

# CFRI'S 38TH NATIONAL CF EDUCATION CONFERENCE

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**JULY 25 - 27, 2025**  
**VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON**



## Conference Schedule - Draft

All times listed in Pacific Times. Presentation times may vary slightly.

### Friday, July 25

3:00 pm	<b>Registration Opens</b>
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Support Groups</b>
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm	<b>Reception and Welcome at the Airstream!</b>
7:00 pm – 7:45pm	<b>Katrine Whiteson, PhD</b> – University of California Irvine <i>Phages in Progress: Exploring Synergy, Resistance, and Therapeutic Potential</i>
7:45 pm – 8:30 pm	<b>Jaelyn Cooper, MHS</b> - <i>Inspirational Presentation (Title TBD)</i>

### Saturday, July 26

*Concurrent Sessions: Those listed in purple denote CFRI-funded research presentations.*

8:00 am – 8:30 am	<b>Breakfast</b>
8:45 am – 9:00 am	<b>Welcome / Opening Remarks / Introduction of Emcee</b> Siri Vaeth, MSW, CFRI Executive Director
9:00 am – 9:45 am	<b>Nicole Tovar, PT, DPT</b> - Endurance PT <i>The Role of Physical Therapy in CF</i> • <b>Nadia Ameen, MD</b> - Yale University School of Medicine <i>Elucidating the Ion Transport Functions of CFTR High Expresser Cells (CHEs) and Its Relevance to Intestinal Disease in CF</i>
9:55 am – 10:40 am	<b>Ahmet Uluer, DO, MPH</b> - Harvard Medical School/ Brigham & Women's Hospital <i>Aging with CF</i> • <b>Benjamin Chan, PhD; Kaitlyn Kortright, PhD</b> – Yale University School of Medicine <i>Optimization of Phage Therapy to Reduce Pseudomonas-Induced Inflammation in CF</i>
10:55 am – 11:40 am	<b>Raksha Jain, MD</b> - University of Texas Southwestern <i>Reproductive Health in People with CF</i> • <b>Steven Jonas, MD, PhD; Ruby Sims, PhD</b> - University of California Los Angeles <i>Designing a CF Gene Therapy Nanocarrier Platform to Target and Modify Airway Stem Cell-Derived Ionocytes</i>
11:50 am – 12:35 pm	<b>Steven Freedman, MD, PhD</b> - Beth Israel Deaconess Med Center / Harvard Med School <i>Cancer and CF</i> • <b>Feng Yuan, PhD</b> - University of Alabama at Birmingham <i>Characterization of Ionocyte Subtypes in Cystic Fibrosis Ferrets</i>

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## Saturday, July 26 (continued)

12:35 pm – 1:35 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:45 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Gregory Ratti, MD</b> - University of Texas Southwestern <i>Emerging Cardiovascular and Metabolic Risk Factors in the Era of Highly Effective CFTR Modulators</i> • <b>Anais Amaya, PhD; Matthew Porteus, MD, PhD</b> - Stanford University <i>A Hybrid Gene Correction Strategy for Cystic Fibrosis</i>
2:40 pm – 3:25 pm	<b>Meghan McGarry, MD, MAS</b> - University of Washington Seattle <i>Living to Dream or Fighting to Breathe? Why Cystic Fibrosis Isn't Equal for All</i> • <b>Ron Kopito, PhD; Celeste Riepe, PhD</b> - Stanford University <i>Corrected CFTR-F508del is Targeted for Endolysosomal Degradation</i>
3:40 pm – 4:25 pm	<b>TBA</b> <i>Nucleic Acid Based Approaches to Treat CF</i> • <b>Daria Van Tyne, PhD</b> – University of Pittsburgh <i>Optimization of Activity and Improved Delivery of Bacteriophages Targeting Burkholderia spp</i>
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	<b>Innovations and Libations Reception</b>
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	<b>CFRI Awards Celebration &amp; Dinner with Special Guests</b>
8:00 pm – 9:30 pm	<b>Dance Party with DJ</b>

## Sunday, July 27

8:15 am – 9:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b>
9:15 am – 9:30 am	<b>Welcome</b> – Siri Vaeth, MSW, CFRI Executive Director
9:30 am – 10:30 am	<b>Community Discussion</b> with Panel (Gail Wright, Hema Patel, Jacob Fraker) - <i>Mental Health Challenges in the CF Family; Moderated by Deb Menet, LCSW</i> - Stanford CF Center
10:30 am – 11:00 am	<b>Break</b> - Room Check-Out
11:00 am – 12:10 pm	<b>Dylan Mortimer, MFA</b> - <i>Guts, Glitter, Glory</i> <i>Presentation, Followed by Interactive Art Workshop</i>
12:10 pm – 12:15 pm	<b>Closing Remarks</b> – Siri Vaeth, MSW
12:15 pm	<b>Conference Ends</b>