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Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention Announces 2023 Awardees, Award Finalists, and Special Lecturers

Keynote Lecture

Christina Bucci-Rechtweg, MD, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation

Scheduled Presentation: Protecting Mothers and Babies Through Research: A Time for Change

Josef Warkany Lecture

Stephen B. Harris, PhD, Stephen B. Harris Group

Scheduled Presentation: Building the Future of Developmental and Reproductive Toxicology Testing: Our Legacy, Our Responsibility

Robert L. Brent Lecture: Teratogen Update

Anne D. Lyerly, MA, MD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Scheduled Presentation: Teratology Research in the Shadow of the Dobbs Decision

F. Clarke Fraser New Investigator Award

Bethany R. Hannas, PhD, DABT, Eli Lilly and Company

Scheduled Presentation: Water Fleas to Women of Childbearing Potential: A Career Path Focused on Application of Developmental and Reproductive Toxicology Data to Human Health Risk Assessment

Patricia Rodier Mid-Career Award for Research and Mentoring

Lori L. Driscoll, PhD, The Colorado College

Scheduled Presentation: Interactions between Early Postnatal Experience, Gut Microbiota, and Adult Neurobehavior in a Rodent Model

Agnish Fellowship

Thomas B. Knudsen, PhD, US Environmental Protection Agency

Scheduled Presentation: Knowledge, Education, and Computational Intelligence

James G. Wilson Publication Award for the best paper published in the journal Birth Defects Research

Xiaoqing Chang, PhD, DABT, Inotiv-RTP

Quantitative *in vitro* to *in vivo* extrapolation for developmental toxicity potency of valproic acid analogues. Birth Defects Research, 114(16), 1037–1055 (2022) (doi.org/10.1002/bdr2.2019)

Edward W. Carney Distinguished Service Award

Susan L. Makris, MS, US Environmental Protection Agency (Retired)

Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention Innovator Award Finalists

- **Josh L. Everson, PhD**, University of Texas at Austin
Title: High-Throughput Detection of Craniofacial Defects in Fluorescent Zebrafish
- **Loreen Straub, MD, MS**, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School
Title: Screening for Elevated Congenital Malformation Risk Following Prenatal Antipsychotic Exposure Using Tree-Based Scan Statistics for Signal Identification
- **Almut G. Winterstein, RPh, PhD, FISPE**, University of Florida
Title: No Time to Lose: Prenatal Exposure to Teratogenic Medications and New Abortion Laws in the United States

Edward W. Carney Trainee Awards

- **Sarah G. Avila-Barnard, BS**, University of California Riverside
- **Josh L. Everson, PhD**, University of Texas at Austin

Wilson Presentation Award Finalists

Postdoctoral Fellows

- **Sabine Mainbourg, MD, PhD**, Research center of Sainte Justine University Hospital, University of Montréal
- **Sarah Park, PhD**, Center for Computational Toxicology and Exposure, US EPA
- **Maria D. Politis, DrPH, MPH**, Icahn School of Medicine of Mount Sinai
- **Eirini Tseligka, PhD**, Medicines for Malaria Venture (MMV)

Graduate Students

- **Laila Aboulatta, BPharm, PharmD**, University of Manitoba
- **Tyler Beames, BS**, University of Wisconsin–Madison
- **Alana Ferris, BS**, Columbia University
- **Kelsey Robinson, MS, DVM**, Emory University

BDRP Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Fellow Travel Awards

- **Laila Aboulatta, BPharm, PharmD**, University of Manitoba
- **Narimene Ait Belkacem, MSc**, University of Montreal
- **Sarah G. Avila-Barnard, BS**, University of California, Riverside
- **Dylan Davis, BS**, VCOM Medical School Virginia Campus
- **Amanda Dorsey, MPH** (Spring 2023), Emory University
- **Josh L. Everson, PhD**, University of Texas at Austin
- **Celeste L.Y. Ewig, PharmD**, University of Florida
- **Alana Ferris, BS**, Columbia University
- **Hunter T. Fitzpatrick, BS**, ORISE, US EPA
- **Jessica Gorgui, MSc**, University of Montreal
- **Raeden O. Gray, BS**, University of Louisville
- **Nahiyan Saiyara Khan, BSc**, University of Montreal
- **Maya Elie Laham, PharmD**, University of Montreal
- **Alekhya Lavu, PharmD**, University of Manitoba
- **Mary M. Lowdermilk, BS**, Boston College
- **Sabine Mainbourg, MD, PhD**, Research center of Sainte Justine University Hospital, University of Montréal
- **Haneesha Mohan, PhD**, University Health Network (UHN), Toronto General Research Institute
- **Sarah S. Park, PhD**, Center for Computational Toxicology and Exposure, US EPA
- **Maria D. Politis, PhD, MPH**, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- **Aditi Singh, MS**, Wayne State University
- **Nicole Smolinski, PharmD**, University of Florida
- **Eirini Tseligka, PhD**, Medicines for Malaria Venture (MMV)
- **Yanning Wang, MS**, University of Florida

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