

## 2024 Nominee for Nominations Committee Member

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**The nomination committee's responsibility is to assemble the best slate of candidates for Council and Nominations Committee vacancies. This includes verifying prior participation in ICIS activities and assessing how well each candidate aligns with the organization's mission and objectives. Please describe reasons why you feel you are well qualified to serve as a member of the Nominations Committee, including how your background and network has given you a diverse perspective.**

I trained in both clinical medicine and biomedical research. I obtained my PhD from Columbia University under the supervision of Dr. Alan Tall and postdoctoral training from Dr. Charles Dinarello at University of Colorado. Charles is widely regarded as one of the founders of the rapidly expanding field of cytokine biology. Working with him, I got introduced and integrated into the cytokine community. I also feel lucky to know and learn from many experts and pioneers at the ICIS meetings.

**Please list your current and/or past participation in ICIS committees. Include committee membership, positions of leadership, speaking invitations, etc.**

Though I have not participated in any ICIS committee before, I look forward to opportunities to participate in service work for the ICIS scientific society, like Charles and many former members from our research group have done. Charles himself served as Councilor in 1993 and 1994, Vice President in 1995 and President in 1996 for the International Cytokine Society. I am ready to learn from former and current committee members to better serve the ICIS scientific society.

**List any other relevant qualifications for office, including any non-ICIS volunteer or other leadership activities. (Not a CV.)**

- As a student at medical school, I served on student council.
- As a faculty at University of Colorado School of Medicine, I have served on the medical school Admission Committee since 2021.
- I also served as a faculty judge for the annual Student Research Forum and Poster Presentations.
- I serve as Ad hoc Reviewer on scientific journals and grant review panels.