• Volunteer to serve on an Assembly Committee, a great way to advance science as well as your own career! Interested members should contact the respective committee chairs which can be found on our webpage under “Officers and Committees” on the ATS website.
• Participate in the planning and selection of an article to discuss in our monthly online journal club. Upcoming and archived Journal Club Articles can be found on our web page under Journal Club.
• Submit proposals to develop ATS Official Documents through the Assembly projects proposal mechanism on the ATS web site
• Submit Proposals for symposia, sunrise sessions and postgraduate courses for the International Conference

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Get Involved!
You can now register to become more involved in the ATS Assemblies, ATS Committees or both.
There are many ways to grow within ATS and the Assemblies and Committees are a great starting point.
Who are we and what are our research interests?
The Allergy, Immunology and Inflammation (AII) Assembly is one of the two oldest ATS Assemblies and it remains one of the largest and most diverse. AII welcomes MD and PhD investigators and clinicians interested in a variety of translational and basic science research topics. AII has an active International Relations Advisory Committee and one of the largest percentage of international members. The Assembly has both traditionally and recently sponsored the following topics:

- Asthma
- Allergic respiratory tract diseases (allergic alveolitis, rhinitis/sinusitis, IgE)
- Animal models of lung inflammation
- Autoimmune diseases (e.g. Goodpasture’s syndrome)
- Basic immunologic and inflammatory mechanisms of lung disease
- Cellular (T, B & NK cells) and humoral (antibody, complement) immunity
- COPD, especially pathogenesis
- Cytokines & chemokines
- Efferocytosis (clearance of apoptotic cells)
- Inflammatory responses associated with acute and chronic lung injury
- Innate immune cell types (dendritic cells, macrophages, eosinophils, mast cells, neutrophils)
- Intersections between immunity and the lung microbiome
- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Sarcoidosis
- Transplant immunology
- Tumor immunology

AII is also the administrative home of the Genetics & Genomics Section, whose leadership participate in the AII Executive Committee. We also put forth many topically relevant educational materials on an ongoing basis including the new updated asthma website, journal clubs, and podcasts.

Why participate in the All Assembly?
Assembly participation is the primary mechanism by which members meet and network with individuals who share similar interests. These interactions allow members to experience the ATS on a smaller and more manageable scale. In addition, the AII assembly partners with other ATS assemblies to program the annual International Conference, as well as create and update ATS Official Documents.

The following are some specific activities that early career professionals including: fellows, post-doctoral trainees, residents, medical and graduate students can actively participate in AII:

- Interactions with academic and clinical leaders in the field of allergy, immunology and inflammation
- Face-to-face meetings with the potential for establishing mentorship relationships with others in your field of interest via involvement in the AII mentorship program.
- Opportunities to become more involved in the International Conference, such as chairing a session or facilitating a poster session
- Discuss research ideas and collaborate with ATS members who share similar scientific interests, with opportunities to engage in projects which span across research disciplines, diseases, and training backgrounds
- A platform to impact the direction of ATS activities, projects, and polices
- Become eligible for All Abstract Scholarships and other All Recognition Awards
- Cast your vote for All Assembly Leadership

How to become involved in the All Assembly
The best way to become involved in AII is to attend our annual membership meeting at the annual International Conference. At the meeting, the Assembly Chair addresses important issues relative to AII members, the committee chairs give updates on their committees, and an ATS officer provides an update on the ATS as a whole. In addition to attending the meeting, you can also become involved in the AII assembly through these additional avenues:

- Update your ATS profile to designate AII as your primary or secondary Assembly. You can update your ATS Profile at any time by visiting the ATS website, clicking on the members tab and selecting “Update Your Profile” your changes will update in the ATS database one hour from the time you submit
- Sign up for the AII mentorship program, which pairs early career professionals with a more senior member to foster career development.