

# Yale SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

*Department of Pediatrics*

## 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL YALE PEDIATRIC RESEARCH FORUM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026

101 COLLEGE CONFERENCE CENTER

ROOMS 123 A&B

### Schedule of Events:

\*All events will be held in person in 101 College Conference Room 123 A & B, with the keynote speaker presenting via Zoom in Conference Room 123A.

<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Lunch</b> <i>Conference Room 123A</i>
<b>11:45-12:00PM</b>	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <i>Conference Room 123A</i>
<b>12:00-1:00 PM</b>	<b>Keynote Address</b> <i>*Conference Room 123A</i>  <b><i>Grover F. Powers, MD Memorial Lectureship</i></b> <b>Paul Offit, MD</b> <b>Director of the Vaccine Education Center</b> <b>Children's Hospital of Philadelphia</b> <b>Maurice R. Hilleman Professor of Vaccinology</b> <b>and Professor of Pediatrics</b> <b>Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania</b> <b><i>"The War Against Vaccines"</i></b>
<b>1:00-1:15PM</b>	<b>Trainee Pilot Grant Awards</b> <i>Conference Room 123A</i>
<b>1:15-2:15 PM</b>	<b>Plenary Scientific Session-Oral Presentations</b> <i>Conference Room 123A</i>
<b>1:15-1:30 PM</b>	<b>Casey Benzaken (Resident) – Julia Ganem Presenting</b> Impact of Connecticut's Repeal of Religious Vaccine Exemptions on Kindergarten Immunization Coverage: A Quasi-Experimental Analysis
<b>1:30-1:45PM</b>	<b>Lin Li (Research)</b> The Klf15-Sox7-Robo4 Transcriptional Axis Restrains Adipocyte Progenitor Proliferation to Enable Healthy Adipose Tissue Expansion
<b>1:45-2:00 PM</b>	<b>Victoria Cueto (Student)</b> Evaluating Patients Perceptions of the Accuracy of Blood Pressure Measurement Methods
<b>2:00-2:15 PM</b>	<b>Jodi Forward (Fellow)</b> Targeting $\beta$ -Catenin Nuclear Export and Protein Degradation in Children with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
<b>2:15-4:30 PM</b>	<b>Scientific Poster Session and Reception</b> <i>Conference Room 123B</i>
<b>2:30-3:30 PM</b>	<b>Poster Walk</b>