

Cytokinetics to Host Annual Symposium on Contemporary Landscapes in Muscle Biology (CLIMB)

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*Third Annual Muscle Biology-Focused Research Symposium
Highlighting Recent Innovations in the Field*

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., May 14, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cytokinetics, Incorporated (Nasdaq: CYTK) today announced that the Company will host the third annual Contemporary Landscapes in Muscle Biology Research Symposium (CLIMB) on Friday, May 29, 2026 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Pacific Time. The event will be held at the Mission Bay Conference Center in San Francisco, CA.

Registration for the symposium is now open and available at no cost to attendees; however, capacity is limited. Interested parties must register online by May 22, 2026, at <https://climbsymposium.com/>.

"CLIMB has become an important forum for advancing dialogue and discovery in muscle biology," said Fady I. Malik, M.D., Ph.D., Cytokinetics' Executive Vice President of Research & Development. "As the science continues to evolve, we are proud to convene researchers and innovators whose work is deepening our understanding of the underlying mechanisms of muscle function and uncovering new frontiers in the field."

CLIMB is an annual one-day in-person research symposium bringing together scientists, researchers and emerging professionals to share innovative research in the field of muscle biology. The symposium seeks to foster collaboration, facilitate networking opportunities and promote interdisciplinary dialogue, with the ultimate goal of driving advancements in the biological understanding and emerging treatment of muscle-related diseases and disorders. CLIMB will feature distinguished expert speakers alongside poster presentations of novel research in the field of muscle biology. Presentations will focus on innovations in cardiac biology, skeletal muscle biology and emerging treatment modalities in muscle biology.

CLIMB 2026 will feature the following presentations:

Keynote:

- **Myosin: An Exquisite Nanomachine and the Power of Basic Research in Drug Discovery**
James A. Spudich, PhD
Co-Founder, Cytokinetics
Stanford University, School of Medicine, Department of Biochemistry

Session 1: Cardiac Biology

- **Chromatin Control of Cardiac Inflammation, Disease and Repair**
Michael Alexanian, PhD, Gladstone Institute, University of California, San Francisco
- **Energy Metabolism in Cardiomyopathy and Heart Failure**
Rong Tian, MD, PhD, Mitochondria & Metabolism Center, University of Washington
- **Immune-Mediated Cardiac Injury: From Checkpoints to Gene Therapies**
Javid Moslehi, MD, University of California, San Francisco

Session 2: Skeletal Muscle Biology

- **Harnessing the Regenerative Potential of Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Derived Skeletal Muscle Stem Cells**
April Pyle, PhD, University of California, Los Angeles
- **Modeling and Treating Disease by In Vivo Gene Editing with AAV-CRISPR**
Amy J. Wagers, PhD, Harvard University and Joslin Diabetes Center
- **Genetic Modifiers of Myopathies**
Elizabeth McNally, MD, PhD, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Session 3: Emerging Modalities to Treat Human Muscle Disease

- **Emerging Genetic Medicines for Cardiomyopathies**
Laura Lombardi, PhD, Tenaya Therapeutics
- **Unlocking the Broad Potential of RNA Medicines to Transform Human Health**
Erik Ingelsson, MD, PhD, Wave Life Sciences
- **Weight Loss and Muscle Preservation**
Siddique Abbasi, MD, MSc, Amgen

About Cytokinetics

Cytokinetics is a specialty cardiovascular biopharmaceutical company, building on its over 25 years of pioneering scientific innovations in muscle biology, and advancing a pipeline of potential new medicines for patients suffering from diseases of cardiac muscle dysfunction. Cytokinetics' MYQORZO[®] (*aficamten*) is a cardiac myosin inhibitor approved in the U.S., Europe and China for the treatment of adults with symptomatic obstructive hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (oHCM). Following positive topline results in ACACIA-HCM, a Phase 3 clinical trial of *aficamten* in patients with non-obstructive HCM (nHCM), the company is preparing to present the full results at an upcoming medical meeting and discuss them with the U.S. FDA and other regulatory authorities. Cytokinetics is also developing *omecamtiv mecarbil*, an investigational cardiac myosin activator for the potential treatment of patients with heart failure with severely reduced ejection fraction and *ulacamten*, an investigational cardiac myosin inhibitor for the potential treatment of heart failure with preserved ejection fraction,

while continuing pre-clinical research and development in muscle biology.

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