



# 2026 ACRE Vascular Symposium

**May 13, 2026 | 10 AM - 5PM**  
Crossroads Community Center  
16000 NE 10th St, Bellevue, WA

## An exceptional lineup of speakers

**Keynote:** Dr. Cecilia Giachelli, Dr. Mark Majesky

**Distinguished:** Dr. Naomi Hamburg, Dr. Guohao Dai

**Featured:** Drs. Li Guo, Nicholas Chavkin, Chengcheng Zhu, Yanbo Fan



**YIA/Travel Award Competition**  
**Career Development Forum**  
**Networking Opportunities**

Abstract Submission  
Deadline: March 15,  
2026 -- 6:00 PM PT



Early Registration  
Deadline: April 15,  
2026 -- 11:59 PM CT



## Keynote Presentation



**Cecilia Giachelli**

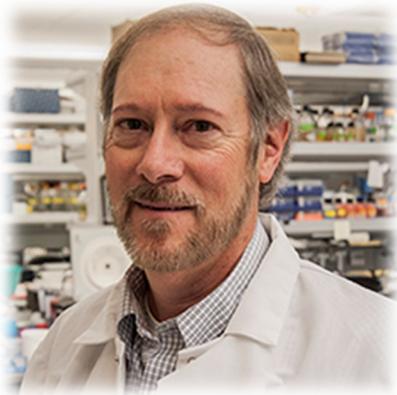
PhD

University of Washington

**Dr. Cecilia Giachelli** is Professor of Bioengineering, Associate Vice Provost for Research, and the Steven R. and Connie R. Rogel Endowed Professor for Cardiovascular Innovation. She previously served as President of the North American Vascular Biology Organization and has held leadership and advisory roles with the Society for Biomaterials, American Society of Investigative Pathology, and the American Heart Association. She has also served on multiple NIH study sections and as a site reviewer for the NHLBI Board of Scientific Counselors.

Dr. Giachelli is internationally recognized for her research on the molecular mechanisms of biomaterial biocompatibility, ectopic calcification, and phosphate signaling. Her work has identified key regulators of pathological calcification in chronic kidney disease, valvular disease, atherosclerosis, and medical devices. She is an elected Fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering and the Washington State Academy of Sciences, and a recipient of the American Heart Association Established Investigator Award, the Advances in Mineral Metabolism Investigator Award, and the Society for Vascular Surgery Alexander Clowes Award.

## Keynote Presentation



**Mark W Majesky**

PhD

Seattle Children's  
Research Institute

**Dr. Mark W Majesky** is Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Washington and Director of the Myocardial Regeneration Initiative at Seattle Children's Research Institute. His research focuses on the molecular mechanisms governing cardiac and vascular development, with the goal of translating developmental and stem cell biology into regenerative therapies for congenital heart disease and heart failure. He also leads stem cell research efforts at the Seattle Children's Heart Center.

Dr. Majesky is an internationally recognized expert in vascular and stem cell biology. He previously held faculty positions at Baylor College of Medicine and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He served as President of the North American Vascular Biology Organization (2008–2009) and received the American Heart Association Special Recognition Award in Vascular Biology.

## Distinguished Speakers



**Naomi M. Hamburg**

MD, MS  
Professor  
Boston University



**Guohao Dai**

PhD  
Professor  
Northeastern University

## Featured Speakers



**Li Amily Guo**

MD, PhD  
Assistant Professor  
University of  
Washinton



**Nicholas Chavkin**

PhD  
Assistant Professor  
University of Washington



**Chengcheng Zhu**

PhD  
Associate Professor  
University of Washinton



**Yanbo Fan**

MD  
Associate Professor  
The Ohio State  
University

## Program at a Glance:

10:00 -11:00 AM	Registration	Career development Forum
11:00 -11:10 AM		Sponsors' presentations
11:10- 12:00 PM		Lunch
12:00 -12:15 PM	Opening Remarks & ACRE Reports	
12:15 -12:45 PM	Keynote Presentation I (25 min talk + 5 min discussion)	
12:45 - 1:45 PM	Featured Presentations (12 min talk + 3 min discussion)	
1:45 - 2:00 PM	Break	
2:00 - 3:00 PM	YIA Presentations (7 min talk + 3 min discussion)	
3:00 - 3:40 PM	Distinguished Presentations (15 min talk + 5 min discussion)	
3:40 – 4:10 PM	Keynote Presentation II (25 min talk + 5 min discussion)	
4:10 - 5:00 PM	Leadership Remarks (15 min), Award Presentation (20 min), Closing Remarks (15 min)	

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**YIA Judges:** TBD

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