

Nomination deadline: Monday, April 15, 2024, 11:59 PM Eastern Time

Program Information and Scoring Criteria

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Jenesis Trailblazer Awards™ recognize two exceptional US- or Canada-based female researchers or clinicians who have completed innovative research in the fields of pulmonary hypertension (PH), idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), or lung transplantation. Up to two non-monetary awards will be issued annually.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The program will provide recognition to two female researchers or clinicians annually – one for the Jenesis Trailblazer Award™ and one for the Jenesis Emerging Trailblazer Award™ which recognizes an early-to-mid career researcher or clinician for innovative contributions to PH, IPF, or lung transplantation. Recipients of these awards will be selected by an independent Scientific Review Committee (SRC), comprised of leaders in the fields of PH, IPF, or lung transplantation. The SRC will review all submitted complete nominations. Announcement of award recipients will be made at an awards dinner hosted by the SRC and senior representatives of United Therapeutics.

Please refer to the Eligibility for Nomination section below to review the criteria nominees must meet to be considered for an award.

SCIENTIFIC FOCUS

The program aims to acknowledge and celebrate the development of female leaders in the fields of PH, IPF, or lung transplantation and feed the talent pipeline by recognizing women at critical points in their careers.

SCIENTIFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (SRC)

Nominations will be assessed by an independent SRC comprised of leaders in the fields of PH, IPF, or lung transplantation. Scientific merit, originality, feasibility, and potential impact in the fields of PH, IPF, or lung transplantation will be considered.

Chair:

Mardi Gombert-Maitland, MD, MSc

Professor of Medicine

Director of the Pulmonary Hypertension Program

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Professor of Medicine

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Director, Center for Pulmonary Vascular Biology and Medicine

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Division of Allergy, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine
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The Jack B. Lally Endowed Chair in Thoracic Surgery
Director, Lung and Heart-Lung Transplant Program
Director, Ex Vivo Lung Perfusion Program
Surgical Director, Respiratory ECMO Program
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Lana Melendres-Groves, MD

Assistant Dean, Faculty Affairs and Professional Development
Vice Chair of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Department of Internal Medicine
Professor
PAH Medical Director
Clinical Trial Unit Medical Director
University of New Mexico School of Medicine
Albuquerque, NM

Imre Noth, MD

Dudley F. Rochester Professor of Medicine
Chief, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine
University of Virginia
Charlottesville, VA

- Hold a PhD degree or equivalent, or a doctoral-level clinical degree, such as MD, DO, or PharmD
- Be a US or Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or hold a valid nonimmigrant visa
- Be responsible for providing exceptional patient care or contributing innovative research to the fields of PH, IPF, or lung transplantation

Jenesis Emerging Trailblazer Awards™

At the time of nomination submission, nominees must meet the following requirements:

- Hold a title of no higher rank than Assistant Professor. Fellows and instructors are eligible
- Hold a PhD degree or equivalent, or a doctoral-level clinical degree, such as MD, DO, or PharmD
- Be a US or Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or hold a valid nonimmigrant visa
- Be responsible for providing exceptional patient care or contributing innovative research to the fields of PH, IPF, or lung transplantation

NOMINEE REVIEW CRITERIA

Nominees are evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Exhibited scientific/technical/clinical expertise
- Novelty/innovation of the research
- Potential impact and application of the research or ability to address unmet medical needs
- Impact the nominee may have had on the careers of other researchers or proteges

PROGRAM TIMELINE

- Deadline for Nomination:** Monday, April 15, 2024, 11:59 PM, Eastern Time
- Awardee Notification:** Monday, August 12, 2024 (estimated)
- Jenesis Awards Dinner** CHEST 2024 (October 6-9, 2024) Exact Date TBD

INQUIRIES/CONTACT INFORMATION

For general inquiries, please call or email:

- Attn: Jenesis Trailblazer Awards Coordinator
- Tel: 516-287-5015
- Email: utjenesisawards@j-jhealth.com

ELIGIBILITY FOR NOMINATION

THESE AWARDS ARE INTENDED FOR FEMALE RESEARCHERS OR CLINICIANS WORKING IN THE FIELDS OF PH, IPF, OR LUNG TRANSPLANTATION.

Jenesis Trailblazer Awards™

At the time of nomination submission, nominees must meet the following requirements:

- Hold the title of either Associate Professor or Professor

**PREVIOUS JENESIS TRAILBLAZER AWARD™
RECIPIENTS**

2023

Teresa De Marco, MD, FACC, FHFA

Professor of Medicine
R.H. and Jane G. Logan Endowed Chair in Cardiology
Founder of UCSF Adult PH Comprehensive Care Center
Medical Director of Heart Transplantation
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

2022

Erika Berman Rosenzweig, MD

Director, Adult and Pediatric Pulmonary Hypertension
Comprehensive Care Center and CTEPH Program
Director, PPHNet
Vice Chair for Clinical and Translational Research,
Department of Pediatrics
Professor of Pediatrics (in Medicine)
Columbia University Irving Medical Center – New York
Presbyterian
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**EMERGING JENESIS TRAILBLAZER AWARD™
RECIPIENTS**

2023

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Associate Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics
UT Southwestern
Dallas, TX

Ke Yuan, MD

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Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School
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