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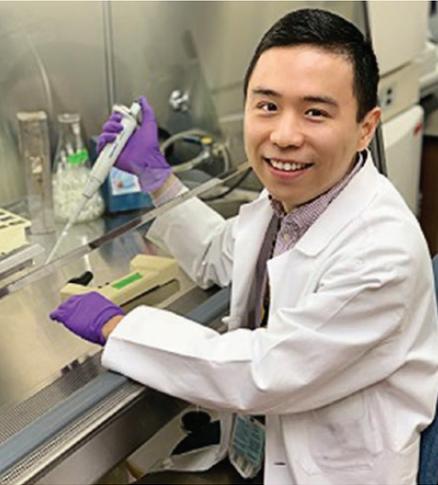
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University of Alabama at Birmingham

Since 1976, the Parker B. Francis Fellowship Program sponsored by the Francis Family Foundation has provided support for career development for more than 880 M.D. and Ph.D. scientists embarking on careers in clinical, laboratory or translational science related to Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. Beginning with the Class of 2020, PBF Fellows will receive \$225,000 over three years to support research with experienced mentors in diverse areas related to lung biology, pulmonary medicine, critical illness, control of breathing, and sleep. The Parker B. Francis Fellowship provides important support at a key transition point in the careers of new scientists who want to serve patients with lung diseases through innovative research. Past PBF Fellows have become international leaders in all aspects of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. Scientific discoveries by PBF Fellows have improved the lives of children and adults with a wide variety of lung diseases.

### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants are eligible to apply for a PBF Fellowship if at the time of application they are:

- *An M.D. or Ph.D. scientist embarking on a career in clinical, laboratory or translational science related to Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine at a U.S. or Canadian university or research institution;*
- *A citizen or permanent resident of the US or Canada or holders of a VISA that spans the entire project period of the grant;*
- *A Ph.D. scientist no more than seven years beyond completion of their doctoral degree or an M.D. scientist no more than seven years beyond formal training, such as a sub-specialty fellowship. Exceptions to this policy must be approved in advance by the Scientific Director of the Parker B. Francis Fellowship Program.*

Applicants must be approved by their department to apply for the PBF Fellowship. Institutions may have no more than three Parker B. Francis Fellows in a single department at a given time; a department may submit no more than two applications annually; a mentor may sponsor only one application per application cycle.

Individuals are not eligible for a PBF Fellowship if, at the time of application, they are or have been principal investigator on an NIH K or R series research award or other nationally competitive research award at a comparable level.

PBF Fellows are required to have at least 75 percent of their time available for research.

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### NEXT APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 12, 2020

Application instructions and forms, program information (leadership, past and current PBF Fellows and Mentors) and AJRCCM publication about the PBF Fellowship Program can be found at [www.francisfellowships.org](http://www.francisfellowships.org).

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