



## **SPR MISSION**

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Creating a network of multidisciplinary researchers to improve child health





# Introduction to the SPR Junior Section

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# What is SPR?

## HISTORY

- 1929: SPR originated because of discontentment among young investigators - referred to as “Young Turks” - who felt the existing pediatric societies were dominated by very senior faculty

## MISSION

- To create a network of multi-disciplinary researchers to improve child health

## MEMBERSHIP (Active)

- Honorary society
- Membership is by current Member nomination and Council review
- Eligible Members have a record of current, independent research related to child health

# How is SPR different from APS?



## Mission:

To create a network of multi-disciplinary researchers to improve child health.

## Vision:

Connecting, collaborating and catalyzing the conduct of pediatric research.

*Has a junior section*



## Mission:

Engaging distinguished pediatric leaders to shape the future of academic pediatrics.

## Vision:

A secure future for academic pediatrics.

*No Junior Section*

# SPR and PAS



PAS = Pediatric Academic Societies Meeting

## PAS Partner Societies

- Academic Pediatric Association (APA)
- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- American Pediatric Society (APS)
- *Society for Pediatric Research (SPR)*

*Monday at the PAS Meeting is*

*“SPR Day”*

- *Scientific Presidential Plenary*
- *Free Member Lunch*
- *SPR Awardees Ceremony*



**Pediatric Academic Societies Meeting**

**April 29-May 6, 2020 | Philadelphia, PA**

**April 29-May 1 • Pre-Conference Events | May 2-5 • PAS Meeting | May 6 • Post-Conference Events**

# SPR Junior Section



- Established in 2012
- Fellowship through first 6 years as faculty
- Free – no dues assessed
- “Rolling Admissions” by self-nomination
- Leadership: Fellows
- Junior members receive SPR communications, are invited to SPR events and may serve on SPR committees as approved by Council

# SPR Junior Section



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- Professional networking
- Opportunities for participation in regional/national SPR programs
- Recognition through awards and grants
- Opportunities to advocate for child health research funding

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  - ❖ Young Investigator Coaching Program
  - ❖ K-Club
  - ❖ Physician-Scientist Bridging to Success Grant
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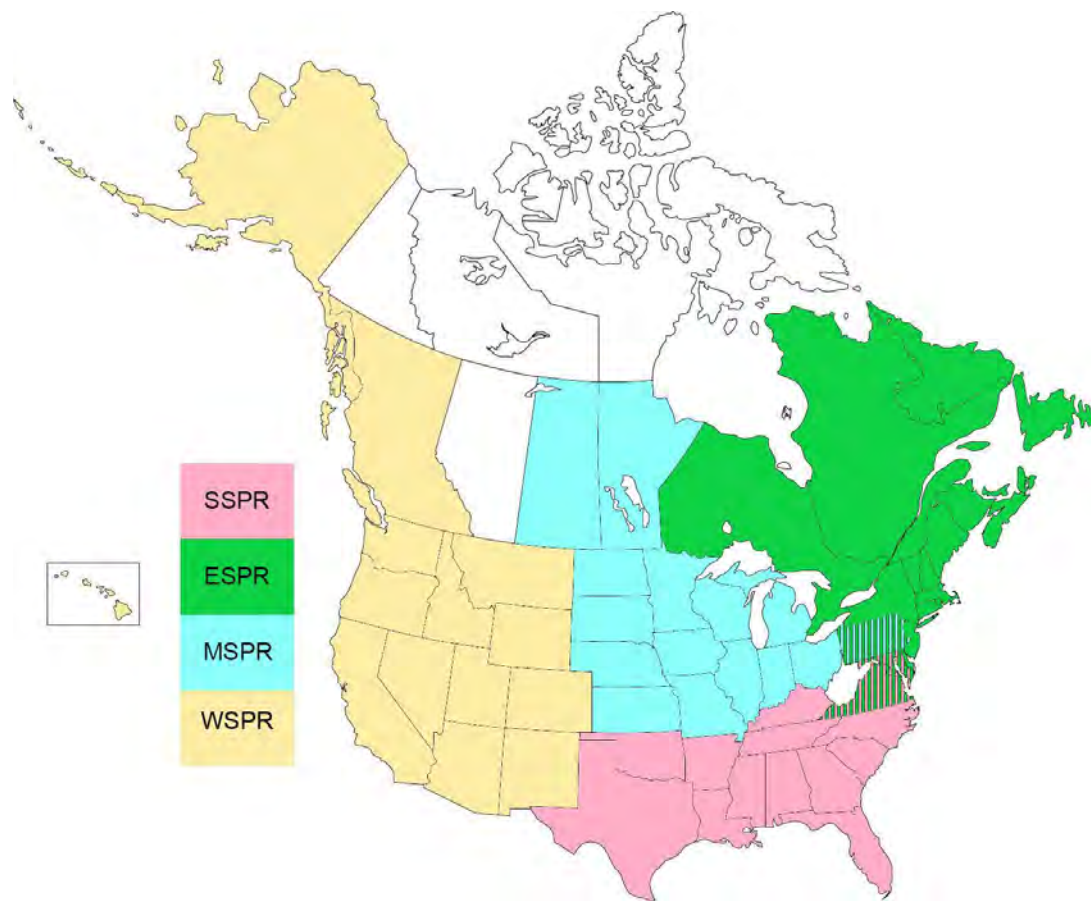
- Aids Fellows in transition to faculty role
- Professional networking
  - ❖ **SPR Membership Database (“DOOR”)**
  - ❖ **Academic Pediatric Registry**
- Opportunities to participate in regional/national SPR programs
- Recognition through numerous awards and grants
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  - ❖ **PAS Meeting April 29 – May 6, 2020 Philadelphia**
    - ❖ **SPR Day at PAS: Monday, May 4, 2020 #pas2020**
  - ❖ **Regional SPR Meetings: Eastern, Midwest, Southern, Western**
- Recognition through awards and grants
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# SPR Regional Societies



## Eastern SPR

March 13-25, 2020  
Philadelphia

## Southern SPR

February 13-15, 2020  
New Orleans

## Midwest SPR

October 24-25, 2019  
Chicago

## Western SPR

January 23-25, 2020  
Carmel

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- ❖ **Advocacy Committee**

# Transition to Active SPR Membership

## **SPR Active Members are:**

- Engaged in ongoing, independent, hypothesis-driven research related to pediatrics
- Have a track record of independent work as demonstrated through original science manuscripts published from work that was initiated after training was complete
- New SPR Active Members typically hold a faculty appointment at the mid/late assistant or early associate level

# SPR Junior Section Leadership



**President Umar Salimi, MD**

Umar Salimi is a pediatric critical care fellow at the Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri. He received his medical degree at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. Basic and Translational research have been a formative part of his training and he wants to contribute to inspiring a culture of inquiry amongst pediatric trainees. He is eager to create a smoother pathway toward pediatric academic medicine through SPR.

SPR Junior Section  
President-elect  
elections are held each  
year in July



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## Benefits of Membership

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- [+ Honoring Physician-Scientists](#)
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## Membership Categories

- [+ Active Members](#)
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**Junior Membership nomination** is open to fellows who are currently enrolled in an academic fellowship or postdoctoral program related to pediatrics or child health, as well as early career faculty in their first six years after fellowship. Junior Members may self-nominate year-round.



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## Welcome to the Junior Section

### About:

The Society for Pediatric Research Junior Section introduces fellows and early career faculty members to SPR by providing a variety of resources and educational opportunities. The goal is to promote networking within pediatrics and continue the development of scientists, as well as to foster transition to a career in pediatric science and eligibility for SPR [Active Member](#) status.

Junior membership nomination is open to fellows who are currently enrolled in an academic fellowship or postdoctoral program related to pediatrics or child health, as well as early career faculty in their first six years after fellowship.

### Eligibility:

Currently enrolled in or not more than 6 years graduated from established fellowship program related to pediatrics in an academic institution.

Any incomplete applications will be deleted after 6 months from initial application date.

### Benefits for SPR Junior Section:

- Aids fellows in transition from fellowship to faculty.
- Professional networking.
- Opportunities for participation in regional/national SPR programs.
- Recognition through awards program and travel grants.
- Opportunities to advocate for child health research funding.

The Junior Section is led by a President and a President-Elect who are currently in a fellowship program. Together, they work with the SPR leadership to manage and enhance the Junior Section. The call for President-Elect applications occurs each July.

\*Junior Section members are not assessed dues.

# Pediatric Research

- Journal of SPR, APS and the EuroSPR



*SPR Perspectives*

The image is a screenshot of the 'Pediatric Research' author resource hub website. The page has a blue header with the journal's logo and the International Pediatric Research Foundation (IPRF) logo. Below the header, there is a navigation bar with icons for a checklist, a globe, and a person. The main content area is white and contains the following text:

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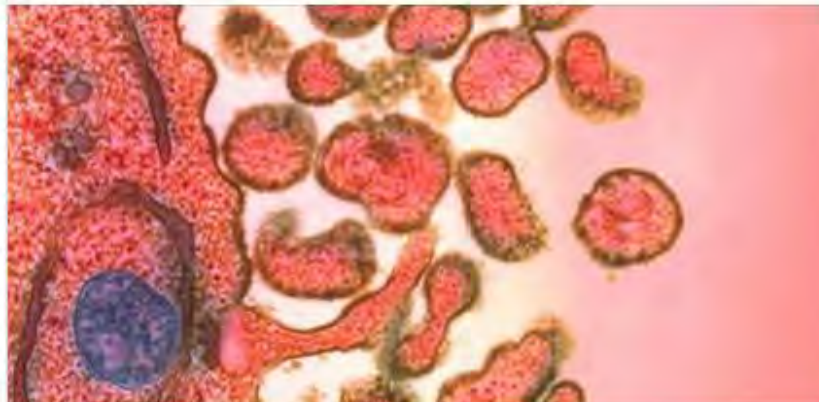
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