

AACAP PILOT RESEARCH AWARD FOR EARLY CAREER FACULTY AND CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY FELLOWS, SUPPORTED BY AACAP AND THE KLINGENSTEIN THIRD GENERATION FOUNDATION

Year	Award Recipient	Mentor(s)	Institution	Project Title
2025	Debha N. Amatya, MD	Carrie Bearden, MD	University of California Los Angeles	Predicting Trajectories in Prodromal Psychosis with Speech and Neuroimaging Data
2025	Elizabeth Flook, MD	Theodore Satterthwaite, MD	Hospital of University of Pennsylvania	Normative Development of Insula-Cortical Functional Connectivity in Youth
2025	Amira O. Collison, MD	Sheryl H. Katoaka, MD	University of California Los Angeles	Addressing Mental Health Literacy in BIPOC Youth Living in Under-Resourced Communities: A Peer-to-Peer High School Intervention
2025	Yezhe Lin, MD	Jack Turban, MD	University of California San Francisco	Time-Sensitive Research on the Mental Health of Children and Adolescents with Gender Dysphoria in the United States in 2025
2025	Musa Yilanli, MD	Eric Nelson, MD	Ohio state University Wexner Medical Center	Exploring Brain Glymphatic System and Blood-Based Markers in First-Episode Psychosis
2024	Timothy D. Becker, MD	Doron Amsalem, MD	NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital	Addressing parental self-stigma toward common youth mental health problems via an RCT of brief social contact video interventions informed by qualitative research.
2024	Jihoon Kim, MD, MSc	Conor M. Liston, MD, PhD	Weill Cornell Medicine	Identifying Neurophysiological Subtypes of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder in Children and Adolescents using Resting-State Functional Connectivity Biomarkers
2024	Aneta Krakowski, MD, MSc	Jacob Vorstman, MD	Hospital for Sick Children	Impact of Neurofibromatosis on Behaviour and Cognition
2024	Christy Ky, MD	Andrea Spencer, MD	Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago	Incorporating Racial and Ethnic Socialization into Evidence-Based Treatment for Internalizing Disorders

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2024	Sarah J. Palmer, MD	Elizabeth Peacock-Chambers, MD	University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School	Early Intervention: Understanding Attachment and Attrition
2023	Tanner Bommersbach, MD, MPH	Osama Abulseoud, MD	Mayo Clinic	Does psychosocial treatment of disruptive behavior problems in young children reduce future substance use? Examination of a large birth cohort
2023	Sherab Tsheringla, MD	James C. McPartland, PhD	Yale University	Developing biomarkers for the neuromodulation of rumination in depressed autistic youth

2023	Cecilia Westbrook, MD, PhD	Cecile Ladouceur, PhD	University of Pittsburgh	Adaptation of an fMRI Perseverative Thought Disengagement Task
2023	Josh Wortzel, MD	Nicole R. Nugent, PhD	Brown University	Climate Distress in Psychiatrically Hospitalized Adolescents
2023	Bryan Yoon, MD	Moriah E. Thomason, PhD	New York University	Examination of the association between brain iron and externalizing and internalizing symptomology in youth
2022	Amanda Downey, MD	Erin C. Accurso, PhD	University of California San Francisco	Medicaid-Insured Youth With Eating Disorders: Health Disparities And Service Utilization
2022	Stefanie Gillson, MD	Melissa Walls, PhD	Yale University	Cultural Connectedness and Mental Health Trajectories in Indigenous Youth Displaced from Home
2022	Madeline Jansen, MD, MPH	Sheryl Kataoka, MD, MSHS, & Helena Hansen, MD, PhD	Washington University in St. Louis	An Investigation of Multiracial Identity Development and Mental Health
2022	Justin B. Steinfeld, MD, PhD	Jonathan A. Javitch, MD, PhD	NewYork-Presbyterian/ Columbia & Cornell University	New Potential Pharmacological Targets for Childhood Psychiatric Disorders Through Differential Modulation of Glutamate Receptors

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2022	Halide B. Turkozer, MD	Ongur Dost, MD, PhD	Massachusetts General Hospital	Structure of Visual Cortex Subregions in Youth at Clinical High Risk for Psychosis
2021	Ankit Chalia, MD	Christopher Hammond, MD, PhD, & Cynthia Fontanella, PhD	Children's National Hospital	Examine The Impact Of Cannabis Use Disorders On Risk Of Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization And 90-day Rehospitalization Related To Suicidal Thoughts And Behaviors Among U.S. Adolescent And Young Adults With Mood Disorders
2021	Alissa D. Hemke, MD	Brent R. Collett, PhD, & Cindy Ola, PhD	University of Washington	Extending Evidence-Based Treatments in Rural Communities
2021	Amandeep Jutla, MD	Jeremy Veenstra-VanderWeele, MD, & Wendy K. Chung, MD, PhD	Columbia University	Harnessing Insights From a Rare Genetic Variant to Understand Psychosis in Autism

2021	Jelena G. MacLeod, MD, MHS	Andrea G. Asnes, MD, MSW, & Pamela E. Hoffman, MD	Yale School of Medicine	Harnessing Electronic Medical Record Data to Examine the Association Between Adverse Childhood Experiences, Medical Morbidity, and Healthcare Utilization
2021	Sara VanBronkhorst, MD, MPH	Cristiane Duarte, PhD, MPH	Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene	Mother-Child Interactions and Oxytocin: A Pilot Study of Mothers, their Toddlers and Intergenerational Transmission of Childhood Adversities
2020	Shinn-yi Chou, MD	Robert Sweet, MD	University of Pittsburgh Medical Center	Cell-type Specific Alterations in Type 1 Cannabinoid Receptors in Patients With Schizophrenia
2020	Jacqueline Alexandra Clauss, MD, PhD	Daphne Holt, MD, PhD	Massachusetts General Hospital	Development of a Transdiagnostic, Resilience-Focused Intervention for At-Risk Adolescents
2020	Gaby J. Ritfeld, MD, PhD	Claire D. Coles, PhD, & Julie A. Kable, PhD	Emory University School of Medicine	Neurobehavioral and Physical Health Outcomes in Offspring of Individuals with Fetal Alcohol

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				Spectrum Disorders
2020	Kunmi Sobowale, MD	Nelson Freimer, MD	University of California Los Angeles Semel Institute	Digital Phenotyping of the Mother-Child Interaction in the Context of Postpartum Depression: A Feasibility Study
2020	Emily A. Troyer, M.D	Suzi Hong, PhD, & David R. Rosenberg, MD	University of California, San Diego	Decreased Immunoglobulin G is Associated With Pediatric-Onset OCD
2019	Chuan Mei Lee, MD, MA	Christina Mangurian, MD, MAS, & Petra Steinbuechel, MD	University of California, San Francisco	Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Mental Health Care in Pediatric Primary Care Settings: A Focus Group Analysis
2019	Aneta Krakowski, MSc, MD	Peter Szatmari, MD	University of Toronto	Identifying Neurodevelopmental Domain Subgroups in ASD and ADHD
2019	Petya Radoeva, MD	Daniel Dickstein, MD	Bradley Hospital	Pilot Study: White Matter Microstructural Correlates of Depressive Symptoms in Children and Adolescents with ASD
2019	Emily Wood, MD, PhD	Mirella Dapretto, PhD, & Shulamite Green, PhD	University of California, Los Angeles	Behavioral and Neural Mechanisms of Trauma Symptomatology in youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder
2019	Eunice Yuen, MD, PhD	Flora M. Vaccarino, MD	Yale University	Biological Action of Ketamine in Developing Neurons: Hope in Treating Maternal Depression to Reduce Children Mood Disorders
2018	Obianuju Obi Berry, MD, MPH	Catherine Monk, PhD	Columbia University	Addressing the Mental Health Needs of Parent Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence: Impact on Parent-Child Dyadic Relationship
2018	Isha Jalnapurkar, MD	Jean Frazier, MD	University of Massachusetts	Biological and Psychosocial Correlates of Social Cognition in Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

2017	Aaron D.	James	UCLA Semel	Deep Phenotyping of Children With
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	Besterman, MD	McCracken, MD	Institute of Neuroscience and Human Behavior	ASD, Macrocephaly, and Phosphatidylinositol 3-Kinase/Protein Kinase B/Mammalian Target of Rapamycin (PI3K/AKT/mTOR) Pathway Mutations: Preliminary Findings
2017	Christina Cruz, MD, EdM	Bradley, N. Gaynes, MD, MPH	University of North Carolina	Teachers Identifying Children's Mental Illness in a Task-Shifting Intervention in India
2017	Manivel Rengasamy, MD	Lisa Pan, MD	Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic	Plasma Cytokines in Adolescents Receiving Psychotherapy
2017	Pravesh Sharma, MD	Michelle Horner, DO	Johns Hopkins Bloomberg Children's Center	Preadolescent Risk Factors in the Relationship Between Adolescent Cannabis Use and Psychotic Symptoms
2017	Amalia Londono Tobon, MD	Linda Mayes, MD, and Arietta Slade, PhD	Yale University	Lasting Effects of Minding the Baby® Home Visiting Program for Young Families
2016	Anthony Deo, MD, PhD	Ragy Grigis, MD, & David Kimhy, PhD	Columbia University	Pro Brain-Derived Neurotrophic Factor (BDNF) and Cognition in Individuals at Clinical High-Risk for Psychosis
2016	Kelli C. Dominick, MD, PhD	Craig Erickson, MD	Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center	A Pilot Neuroimaging Project Examining Functional Connectivity in Infants and Young Children With Fragile X Syndrome and High-Risk Siblings of Individuals With ASD
2016	Pilar Trelles, MD	Alexander Kolevzon, MD	Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai	Characterizing Attention Deficit in Children With ASD
2016	Danielle Baribeau, MD	Evdokia Anagnostou, MD	University of Toronto	The Structural Neuroimaging Correlates of Social Abilities are Similar in ASD and ADHD
2016	Jerome Taylor, MD	Michael H. Bloch, MD, MS	Yale Child Study Center	Time Until Clinical Improvement in the Treatment of Early-Onset Schizophrenia Spectrum Disorders Study (TEOSS)
2015	Mirjana Domakonda,	Rachel Marsh, PhD	NYP Hospital of Columbia and	Attentional Bias to Food Cues and Frontostriatal Circuit Function in

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	MD		Cornell Universities	Adolescents with Bulimia Nervosa
2015	Rebecca Muhle, MD, PhD	Craig Erickson, MD	Yale University	Mapping Regulatory Networks of Autism Risk at Cellular Resolution During Neurodevelopment
2015	Carrie Vaudreuil, MD	Dina Hirshfeld-Becker, PhD	Massachusetts General Hospital	RAGE-Control: Teaching Emotional Self-regulation Through Videogame Play
2014	Stephanie Ameis, MD, MSc	Peter Szatmari, MD, MSc	The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, University of Toronto	rTMS for Executive Function Impairment in Autism Spectrum Disorder: Preliminary Feasibility and Baseline Neuroimaging Findings
2014	Matthew Burkey, MD, MPH	Lawrence S. Wissow, MD, MPH	Johns Hopkins University	Validation of an Instrument Developed Using Local Stakeholder Participation: The Disruptive Behavior International Scale—Nepal Version (DBIS-N)