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## The Parker B. Francis Fellowships In Pulmonary Research

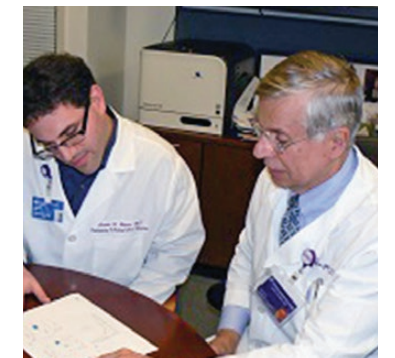
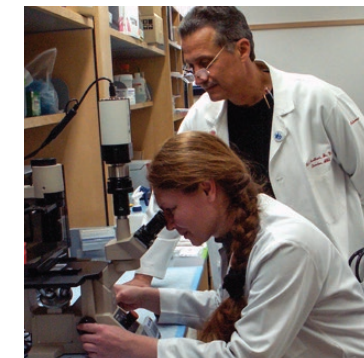
The goal of the Parker B. Francis Fellowship Program of the Francis Family Foundation is to exert a favorable and lasting influence on the field of pulmonary medicine by providing the means to support promising young physicians and scientists for a period of training in research. Since 1976, the Parker B. Francis Fellowship Program has provided more than \$68 million in support of career development for more than 880 M.D. and Ph.D. scientists embarking on careers in clinical, laboratory or translational science in Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. The PBF Fellowship provides important support at a key transition point in the careers of new scientists who will benefit patients with lung diseases through innovative research.

In 2020, Fellows will receive \$225,000 over three years to support research with experienced mentors in many diverse areas of research related to lung biology, critical illness and control of breathing. Past PBF Fellows have become international leaders in all aspects of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine.



*Additional program information on PBF Fellows productivity and career data:*  
Martin TR, et al. Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2012;185:479-485  
<http://www.francisfellowships.org/images/1-PBF%20AJRCCM%20Paper-3%2012.pdf>

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“The PBF fellowship was critical to my career development, offering protective time to explore new collaborations and funding opportunities while also bolstering my publication record, which made me a more attractive grant applicant.”

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*Awarded to former PBF Fellows who are internationally recognized for their outstanding contributions to scientific research and teaching*

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