



The Assembly on  
*Clinical Problems*

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## How to become involved in CP activities

Attend the annual Membership Meeting, generally held late Monday afternoon during the International Conference. At this meeting, the Assembly Chair updates the membership on important issues, the planning chair gives updates on the work in progress, and an ATS officer provides an update on the ATS. The annual meeting is generally preceded by a gathering for new members and early career professionals. Before and after the meeting, introduce yourself to the assembly leadership (we're all very friendly); we're always looking to get new members involved.

Other ways to get involved in the CP assembly:

- Submit to our web committee any content that would enhance education of the assembly on clinical lung diseases.
- Serve on a CP assembly standing committee: Web Committee, Planning Committee or Program Committee. The Web Committee is an especially good committee for junior professionals looking to engage in the assembly.
- Join the Early Career Professionals Working Group.

If interested, please contact the Committee Chairs. A list of Committee Chairs can be found on the CP web page under the "Officers and Committees" on the ATS website.

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You can use this QR code on your phone to sign up now!

## 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.

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## Welcome

We would like to personally introduce you to the ATS Assembly on Clinical Problems (CP).

The Assembly on Clinical Problems (CP) focuses on clinical and research questions associated with diseases of the lung seen in pulmonary practice including interstitial lung diseases, COPD, lung cancer, interventional pulmonology, lung transplantation and rare lung diseases. The Assembly focuses on translation of knowledge into prevention of disease, and improved diagnosis, treatment and patient outcomes.

The Assembly on Clinical Problems (CP) is the voice of and advocate for clinical and translational pulmonary

medicine in the ATS. Leaders of the assembly are key advisors to the ATS leadership and the Board of Directors.

### Who are we and what are our research interests?

Members of the CP Assembly are MD and PhD investigators and clinicians. CP members are recognized leaders across a broad spectrum of research and clinical areas linked to clinical pulmonary medicine, including:

- Interstitial lung disease
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Pulmonary function testing
- Lung imaging
- Interventional bronchoscopy
- Lung cancer
- Thoracic surgery
- Rare lung diseases
- Bronchiectasis
- Lung transplantation

### Why participate in the CP Assembly?

Assembly participation is the primary mechanism by which ATS members become involved in the ATS as a whole, and Assemblies allow members to experience the ATS on a smaller and more manageable scale. The CP Assembly in collaboration with other Assemblies is responsible for the annual International Conference content and creating and updating ATS Official Documents.

The following are some specific advantages for fellows, post-doctoral trainees and junior faculty to actively participate in the CP Assembly:

- Access and Interactions with academic and clinical leaders in the field of pulmonary medicine through assembly activities, leadership, and collaborative projects.
- Sharing of common or similar interests, with opportunities to engage in projects across research

disciplines, disease management pathways, and training backgrounds.

- Become acquainted with your peers (and getting them to know you!) is an important part of establishing a successful career. The annual CP Membership Meeting is a dedicated time for interacting with your friends and peers in lung disease.
- Opportunities at the International Conference to chair symposia or mini-symposia and/or facilitate poster discussion or thematic poster sessions.
- Eligibility for CP Awards, including:
  - CP Annual Mentoring Award is given in recognition of outstanding contributions to mentoring, training, and guidance of junior pulmonary/critical care medicine individuals and/or colleagues in research or clinical care.
  - Annual Educator Award - The award is given in recognition of outstanding clinical and educator expertise and significant contribution to clinical education in pulmonary/critical care medicine.
  - ATS Abstract Scholarship – selected by the Program Committee and based on quality of abstract
  - Early Career Achievement Award is given to an individual who has made outstanding scientific contributions in clinical, translational, or laboratory-based research relevant to clinical problems. This award is to recognize an individual who has made these contributions early in his or her career.