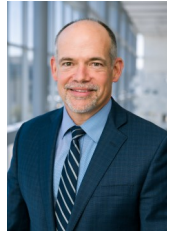




From the Desk of the Secretary-Treasurer

J. Walter Kutz Jr., MD



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Colin L. W. Driscoll, MD



Dear ANS colleagues,

I periodically glance back over my shoulder to reflect on what has transpired but mostly I want to focus on what is next, all the opportunities in our specialty.

I agree! We do have the greatest surgical subspecialty: adults and children, benign and malignant disease, life-altering implantable devices, surgical creativity, and still many intriguing unknowns. We can choose different types of careers, shift over time, and demand for our expertise remains high.

Many aspects of the practice today mirror decades ago. We still see patients in clinic, still take patients to the operating room, and still adopt new technologies and techniques. However, there are distinct and fundamental changes that have occurred. I am sure you have personally experienced this in your own practices or if early in career heard others talk about it.

At Mayo Clinic, I had the privilege to serve as Chair ENT and interim Chair of two other departments. My most important task was defining a realistic but “stretch” vision for 10 years out. That perspective is critical today. We are challenged by our CEO (a physician) to rethink how we deliver care, educate, conduct research, and manage administration—looking at possibilities instead of barriers. With tools like AI, large language models, and neural networks evolving at an incredible pace, we need to harness them to advance our specialty. I read this week that ChatGPT-5 is equivalent to speaking to a PhD level expert on a subject. Our challenge is to effectively utilize these tremendous advances.

Serving as ANS President has made me think about neurotology through a different lens. Is there a vision and strategic plan for neurotology? Who is responsible for the neurotology specialty vision? No one? All of us? The ANS? United Health? I have had many conversations with colleagues about changes in the field but few about where we hope to be in 10 years. Would we benefit from a collective plan, or should we leave it to the current organic process? A great place to begin this discussion is our upcoming Fab Friday meeting. An ideal forum to share ideas, challenge assumptions, and imagine what neurotology could and should look like in 10 years. Bring your perspectives—whether bold, cautious, or somewhere in between. Curious to know what you think.

This current AI transformational period will, in hindsight, likely be recognized as pivotal— perhaps even a Promethean moment, a fundamental shift in how things are done. Our active engagement is needed to maximize the good—for the specialty, ENT, ourselves, trainees and most importantly patients and their families. Help shape the future. This ride will be fantastic! I look forward to seeing everyone in the fall.

"The best interest of the patient is the only interest to be considered, and in order that the sick may have the benefit of advancing knowledge, union of forces is necessary". Dr. William J. Mayo

Look forward to connecting in Indianapolis at the JW Marriott on “Fab Friday”, October 10th.

Warm regards,
Colin

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"FAB FRIDAY" SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE**October 10th, 2025**

JW Marriott - Indianapolis
White River Ballroom Level

STUDY GROUP SESSIONS**7:00 AM - 8:00 AM****VESTIBULAR STUDY GROUP***Gerard Gianoli, MD & Brian Perry, MD – Coordinators***8:08 AM - 9:08 AM****FACIAL NERVE STUDY GROUP***Mia Miller, MD & Daniel Sun, MD – Coordinators***9:16 AM - 10:16 AM****SKULL BASE TUMOR STUDY GROUP***Matthew Carlson, MD & Courtney Voelker, MD, PhD – Coordinators***10:24 AM - 11:54 AM****WILLIAM HOUSE STUDY GROUP***Maura Cosetti, MD & Marc Bennet, MD – Coordinators***A BOX LUNCH & BEVERAGE BREAKS PROVIDED TO ALL REGISTERED ATTENDEES****SCIENTIFIC SESSION****12:45 PM - 1:00 PM – ANS BUSINESS MEETING****1:00 PM - WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS***Colin L.W. Driscoll, MD– ANS President***1:07 PM - 1:37 PM – FRANKLIN M. RIZER MEMORIAL LECTURE**

From Manuscript to Machine: How AI and Large Language models are
Reshaping Scientific Publishing

*Lawrence R. Lustig, MD***1:39 PM - 2:34 PM – PANEL**

Under Pressure: What the Ear Reveals About Intracranial Hypertension

*Gerard J. Gianoli, MD & Rick F. Nelson, MD, PhD, Co-Moderators***2:38PM - 2:48 PM – ANS RESEARCH GRANT PRESENTATION**

Characterizing the Translational Treatment Potential of Losartan after
Acoustic Trauma, *Douglas M. Bennion, MD, PhD (2024 grant recipient)*

2:50 PM - 3:20 PM – BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS**3:21 PM - 4:01 PM – PANEL**

The Scan Plan: Expert Consensus for Asymmetric Hearing Loss

*Richard K. Gurgel, MD, MSCI & Seth Schwartz, MD, MPH, Co-Moderators***4:03 PM - 4:58 PM – PANEL**

From Mastoid to Midline: Surgical Strategies for Complex Cholesteatoma
and Epidermoid Cysts

*Colin L.W. Driscoll, MD & Erika M. Walsh, MD, Co-Moderators***5:00 PM - 5:25 PM – SPECIAL VIDEO SESSION**

Master Techniques in Neurotology for Facial Nerve Management

Colin L. W. Driscoll, MD & Si Chen, MD, Co-Moderators

MANY THANKS TO OUR INDUSTRY SPONSORS!

We are excited to bring back the *tabletop* exhibit area for the third year in a row for our industry sponsors in Indianapolis. We have 10 companies participating this year including past exhibitors, 3NTMedical, Advanced Bionics, Akouos, Cochlear Americas, Grace Medical, IotaMotion, MED-EL, Oticon Medical, Medtronic; and welcome to our first time exhibitor, Everis Medical. Please be sure to visit the following "tables" conveniently located next to the ANS scientific session ballroom on the White River Ballroom level of the JW Marriott on Fab Friday!







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Registration is required for all attendees/speakers!

Registration includes access to all 4 study groups, the scientific program, a box lunch and beverage breaks throughout the day for just \$200! (*member rate*)
Please register early to assist us with our attendee badge deadline and food & beverage guarantees.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!

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On Wednesday, October 15, ALL REGISTERED ATTENDEES will receive an email from the ANS administrative office with detailed instructions on how to complete your required CME evaluation form and download a CME certificate of attendance for your records. **Attendees will have three weeks to complete their CME evaluation. There is no virtual offering for this meeting.** Certificates of Attendance will be provided in a pdf after completion of the online evaluation form required for the certifying organization. Only registered attendees are eligible for CME hours and MOC points. We will continue to record your attendance and report your hours to ACS. When completing the form, please be sure you have the correct ABOHNS and ACS ID numbers.

Registered means you have PAID THE ANS REGISTRATION FEE or have been approved to receive COMPLIMENTARY ANS REGISTRATION. This applies to members and nonmembers requesting CME credit and MOC points.

WHAT TO DO AFTER OUR FAB FRIDAY PROGRAM, YOU ASK?

87th ANNUAL OTOSCLEROSIS STUDY GROUP MEETING

(*OSG members only)

**5:30 PM | Friday, October 10th 2025 | Indianapolis IN.
Commission Row**

Many ANS members are also members of the Otosclerosis Study Group. The OSG meeting/banquet will take place at the renowned Commission Row Restaurant, located at 110 S Delaware Street beginning at 5:30 pm Friday evening, following the ANS's Fab Friday program. This year's OSG program will focus on "*The Evaluation and Management of Juvenile Otosclerosis and Congenital Middle Ear Malformations.*"

To facilitate registration and check-in, attendees will be able to pick up their OSG badge in the JW Marriott White River Ballroom foyer between 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM on Friday.

Information and an agenda for the event can be found here: [OSG Meeting - Indianapolis](#)

***OSG Membership is required to attend the meeting.** For those ANS members, who are not already members of the OSG, applications can be found using this link: <https://www.osgonline.org/join-us>

Again this year, OSG members will be sponsoring trainees in a neurotology fellowship program to attend the OSG meeting and banquet. If interested in attending or sponsoring, please contact Dr. [John McElveen](#).

ANS EARLY CAREER MEMBERS FALL SOCIAL EVENT

Date: Friday, October 10, 2025

Time: 5:30PM - 7:30PM / Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres

Venue: [Harry & Izzy's](#)

Address: 153 S. Illinois St. Indianapolis

RSVP HERE: <https://forms.office.com/e/4mnYb1SEcP>

Please contact [Nathan Cass](#) or [Phillip Perez](#), Co-Chairs, ANS Young members group, with questions

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ATTENDING THE AAO-HNSF CONFERENCE?

AAOHNS/F PRESIDENTS' RECEPTION

Date: Saturday, October 11, 2025

Location: Lucas Oil Stadium

Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

*Shuttle service will be available to all attendees staying at official AAO-HNSF hotels that are not in walking distance.
Most hotels are within walking distance and connected to the Convention Center by skywalk.*

Don't miss the [Howard P. House Memorial Lecture](#) for *Advances in Otology* presented by Dr. Larry Lustig.
"Cochlear Gene Therapy for Genetic Deafness"
Saturday, October 11 at 4PM

[Click here for a list of Otology/Neurotology AAO presentations](#)

ANS AWARDS THREE RESEARCH GRANTS!

The ANS offers a number of \$25,000 grants each year, to encourage and support academic research in sciences related to the investigation of Otology and Neurotology and prepare clinician-scientist to early career research awards. Grants are available to physician investigators in the United States and Canada only. *We particularly encourage those individuals without a history of K08, R03, R21, or R01 funding to apply.* The ANS Research Committee endorsed by the ANS Executive Council reviewed a record breaking 15 applications and selected three research grant recipients for funding cycle 2025-2026. (DI Grant - Funds based on project/budget / Up to \$10,000 per year).

Congratulations to the 2025 ANS Research Grant Award recipients

(in alphabetical order)



Ryan Anderson, MD was selected as a 2025 research grant recipient for his grant titled, "*Role of Endocochlear Potential in TMPRSS3 Cochlear Hair Cell Degeneration*". Ryan Anderson is currently a PGY3 otolaryngology resident at Indiana University. He earned his bachelor's degree in medical laboratory science at Weber State University and completed his medical training at University of Utah Medical School. Under the direction of Rick Nelson, MD, PhD, his research will investigate potassium's role in hair cell death in Tmprss3 mutant mice and explore whether pharmacologically reducing endocochlear potential offers therapeutic benefits. This study aims to elucidate TMPRSS3-related hearing loss mechanisms and identify potential treatment options. Outside of work, he enjoys spending time with his wife and his two daughters. Alexander Chern, MD was selected as a 2024 research grant recipient for his grant titled, "*Psychometric Validation of an Item Bank and Development of a Profile Instrument Assessing Music Enjoyment in Individuals with Hearing Loss.*" Dr. Chern is a neurotology fellow at Johns Hopkins University. He graduated from Yale College with a bachelor's degree in Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry and completed his medical training at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. He went on to complete his residency training in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at New York-Presbyterian Hospital (Columbia/Weill Cornell). His primary research interests include music perception, cochlear implantation, and the effects of hearing loss on the brain. When he is not working, he can be found cooking and eating with friends, playing the violin, and making coffee.



Aparna Govindan, MD was selected as a 2025 research grant recipient for her grant titled, "*Next-Generation Sequencing: A MicroRNA Profile of Cholesteatoma of the Middle Ear.*" Dr. Govindan is currently a neurotology fellow at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital. She graduated from an accelerated BA/MD program, earning her bachelor's degree in chemistry from Rutgers University and her medical degree from Rutgers New Jersey Medical School. She then completed her residency training in Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery at the Icahn School of Medical at Mount Sinai/New York Eye and Ear Infirmary. Her other research endeavors include clinical outcomes research in endoscopic otologic surgery and cochlear implantation. When she is not working, she can be found performing and teaching Bharatanatyam (Indian classical dance), hunting down the best gelato, or watching movies with family.



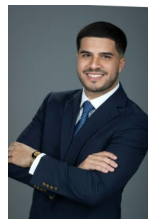
Joshua J. Sturm, MD, PhD was selected as a 2025 research grant recipient for his grant titled, "*Defining Central Auditory Biomarkers of Tinnitus Perception and Distress.*" Dr. Sturm is a surgeon scientist and Assistant Professor of Otorhinolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery in the Division of Otology and Neurotology at Montefiore Einstein in the Bronx, NY. Dr. Sturm earned his AB degree in Biochemistry and Cognitive Science at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, NY. He pursued his MD-PhD training at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in Pittsburgh, PA, where he completed his dissertation work studying the effects of noise-induced hearing loss on synaptic connectivity in the auditory midbrain of a rodent behavioral model of tinnitus. He then completed his residency training in Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery at New York Presbyterian Hospital- Columbia and Weill Cornell Campuses in New York, NY, followed by a fellowship in Neurotology at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) in Charleston, SC. Dr. Sturm's research is focused on using scalp-recorded event-related brain potentials (ERPs) to characterize electrophysiological biomarkers of central auditory perceptual processing in patients with hearing loss and tinnitus. He will be working with Dr. Elyse Sussman, PhD, who leads the Human Brain and Cognition Lab at the Albert Einstein School of Medicine. Outside of work, Dr. Sturm enjoys cooking with friends, composing music and spending time with his wife, Camilla, and their adorable Pitbull, Lyra.

ANS UNDER-REPRESENTED IN MEDICINE TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP

The Diversity and Inclusion Committee of the American Neurotology Society awarded two scholarships for the ANS Under-Represented in Medicine (URiM) Travel Scholarship program in 2025/2026. Recipients receive \$2000 toward travel expenses and are matched with mentors at their external rotation sites. If you would like to serve as a mentor, please contact Dr. Michael Hoa. This year's recipients are: Adriana Báez Berríos and Eric Perez. [CLICK HERE](#) TO READ BRIEF BIOS. Please join us in celebrating these students and their mentors. The DI Committee looks forward to continued engagement with our members to reduce barriers and increase opportunities for the best and brightest in all of medicine.



Adriana Báez Berríos is a fourth-year medical student at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in NYC. Adriana will receive mentorship from Dr. Simon Angeli at the University of Miami and Dr. Esther Vivas at Emory University.



Eric Perez is a fourth-year medical student at the University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine. He is set to receive mentorship from Dr. Daniel Roberts at the University of Connecticut as part of this travel grant opportunity.

The ANS D/I committee is excited to host the **2nd ANNUAL COOL-OTO EVENT** in Indianapolis. Would you like to volunteer for the COOL-OTO event on Monday, October 13, 2025? [Click here](#) for a glimpse of last year's COOL-OTO event in Miami. Please contact [Michael Hoa](#) or [Angela Peng](#) for details.

**Community Outreach Opportunities for Learning
Otology and Otolaryngology (COOL-OTO)**

When: Monday October 13, 2025
Where: Area 31 Career Center, Indianapolis, Indiana

For more information:
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Event supported by: 3NT, Grace Medical, Stryker, Athoscare, Cochlear Corp., Med-EL, Advanced Bionics, and AustinENT

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL NEUROTOLOGY BOOTCAMP!

The 8th annual ANS Neurotology Fellows Bootcamp took place March 27-28 in Salt Lake City, Utah, continuing a valuable tradition established in 2018. This intensive course prepares incoming neurotology fellows for a successful start to their fellowship through hands-on training, concentrated instruction, and individualized mentorship from early-career ANS members. This year's bootcamp included on-demand lectures, insightful panel discussions, challenging case studies, and extensive cadaver dissection—supported by excellent specimens and full selection of surgical tools. Twenty-one fellows from around the country spent a weekend enhancing their skills and building life-long connections.

We extend our gratitude to our generous sponsors: Stryker, Cochlear Americas, Med-EL, Advanced Bionics, Grace Medical, and IotaMotion. Special thanks are also due to Course Directors Dr. Si Chen (University of Florida) and Dr. Divya Chari (University of Massachusetts), as well as our guest faculty: Dr. Neil Patel (University of Utah), Dr. Mallory Raymond (Mayo Clinic Rochester), Dr. Karl Doerfer (Medical College of Wisconsin), Dr. Matthew Shew (Washington University), Dr. Nathan Cass (University of Kentucky), and Dr. Erika Walsh (University of Alabama).



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Four years ago, we established the ANS Committee application process, and each Spring, we invite applications for committee positions. So far, we have received 163 applications and successfully placed over 90% of those who completed the process. We appreciate your interest in serving the American Neurology Society through our Standing Committees and other offerings. Currently, all Committee vacancies are filled, and each Committee has an appointed Chair. If you were not selected this year or submitted your application after the vacancies were filled, we will keep your application on file for next year.

The commitment of our members is essential for maintaining a strong and vibrant Society, and your dedication has truly stood out. Being an active member of an ANS Standing Committee demonstrates leadership and promotes growth within the Society. Below, you will find the roster for each Committee.

We extend our gratitude to all the Chairs, newly appointed members, and those currently serving their three-year terms. A special thank you goes to those who have completed their assignments and are contributing to the Society in other ways.

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ANS 2025 SPRING MEETING/MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN NEW ORLEANS!

ANS President Dr. Tom Roland honors 4 individuals with a presidential citation and presides over the fantastic scientific program, before he passes the gavel to Dr. Colin Driscoll.

Dr. Susan Waltzman receives the Noel L. Cohen, M.D. Award for Significant Contributions to Otology and Neurotology; ANS welcomes 17 new members; ANS honors 6 podium presenters and 3 poster presenters with a cash award.

The ANS President's Reception and the WiN Reception were well attended and enjoyed by all!



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6th ANNUAL NOEL L. COHEN AWARDEE NAMED CONGRATULATIONS! Susan B. Waltzman, PhD

Susan Waltzman, PhD is the Marica F. Vilcek Professor of Otolaryngology and Vice Chair, Faculty Development and Academic Affairs in the Department of Otolaryngology at NYU Grossman School of Medicine and is the co-founder of the NYU Cochlear Implant Center.

Her research is focused on two main areas: outcomes with cochlear and brainstem implants and isolating the variables which affect performance including the impact of new technology on outcomes in children, adolescents, older adults and special populations. The most current research at the Cochlear Implant Center focuses on the treatment of those with single-sided deafness, residual hearing, the aging population and children with compromised auditory nerves.

She has been the PI on numerous device-related clinical trials over the past 20 years, the most current trial being the use of auditory brainstem implants in children with compromised auditory nerves. Dr. Waltzman is the author of more than 130 peer-reviewed articles, numerous book chapters and a resource textbook with Dr. J. Thomas Roland titled Cochlear Implants. She has also been invited as a Visiting Professor at many institutions world-wide and is a frequent contributor and invited speaker at national and international conferences.

FORBES 50 OVER 50



Founder & CEO, Alume Biosciences

Dr. Quyen Nguyen collaborated with the late Nobel Laureate Roger Tsien to develop a method of illuminating a patient's nerves during surgery to better protect them from being inadvertently cut. The drug, *Bevonescein*, is now in clinical trials.

An MD/PhD who is also a professor at the University of California, San Diego, Nguyen treats and operates on patients with facial nerve disorders and diseases of the ear and skull base. Alume has raised more than \$30 million to support the clinical development of *Bevonescein*.

Dr. Nguyen is a member of the American Neurotology Society and the American Otological Society.

The Forbes' 50 Over 50 List 2025 highlights women who are thriving in their 50s, 60s, 70s and beyond.

IN LOVING Memory

The following ANS / AOS members have passed since the last Spring meeting. May they rest in peace.

Jack M. Kartush, MD

ANS member since 1985

Thomas J. Balkany, MD

ANS member since 1982

AOS 1991

Joseph B. Nadol Jr., MD

ANS member since 1983

AOS 1988

AMERICAN NEUROTOLOGY SOCIETY 61st ANNUAL SPRING MEETING
CALL FOR PAPERS & AWARDS AVAILABLE

ANS CALL FOR PAPERS

**The 61st Annual Spring Meeting
of the
American Neurotology Society**

Sheraton Phoenix Hotel / Phoenix Convention Center
Phoenix, AZ
APRIL 24-26, 2026
in conjunction with COSM

Abstract Submission Deadline

September 1 - October 22, 2025 (11:59 P.M. P.T.)

Please visit the ANS website for detailed instructions after September 1st.

MANY CASH AWARDS AVAILABLE!

NEUROTOLOGY FELLOWSHIP AWARD (\$1000) - The Neurotology Fellow Award was established by the ANS in 1996 to reward scientific excellence. Applicants must be full-time participants in an ACGME approved Neurotology Fellowship.

TRAINEE AWARD (\$1000) - ANS offers up to two Trainee awards for the best clinical and basic science paper in Neurotology submitted by a Resident or Fellow in training in the field of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery. Residents from any approved residency program or Fellows in Neurotology in the United States or Canada are eligible to compete.

NICHOLAS TOROK VESTIBULAR AWARD (\$1500) - established under the American Neurotology Society (ANS), is presented annually at the Society's Scientific Spring Meeting as part of a yearly lecture series. The subject should be an innovative observation, experience or technique in the field of vestibular basic science or clinical science.

HERBERT SILVERSTEIN AWARD FOR RESEARCH EXCELLENCE IN OTOTOLOGY/NEUROTOLOGY (\$1500)

An annual award endowed by Dr. Herbert Silverstein, presented to a trainee (Otolaryngology resident/Neurotology fellow) or early career clinician (1st five years of practice) for the best research manuscript submission for presentation at the annual ANS Scientific Meeting on the topics of Meniere's disease, vestibular diseases, cochlear implants, vestibular schwannomas and otosclerosis.

VEDA VESTIBULAR RESEARCH TRAVEL AWARD (\$1500)

This annual travel grant established in 2025 is generously funded by VeDA, Vestibular Disorders Association, to promote innovation and excellence in vestibular outcomes research. The award will be awarded to the best abstract submitted in this area of research and selected for oral presentation at the annual ANS Spring meeting.

MICHAEL E. GLASSCOCK SCIENTIFIC MERIT AWARD (\$1500)

This Award is being granted in recognition of Dr. Glasscock's lifetime commitment to education, research and the advancement of our field. Beginning in 2024, the primary author who submits the abstract receiving the highest composite blinded score, will be named as the recipient of this prestigious award.

SCIENTIFIC POSTER AWARDS - (\$500, \$300, \$200)

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE AMERICAN OTOLOGICAL SOCIETY?

AOS MEMBERSHIP

Are you interested in applying for AOS membership? Have you been in practice more than 8 years (includes fellowship)?

Do you have a strong publication history? Do you have an outstanding record of generating new knowledge, clinical excellence in otology, & service to other otologic organizations?

The online application, including the following items are due **September 5th** for consideration in 2026.

- **UPDATED CV** (within 4 months of application date)
- **LIST of publications** and/or a significant body of work (most recent first)
- **PERSONAL STATEMENT**
- **TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

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Watch for a new AOS website
and Social Media presence
in the coming months!

AOS GRANT FUNDING

NOVEMBER 1: Letter of Intent due

DECEMBER 9: Invitation to submit full application

JANUARY 31, 2026: Full application due

APRIL 1, 2026: Preliminary notification of grant status

JUNE 1, 2026: Notification of awards

THESE DEADLINES ARE FOR ALL AOS GRANT MECHANISMS

If you would like to submit a grant for consideration of funding in the next cycle, 2026-2027, in ONE PDF, include a LETTER OF INTENT and PI BIOSKETCH (NIH template), including details regarding other existing support, and any potential overlap with your mentor(s) must be submitted by November 1st of the year prior to funding. The letter of intent must state the desired grant mechanism for the proposal (CSA, Fellowship grant, Clinical Investigation, Research grant or Multi-centered Clinical Cooperative Seed Grant), the Principal Investigator, and Institution(s), a working title, with an abstract and Specific Aims (2 page limit on abstract and aims). Biosketches and a cover letter should accompany the 2 page proposal summary, but it is not included as part of the two page summary. The next funding cycle begins July 1, 2026. Biosketches of all personnel are optional, but will be required if invited to submit a full application.

Complete applications will be invited from selected applicants based on the Research Advisory Board's review of the letters of intent.

Applicants will be notified whether they are invited to submit a full application the 2nd week of December.

Completed applications must be received by January 31st.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

AOS WEBINAR

LIVE Q&A!

**Sound Mind: Hearing Loss
and Cognitive Health**

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

8:30 PM - 9:30 PM ET

Nancy M. Young, MD - President, AOS

Sujana S. Chandrasekhar, MD - Past President, AOS

Bradley W. Kesser, MD - Education Director, AOS

Panelists:

Justin S. Golub, MD, MS - Columbia University

Richard K. Gurgel, MD, MSCI - University of Utah

Carrie L. Neiman, MD, MPH - Johns Hopkins University