

Preliminary Agenda
2024 UConn Aging and UConn Pepper Center First Annual Meeting
Friday October 18, 2024

Mark Twain House and Museum
351 Farmington Ave, Hartford, CT 06105

7:30-8:30	BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION
8:30-8:40	Welcome Remarks Institutional Leadership TBD
8:40-8:50	Enhancing Independence in Key Functional Domains via <i>Precision Gerontology</i> George Kuchel, MD, Director, UConn Center on Aging and UConn Pepper Center
8:50-9:35	2024 Janet E. McElhaney Lecture in Aging Research Insights into the heterogeneity of aging through the study of frailty Dr. Kenneth Rockwood, MD, MPA, FRCPC Professor of Medicine, Geriatrics & Neurology, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada
9:35-9:55	Q & A
	1. Mobility
9:55-10:00	Institutional Overview and Update Richard Fortinsky, PhD, MPI Pepper Center, Professor, Center on Aging and Medicine
10:00-10:15	Jacob Earp, PhD Pepper REC & PESC Scholar, Assistant Professor, Department of Kinesiology, UConn
10:15-10:25	Q&A
10:25-10:35	BREAK
	2. HOST DEFENSE
10:35-10:40	Institutional Overview and Update Laura Haynes, PhD, Leader Pepper Center Biomarkers and Preclinical Research Core, Professor, Center on Aging and Immunology
10:40-10:55	Chris Verschoor, MSc, PhD Scientist, Health Sciences North Research Institute, Assistant Professor, Northern Ontario School of Medicine, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada
10:55-11:10	Jenna Bartley, PhD Pepper REC Scholar, Assistant Professor, Center on Aging and Immunology
11:10-11:25	Q&A
	3. COGNITION AND BEHAVIOR
11:25-11:30	Institutional Overview and Update David Steffens, MD, Pepper REC Core Leader, Professor and Chair, Psychiatry
11:30-11:45	Kevin Manning, PhD Pepper PESC Scholar, Associate Professor Psychiatry
11:45-12:00	Ellis Dillon, PhD Assistant Professor, Center on Aging and Public Health Sciences
12:00-12:15	Q&A

12:15-2:00	<p align="center">LUNCH AND POSTER SESSION</p> <p align="center">1. Group Photo (12:15-12:20)</p> <p align="center">2. Lunch and Networking (12:20-1:00)</p> <p align="center">3. Poster Presentations (1:00-2:00)</p>
	4. VOIDING AND CONTINENCE
2:00-2:05	<p>Institutional Overview and Update George Kuchel, MD, Director, UConn Center on Aging and UConn Pepper Center</p>
2:05-2:20	<p>Iman Al-Naggar, PhD Pepper REC Scholar, Assistant Professor, Center on Aging and Cell Biology</p>
2:20-2:30	Q&A
2:30-3:15	<p>2024 Philip P Smith Award for Contributions to Multidisciplinary Aging Research Role of NIA in Supporting Trainees and Early Stage Faculty in Aging Research Dr Susan Ziemann, MD, PhD Medical Officer, Division of Geriatrics and Clinical Gerontology, NIA, NIH</p>
3:15-3:45	Q&A
3:45-4:00	BREAK AND NETWORKING
4:00-4:20	<p>CARIC Award and Update on UConn Storrs Aging Research Incubator (USA-RI) Nancy Redeker, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN, Senior Associate Dean for Research & Scholarship & Interim PhD Director in Nursing, UConn School of Nursing</p>
4:20-4:30	Q&A
4:30-4:45	<p>Poster Awards Poster Review Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lisa Barry, PhD, Co-Leader Pepper PESC Core, Associate Professor, Center on Aging and Psychiatry - Julie Robison, PhD, Leader, Pepper Recruitment and Community Outreach Core, Professor, Center on Aging and Medicine - Blanka Rogina, PhD, Co-Leader Pepper PESC Core, Professor, Genetics and Genome Sciences - Iman Al-Naggar, PhD, Pepper Scholar and Assistant Professor, Center on Aging and Cell Biology - Ellis Dillon, PhD, Assistant Professor, Center on Aging and Public Health Sciences - Jenna Bartley, PhD, Pepper Scholar and Assistant Professor, Center on Aging and Immunology