

2026 PRS Annual Meeting

Discovering Therapeutic Benefits in Perinatal Medicine

September 18-20, 2026 | Banff, Alberta, Canada



Preliminary Meeting Program

Friday, September 18, 2026

4:30 – 7:00 pm	Check-in and Registration Kinneare Centre 100 Galleria South
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Welcome Reception Kinneare Centre 203, 205
6:00 pm	Welcome Dinner Kinneare Centre 203, 205
6:30 pm	Welcome Sean Limesand, PhD, PRS President
7:00 pm	Mead Johnson Nutrition Speaker Janene Fuerch, MD, FAAP Stanford University <i>From Bedside to Breakthrough: Innovating Medical Devices for the Smallest Patients</i>

Saturday, September 19, 2026

7:00 – 7:45 am	Breakfast Vistas Dining Room
Morning Session	Kinneare Centre 103, 105
8:00 – 9:00 am	Associate Member “Rapid-Fire” Speaker Series Danielle Callaway, MD, PhD University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center Eileen Chang, PhD University of Colorado Anschutz Robert Dietz, MD, PhD University of Colorado Anschutz Alison Goulding, MD, MSCR Baylor College of Medicine Lauren Gyllenhammer, PhD University of California, Irvine Jacquelyn Lajiness, MD, PhD Indiana University Dorothy K. Sojka, PhD Loyola University Chicago Maria von Chamier, DVM, PhD University of Florida Elizabeth Yen, MD Tufts Medical Center
9:00 – 9:45 am	NIH - NICHD Speaker Janna Morrison, PhD Adelaide University <i>Seeing the Fetus Grow</i>
9:45 – 10:00 am	Questions and Answers
10:00 – 10:30 am	Break Kinneare Centre 100 Galleria South
10:30 – 10:50 am	PRS-PSANZ Mont Liggins Early Career Award Claudia Bruno, PhD BSc (Hons) University of Sydney <i>Every Pregnancy Counts: A Population-Based Approach to Studying Early Pregnancy Outcomes and Medication Safety</i>
10:50 – 10:55 am	Questions and Answers

10:55 – 11:15 am	NIH and Mead Johnson Nutrition PRS Young Investigator Speaker Joshua Sheak, MD, PhD Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center <i>Characterization of Lung Microstructural Changes in Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia Using Hyperpolarized Gas Magnetic Resonance Imaging</i>
11:15 – 11:20 am	Questions and Answers
11:30 – 11:50 pm	NIH and Mead Johnson Nutrition PRS Young Investigator Speaker Laurie Griffin, MD University of Utah <i>From Blood Pressure Management to Placental Multi-omics: Advancing Therapeutic Strategies for Hypertensive Disorders of Pregnancy</i>
11:50 – 11:55 pm	Questions and Answers
11:55 – 12:15 pm	NIH and Mead Johnson Nutrition PRS Young Investigator Speaker Patrycja Puchalska, PhD University of Minnesota <i>Ketones Beyond Fasting: A Vital Mechanism in Early Life</i>
12:15 – 12:20 pm	Questions and Answers
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch Kinnear Centre 203, 205
1:30 – 3:30 pm	Free Time for Local Activities TBD
Afternoon Session	Kinnear Centre 103, 105
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Refreshments and Networking Kinnear Centre 100 Galleria South
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Business Meeting for PRS members
5:00 – 5:45 pm	Liley Lecture Frank Bloomfield, ONZM, PhD, FRACP, FRSNZ University of Auckland <i>Do We Know How to Feed the Preterm Baby?</i>
5:45 – 6:00 am	Questions and Answers
6:00 – 7:00 pm	PRS Team Building Activity and Social Hour Location TBD
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Dinner Kinnear Centre 203, 205

Sunday, September 20, 2026

7:00 – 7:45 am	Breakfast Vistas Dining Room
Morning Session	Kinnear Centre 103, 105
8:00 – 8:45 am	PRS Member Speaker Emilyn Alejandro, PhD University of Minnesota <i>The Placental Clock and Nutrient Sensor: Programming Offspring Metabolic Health</i>
8:45 – 9:00 am	Questions and Answers
9:00 – 9:45 am	PRS Member Speaker Chi Zhou, PhD University of Arizona <i>Immune–Endothelial Crosstalk in Placental Insufficiency–Induced Fetal Growth Restriction</i>
9:45 – 10:00 am	Questions and Answers
10:00 – 10:30 am	Break Kinnear Centre 100 Galleria South
10:30 – 11:15 am	PRS Member Speaker

Helen Jones, PhD | University of Florida
Placental Gene Targeting to Improve Fetal Outcomes

11:15 – 11:30 am

Questions and Answers

11:30 – 12:15 pm

March of Dimes Speaker

David Olson, PhD | University of Alberta
The Journey to Develop a Preterm Birth Therapeutic

12:15 – 12:30 pm

Questions and Answers

12:30 pm

Closing Remarks and Adjournment

12:30 – 1:30 pm

Boxed Lunches Kinnear Centre | 100 Galleria South