellowship*

Krishnan Manikandan, MD
Mediscan Systems, Chennai, India
*Travel Fellowship*

2016 Queenan Fellows

Alisa Kachikis, MD
Stephanie Valderramos, MD, PhD
Xiu Qui, MD

2015 Queenan Fellows

Yusuf Ahmed, MD
Kelli Barbour, MD
Ingrid Liff, MD
Lucie Moravia, DO
The Foundation sponsors the annual First-Year Fellows Retreat with the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine. The Retreat provides new MFM fellows the opportunity to learn more about the Foundation and the Society, as well as meet and hear from experts in the subspecialty on topics ranging from career skills to work-life harmony. Many life-lasting friendships and professional associations are formed during this weekend. The 2017 retreat was held at Eaglewood Resort in Itasca, Illinois in October.

2016 Quilligan Scholars, now first year MFM fellows, with Michele Prince

2017 Fellows Retreat Sponsors

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Thank you for supporting our mission to advance care in pregnancy through research and education. This report recognizes contributions made to all Foundation programs between January 1 and December 31, 2017.

Great effort was made to include all contributors in this report and to ensure the accuracy of names and titles. If we have erred, please accept our apologies and let us know so we may make corrections.

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Why I Give—Joanne Stone, MD

Giving to the Foundation for SMFM is my way of expressing what I care about and what I stand for in my professional life. I have found, in our Society and the Foundation, my scientific home. Supporting an organization that promotes advances in women’s health, research, education, global health and clinical care in the field of maternal-fetal medicine is the best way I know of to ensure a better tomorrow for our patients, our trainees, and the future leaders in our field.
I support the Foundation for SMFM for a very simple reason: I am supportive of the future of our specialty and our science! I am an advocate of a “pay-it-forward” mentality. As a recipient of a financial award from SMFM (formerly SPO) for my research, I am a believer in the advantage this type of career development provides to young investigators. The Foundation is there to encourage, motivate, mentor and provide skills to the future leaders of our Society and specialty. A donation to the Foundation is a donation to the future of maternal-fetal medicine!
Why I Give—Mike Socol, MD

So much has changed during my career. When I first started, there was no ultrasound—twins were diagnosed either by x-ray in the third trimester or when after delivery of a newborn the uterus was still occupied. Labor and delivery is not dramatically different, but prenatal care barely resembles the 1970s. Knowledge and innovation lead to better medical care, and research spurs advances in knowledge and innovation. This is why I support the Foundation for SMFM, and I would strongly urge others to think of the Foundation when contemplating their philanthropic gifts.
I give to the Foundation for SMFM because it advances the field of maternal-fetal medicine. Through its programs, the Foundation makes better MFMs. The Fellows Retreat is one of the most impactful programs the Foundation funds, allowing first-year fellows to engage with each other and leaders in the field about research, career development, and life balance. The retreat for me laid the foundation for a successful fellowship and continues to serve as a guide for my career. Supporting the programs funded by the Foundation for SMFM ensures that maternal-fetal medicine will continue to thrive!

Why I Give—Rachael Overcash, MD
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  - American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology Education Foundation

- **$15,000**
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  - Sage Therapeutics

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Why I Give—Bob Resnik, MD

Ted Quilligan was my mentor in medical school, residency and beyond, and remains the closest of friends. His leadership through the Foundation for SMFM certainly encourages one to support the organization.

I have watched the Society develop from its infancy, from its nascent beginnings, to what is now clearly one of the most influential international organizations in our specialty. The scientific and educational programs of our related Foundation are outstanding. The opportunities given to promising residents headed for a career in maternal-fetal medicine through the Quilligan Scholars Program, as well as the financial support to developing investigators through the SMFM/AAOGF Scholarships, and the emphasis on global health training through the Queenan Fellowships are examples of the leadership in training provided by the Foundation. The organization deserves generous support for all the collective efforts which ultimately benefit the health of mothers and their children.
Danielle Peress, MD Memorial Fund

Danielle Peress, MD passed away on November 26, 2017 after battling stage IV lung cancer. A second year MFM fellow at the University of Pennsylvania, Dani’s love of medicine and the field of maternal-fetal medicine was evident to anyone who met her. Even after her diagnosis in August of 2016, she was determined to continue her dream. Her dedication to clinical medicine was rivaled only by her passion and enthusiasm for research. As her health declined, she expressed an interest in helping future MFM fellows fulfill their dreams of conducting research during fellowship.

The Danielle Peress Memorial Fund has been established by the Foundation for SMFM to honor Dani’s wishes – to further advance the field of maternal-fetal medicine by supporting MFM fellows in their research endeavors during fellowship. We gratefully acknowledge contributors to this fund as of January 12, 2018.
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The Foundation for SMFM gratefully acknowledges the members of our Corporate Council in 2017. These industry partners support our mission to advance care in pregnancy through research and education and are recognized on our website and at a luncheon at the SMFM Annual Meeting.

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