

RSA News

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T.H. CHAN
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Research Scientist Association

Council Info:

To our fellow Harvard Chan Research Scientists,

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the inaugural edition of your Harvard Chan Research Scientist Association Newsletter!

As our organization continues to grow, we are very pleased that we are now able to share this resource with our community. The Research Scientist Association Council (RSA) has established this publication to serve as a nexus where interesting articles featuring information important to research scientists, news about our colleagues, and a bit of entertaining intelligence will intersect.

Though not at all planned, we do hope that the coincidental launch of this resource will also help us all stay connected and feel supported as we work on social distancing to help reduce the risks and impact of COVID-19.

Now and in future, your input and feedback will be crucial to the success of this endeavor, so we encourage you to share your ideas and news with our editors (Heike Gibson: hgibson@hsph.harvard.edu and Sandy Munger: kgorham@hsph.harvard.edu). We hope that you will find this newsletter to be both engaging and useful, and that it will strengthen a sense of community and identity among us. Enjoy! And wash your hands!

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(RSA Council Co-chairs)

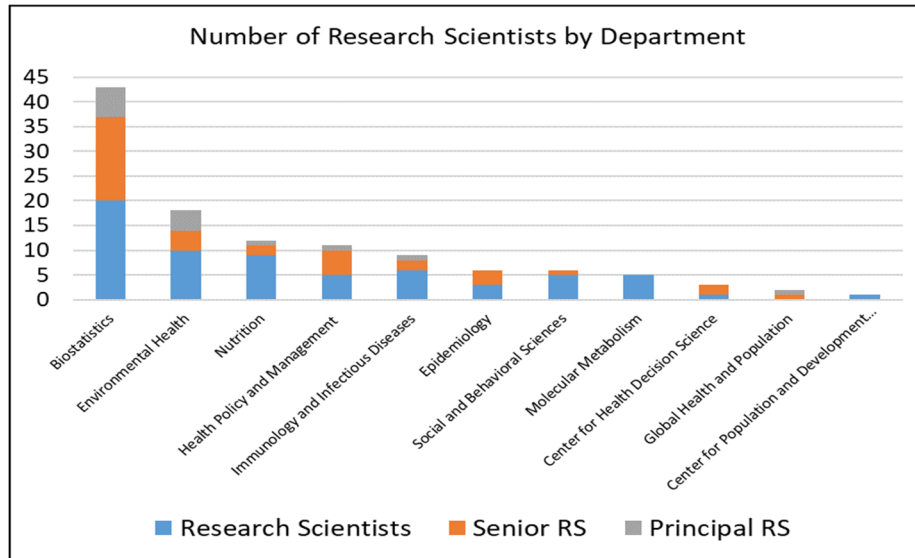
RSA Mission Statement

The purpose of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Research Scientist Association (Harvard Chan Research Scientist Association/HCRSA) shall be comprised of three primary goals:

- 1. To advocate for Research Scientists at all levels within the School, including:**
 - To provide a collective voice for the issues that are relevant and of interest to Research Scientists at HSPH.
 - To provide a liaison between Research Scientists and the administration and faculty of HSPH.
- 2. To support Research Scientists in their professional development, including:**
 - To promote professional enrichment, development and training of Research Scientists at HSPH.
 - To provide for efficient dissemination of relevant information about such topics to all Research Scientists at HSPH.
- 3. To build community between Research Scientists, and between Research Scientists and others in the School.**
 - To establish a formal forum for Research Scientists to meet and discuss issues of importance to them at HSPH.
 - To promote social interaction and create an environment in which peer support is openly sought and available for Research Scientists.
 - To enhance the experience of Research Scientists and appreciate Research Scientists as an important part of the HSPH community.
 - To help new incoming Research Scientists integrate into the HSPH community.

Statistics:

Currently: 113 Research Scientists in 11 departments.



New RS appointments:

Eunyoung Chun, Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases (09/19)

Austin Frakt, Department of Health Policy and Management (09/19)

Maoyun Sun, Department of Environmental Health (09/19)

Dorota Weziak-Bialowolska, Department of Environmental Health (09/19)

Linda Vesel, Ariadne Labs (09/19)

Mesfin Bekalu, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences (11/19)

Jonathan Buonocore, Center for Climate, Health, and the Global Environment (11/19)

Michael Chao, Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases (11/19)

Terence Cheng, Department of Global Health and Population (11/19)

Leigh Graham, Ariadne Labs (11/19)

Promotions:

Nicole Gastineau Campos, to Senior Research Scientist, Center for Health Decision Science (11/19)

Andrea Roberts, to Senior Research Scientist, Department of Environmental Health: Environmental and Occupational Medicine and Epidemiology Program (11/19)

RSC Award Recipients FY2019-2020:

Non-Travel:

Eve Wittenberg, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Travel:

Emmilie Aveling, Health Policy and Management

Selina Bopp, Immunology and Infectious Diseases

Andrea Bellavia, Environmental Health

Claudia Trudel-Fitzgerald, Social and Behavioral Sciences

W. Robert Shaw, Immunology and Infectious Diseases

Dates to Know:

4/24 Due date for application materials for new RS appointments, re-appointments, promotions

5/12 RS review committee meeting to discuss applications for appointment, re-appointments, promotions

Upcoming Events to Watch For:

RSA Seminar Series

RSA open meeting