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Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH)

2026 Annual Meeting

Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health

Friday, December 4, 2026 | 8 a.m.–5 p.m. EST

Natcher Conference Center (Building 45), Ruth L. Kirschstein Auditorium

Join ORWH and its NIH institute and center partners at the BIRCWH Annual Meeting on Friday, December 4, 2026. This event will include the 9th Ruth L. Kirschstein Memorial Lecture and the 2026 Legacy of Leadership Lecture. The event will also feature an in-person poster hall highlighting BIRCWH Scholar abstracts. BIRCWH is an institutional mentored career-development program designed to connect junior faculty, known as BIRCWH Scholars, to senior faculty mentors with shared interest in women's health and sex differences research.

FEATURED SPEAKERS:



Susan Margulies, Ph.D.
Vice Provost for Research and Innovation
Vanderbilt University



Nancy E. Lane, M.D.
Distinguished Professor of Medicine and Rheumatology
U.C. Davis Health,
U.C. Davis School of Medicine

PODIUM SPEAKERS:



Catherine Demers, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
University of Colorado Anshutz



David J. Combs, M.D., Ph.D.
Instructor of Anesthesia
Mass General Brigham, Harvard Medical School



Courtney Woolsey, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
University of Texas Medical Branch

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