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Assembly on Environmental, Occupational, and Population Health (EOPH) Newsletter

Dear EOPH members,

In this November issue of the EOPH newsletter, we share some of our members' recent "epub ahead of print" articles, information about the ATS 2018 BEAR Cage Competition for early career investigators, and details on an upcoming ATS 2018 PGME course. Several of our members have also been recent recipients of prestigious awards that we describe in our "Things Worth Celebrating" section!

Please let us know about your recent publications, awards, and achievements. Also, we would appreciate suggestions or feedback for future issues at kbailey@unmc.edu or tara.nordgren@medsch.ucr.edu.

Sincerely,

Your web committee co-chairs,

Kristina Bailey and Tara Nordgren



Recent publications

This section highlights some of our assembly members' exciting research that was recently 'e-published.' It is possible that our search may miss your best work, so please send your recent publications to: kbailey@unmc.edu.

Terrorism and Inhalational Disasters Section

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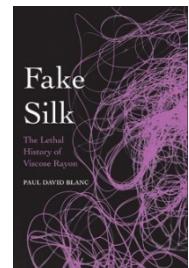
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Things Worth Celebrating!

The Medical Care section of the American Public Health Association (APHA) has awarded the prestigious 2017 Viseltear Prize from the APHA for “Outstanding Book on the History of Public Health” to Paul Blanc for his book titled, [Fake Silk: The Lethal History of Viscose Rayon](#) (Yale University Press, 2016). Congratulations on earning this esteemed award!



The publication by James P. Allinson and colleagues titled, [“Combined Impact of Smoking and Early-Life Exposures on Adult Lung Function Trajectories”](#) received the ERS/ELF best abstract grant for healthy lungs for life at the ERS 2017 congress. This publication was also discussed in an [editorial](#) in AJRCCM. We are delighted to see these important and impactful investigations being highlighted!



We know that many of you have successes to share with us. Please help us expand this section by emailing us your good news: kbailey@unmc.edu or tara.nordgren@medsch.ucr.edu.

New ATS Foundation Research Fellowship in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF)

A new fellowship for IPF research supported by the Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and the ATS Foundation will award \$100,000 over two years (Dec. 2018-Nov. 2020). The fellowship applications will open with the 2018 Grant Cycle in April. More information is available at <https://member.thoracic.org/about/newsroom/press-releases/journal/new-research-fellowship-in-ipf-funded-by-boehringer-ingelheim-pharmaceuticals-inc.php>.

#ATS2018 BEAR Cage

The BEAR Cage competition for **early career investigators** promotes the discussion of novel translational research ideas in a fun, yet competitive, forum and supports opportunities for collaboration and mentorship. One grand prize winner will be awarded a \$5,000 prize and the two runner-up proposals receive \$2,500 each. The **deadline** for BEAR Cage research proposals is December 15. To read more about the competition, go to <http://conference.thoracic.org/program/early-career-professionals/enter-bear-cage.php>.

ATS 2018 PGME course: Does my patient have environmental or occupational lung disease?

Drs. Peggy S. Lai (Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard School of Public Health) and Yuh-Chin Tony Huang (Duke) will be co-chairing a PGME course on Friday, May 18, 2018 titled, “Does my patient have environmental or occupational lung disease?”. Overarching concepts covered include “tools of the trade,” “common lung diseases through the lens of environmental and occupational exposures,” and “common and emerging environmental and occupational exposures that cause lung disease.” Please contact us or the co-chairs for more information, and be sure to sign up for this interesting and informative course!