

# **2026 Introductory Course for Allergy and Immunology Fellows**

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## Monday, July 6, 2026

| Time              | Session Title                                     | Faculty                                                                                                          | Institution |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 8:00am - 8:15am   | <b>BREAKFAST</b>                                  |                                                                                                                  |             |
| 8:15am - 8:25am   | Welcome / Introduction                            | Mariana Castells, M.D., Ph.D.,<br>Patrick Brennan, M.D., Ph.D.,<br>Ayobami Akenroye, M.B.Ch.B.,<br>M.P.H., Ph.D. | BWH         |
| 8:25am - 8:50am   | Origins of Immunity                               | Duane Wesemann, M.D., Ph.D.                                                                                      | BWH         |
| 8:55am - 9:30am   | B Cells and Immunoglobulin Production             | Sarita Patil, M.D.                                                                                               | MGH         |
| 9:35am - 10:10am  | T cells and Innate Lymphoid Cells                 | Patrick Brennan, M.D., Ph.D.                                                                                     | BWH         |
| 10:15am - 10:30am | <b>COFFEE BREAK / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>          |                                                                                                                  |             |
| 10:35am - 11:10am | Neutrophils                                       | Peter Nigrovic, M.D.                                                                                             | BCH         |
| 11:15am - 11:50am | Mast Cell Biology                                 | Dan Dwyer, Ph.D.                                                                                                 | BWH         |
| 11:55am - 12:30pm | The Microbiome and Metabolome in Allergic Disease | Rachel Kelly, Ph.D.                                                                                              | BWH         |
| 12:35pm - 1:15pm  | <b>LUNCH / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>                 |                                                                                                                  |             |
| 1:15pm - 1:50pm   | Neuroimmunology                                   | Caroline Sokol, M.D., Ph.D.                                                                                      | MGH         |
| 1:55pm - 2:35pm   | The Epithelium in Allergic Disease                | Lora Bankova, M.D.                                                                                               | BWH         |
| 2:40pm - 3:30pm   | <b>Ice Cream Social</b>                           |                                                                                                                  |             |

## Tuesday, July 7, 2026

| Time              | Session Title                                      | Faculty                       | Institution |
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| 8:00am - 8:15am   | <b>BREAKFAST</b>                                   |                               |             |
| 8:15am - 8:50am   | Primary Immunodeficiencies - T Cells               | Craig Platt, M.D., Ph.D.      | BCH         |
| 8:55am - 9:30am   | Primary Immunodeficiencies - B Cells               | Carolyn Baloh, M.D.           | BWH         |
| 9:35am - 10:10am  | CVID and Autoimmunity in PID                       | Jocelyn Farmer M.D., Ph.D.    | LHMC        |
| 10:15am - 10:30am | <b>COFFEE BREAK / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>           |                               |             |
| 10:35am - 11:10am | Urticaria                                          | Karen Hsu-Blatman, M.D.       | DHMC        |
| 11:15am - 11:50am | Medication Therapy of Asthma and Allergic Diseases | Camellia Hernandez, M.D.      | BWH         |
| 11:55am - 12:30pm | Comorbidities and Asthma                           | Dinah Foer, M.D.              | BWH         |
| 12:35pm - 1:15pm  | <b>LUNCH / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>                  |                               |             |
| 1:15pm - 1:50pm   | IgE and Immunoglobulin Sialylation                 | Michelle Conroy, M.D.         | MGH         |
| 1:55pm - 2:30pm   | Ocular Allergies                                   | Stephen Anesi, M.D., F.A.C.S. | MERSI       |

## Wednesday, July 8, 2026

| Time              | Session Title                                  | Faculty                                    | Institution |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 8:00am - 8:15am   | <b>BREAKFAST</b>                               |                                            |             |
| 8:15am - 8:50am   | Eosinophilic GI Disorders                      | Wayne Shreffler, M.D., Ph.D.               | MGH         |
| 8:55am - 9:30am   | Pathobiology of Asthma                         | Nora Barrett, M.D.                         | BWH         |
| 9:35am - 10:10am  | Diagnosis and Management of Asthma in Children | Bernard Kinane, M.D.                       | MGH         |
| 10:15am - 10:30am | <b>COFFEE BREAK / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>       |                                            |             |
| 10:35am - 11:10am | Biologics for Asthma                           | Ayobami Akenroye, M.B.Ch.B., M.P.H., Ph.D. | BWH         |
| 11:15am - 11:50am | Aspirin Exacerbated Respiratory Disease        | Kathleen Buchheit, M.D.                    | BWH         |
| 11:55am - 12:30pm | Lung Physiology, PFTs, and Cases               | Rebecca Sternschein, M.D.                  | BWH         |
| 12:35pm - 1:15pm  | <b>LUNCH / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>              |                                            |             |
| 1:15pm - 1:50pm   | Drug Allergy Across the Care Continuum         | John Accarino, M.D.                        | MGH         |
| 1:55pm - 2:30pm   | Rhinitis and Sinusitis                         | Rachel Roditi, M.D.                        | BWH         |

## Thursday, July 9, 2026

| Time              | Session Title                                            | Faculty                            | Institution |
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| 8:00am - 8:15am   | <b>BREAKFAST</b>                                         |                                    |             |
| 8:15am - 8:50am   | <b>Autoinflammatory Diseases</b>                         | <b>Pui Y. Lee, M.D., Ph.D.</b>     | <b>BCH</b>  |
| 8:55am - 9:30am   | <b>In Vivo and In Vitro Testing for Hypersensitivity</b> | <b>Morris Ling, M.D.</b>           | <b>MGH</b>  |
| 9:35am - 10:10am  | <b>Eosinophilia</b>                                      | <b>Lourdes Ramirez, M.D., M.S.</b> | <b>BWH</b>  |
| 10:15am - 10:30am | <b>COFFEE BREAK / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>                 |                                    |             |
| 10:35am - 11:10am | <b>Immunotherapy</b>                                     | <b>David Hong, M.D.</b>            | <b>BWH</b>  |
| 11:15am - 11:50am | <b>Angioedema</b>                                        | <b>Aleena Banerji, M.D.</b>        | <b>MGH</b>  |
| 11:55am - 12:30pm | <b>Mastocytosis and MCAS</b>                             | <b>Matthew Giannetti, M.D.</b>     | <b>BWH</b>  |
| 12:35pm - 1:15pm  | <b>LUNCH / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>                        |                                    |             |
| 1:15pm - 1:50pm   | <b>Atopic Dermatitis</b>                                 | <b>Tina Ho, M.D., Ph.D.</b>        | <b>BCH</b>  |
| 1:55pm - 2:30pm   | <b>Contact Dermatitis and Patch Testing</b>              | <b>Ari Goldminz, M.D.</b>          | <b>BWH</b>  |

## Friday, July 10, 2026

| Time              | Session Title                                                                                           | Faculty                                                                                                                    | Institution |
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| 8:00am - 8:50am   | <b>NETWORKING BREAKFAST</b>                                                                             |                                                                                                                            |             |
| 8:55am - 9:30am   | Practical Approach to Drug Allergy Consults                                                             | Anna Wolfson, M.D.                                                                                                         | MGH         |
| 9:35am - 10:10am  | Desensitizations for Drug HSR                                                                           | Mariana Castells, M.D., Ph.D.                                                                                              | BWH         |
| 10:15am - 10:30am | <b>COFFEE BREAK / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>                                                                |                                                                                                                            |             |
| 10:35am - 11:10am | Food Allergy                                                                                            | Joyce Hsu, M.D.                                                                                                            | BWH         |
| 11:15am - 11:50am | Psychological and Cognitive Impact of Mastocytosis, a paradigm of the brain impact in allergic diseases | Jennifer Nicoloso Santa Barbara, Ph.D.                                                                                     | BWH         |
| 11:55am - 12:30pm | Anaphylaxis                                                                                             | Rebecca Saff, M.D., Ph.D.                                                                                                  | MGH         |
| 12:35pm - 1:00pm  | <b>LUNCH / EXHIBIT BOOTH TIME</b>                                                                       |                                                                                                                            |             |
| 1:00pm - 2:00pm   | Career Panel                                                                                            | Patrick Brennan, M.D., Ph.D.,<br>Dinah Foer M.D.,<br>Matthew Giannetti, M.D.,<br>Lakiea Wright-Bello, M.D., M.A.T., M.P.H. | BWH         |