

Surviving & Thriving During the Research Years

Wednesday August 19, 2026

Location: Brotman Auditorium, South Lake Union Campus
850 Republican St.

Co-Directors

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- 7:45 am **Arrival & light breakfast**
- 8:00 am **Course introduction**
Nisha Bansal MD MAS and Pavan Bhatraju MD, MSc
- 8:15-8:45 am **Welcome from the Chair and Vice Chair**
Tisha Wang, MD
Professor, Chair of Medicine
Associate Vice President of Clinical Transformation
Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine

W. Conrad Liles, MD, PhD
Professor, Vice Chair of Research
Division of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
- 8:45-9:15 am **Staying Well & Thriving in your Career**
Trish Kritek MD, EdM
Professor, Vice Dean for Faculty Affairs, School of Medicine
Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine
- 9:15-9:45 am **Why Choose a Career in Academic Medicine?**
Pavan Bhatraju, MD, MSc
Associate Professor, Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep
Medicine
- 9:45-10:15 am **Making the Most of Your Mentor: A Guide for Mentees**
Nisha Bansal, MD, MAS
Professor, Division of Nephrology
- BREAK** **10:15am-10:30am**
- 10:30-11 am **Writing a Manuscript**
Anna Wald, MD, MPH
Division Head and Professor, Division of Allergy & Infectious Diseases
- 11-11:30 am **Behind the scenes of peer review: what happens when you submit a
paper to a journal?**
Stephan D. Fihn, MD, MPH
Associate Editor JAMA Network Open
Professor, General Internal Medicine

11:30-12 pm	Practical Tips for using AI in Research Robert Lee MD, MS Assistant Professor, Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine
12-1pm	Lunch
1-1:30pm	Grants 101 Part I: Training & Career Development Awards Ellen Schur, MD, MS Professor, Division of General Internal Medicine
1:30-2pm	Grants 101 Part II: NIH Structure & Behind the Scenes at a Study Section Ian de Boer, MD Professor, Division of Nephrology
2-2:30pm	Interactive Mock Study Section Ian de Boer, Ellen Schur, Pavan Bhatraju, Nisha Bansal
2:30-3:15pm	K-awardee panel- navigating the transition from trainee to faculty Elly Bhatraju, MD MPH (General Internal Medicine) John Bui, MD (Allergy and Infectious Disease) Simon Hsu, MD (Nephrology) Megan Capozzi, PhD (Metabolism, Endocrinology and Nutrition)
3:15-3:30pm	Course Wrap-Up, Evaluations