



2025
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*Research
Foundation
Annual
Ball*

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US TO TRANSFORM LIVES THROUGH RESEARCH.
SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025 | RADISSON BLU AQUA HOTEL | CHICAGO

Join us for an unforgettable evening at the 2025 GI Research Foundation Annual Ball. We will celebrate research dedicated to curing, treating, and preventing digestive diseases and the incredible generosity of our donors.

The Annual Ball will feature music from the Gold Coast Allstars, a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing, appearances by special honored guests, a mission-focused program, and a chance to connect with industry leaders and visionaries.

Your support is an opportunity to showcase your unwavering commitment to enhancing the lives of patients with digestive diseases.

We hope you will be a part of this extraordinary evening.



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JOSEPH B. KIRSNER AWARD

Yekaterina Chudnovsky

Joseph B. Kirsner, MD, PhD, was a renowned physician-scientist and educator who helped establish the University of Chicago Medicine as a worldwide authority in digestive diseases. The Joseph B. Kirsner Award recognizes those who have made a substantial commitment to impact and further the GI Research Foundation's mission.



The GI Research Foundation Board of Directors is honored to present Yekaterina “Katie” Chudnovsky with the 2025 Joseph B. Kirsner Award.

Katie joined the Board in 2013 and quickly made a significant impact on the Foundation. As the Board's first female president, she inspired and empowered those around her through her leadership. She played a key role in establishing the Annual Grant Cycle, which awards up to \$1 million in grants each year. Most recently, Katie has helped lead CA CURE, which awarded more than \$23 million to investigators and institutions across the country to make transformative advancements in gastrointestinal cancer treatment. Currently, she serves as the Board Chair, focusing on identifying research opportunities for potential funding.

**Our Shared Commitment to Improving Lives.
With Patients at the Heart of Everything We Do.**

*Dedicated to Innovation.
Support With Speed and Care.
Building Future Leaders.
Fostering Novel Ideas.*

DIAMOND SPONSORSHIP

\$100,000 INVESTMENT

Recognition

Save-the-Date (deadline 1/6/25)

Invitation (deadline 2/21/25)

Website with hyperlink

E-newsletter feature

Press Releases

At the Ball

Two (2) tables of 10 with premier seating

Twenty (20) tickets to the *Partners in Science* reception

Welcome Remarks at the Partners in Science Reception OR Main Event

Partners in Science Reception Signage (premier logo placement)

Exclusive recognition in program slide deck

Ball Program (verbal and digital recognition)

Event Signage (premier logo placement)

Program Book (full-page ad, deadline 4/25/25)

Logo placement on cocktail napkins





PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP

\$75,000 INVESTMENT

Recognition

Save-the-Date (deadline 1/6/25)

Invitation (deadline 2/21/25)

Website with hyperlink

E-newsletter feature

Press Releases

At the Ball

Two (2) tables of 10 with premier seating

Twenty (20) tickets to the *Partners in Science* reception

Welcome Remarks at the Partners in Science Reception OR Main Event

Partners in Science Reception Signage (premier logo placement)

Exclusive recognition in program slide deck

Ball Program (verbal and digital recognition)

Event Signage (premier logo placement)

Program Book (full-page ad, deadline 4/25/25)





GOLD SPONSORSHIP

\$50,000 INVESTMENT

Recognition

Save-the-Date (deadline 1/6/25)
Invitation (deadline 2/21/25)
Website with hyperlink
E-newsletter feature
Press Releases

At the Ball

One (1) table of 10 with premier seating
Ten (10) tickets to the *Partners in Science* reception
Exclusive recognition in program slide deck
Ball Program (verbal and digital recognition)
Event Signage (premier logo placement)
Program Book (full-page ad, deadline 4/25/25)





SILVER SPONSORSHIP

\$25,000 INVESTMENT

Recognition

Save-the-Date (deadline 1/6/25)

Invitation (deadline 2/21/25)

Website

E-newsletter feature

Press Releases

At the Ball

One (1) table of 10 with premier seating

Ten (10) tickets to the *Partners in Science* reception

Ball Program (digital recognition)

Event Signage (premier logo placement)

Program Book (full-page ad, deadline 4/25/25)





BRONZE SPONSORSHIP

\$15,000 INVESTMENT

Recognition

Save-the-Date (deadline 1/6/25)

Invitation (deadline 2/21/25)

Website

E-newsletter feature

Press Releases

At the Ball

One (1) table of 10 with premier seating

Ball Program (digital recognition)

Event Signage (premier logo placement)

Program Book (full-page ad, deadline 4/25/25)





SPONSORSHIP

\$10,000 INVESTMENT

Recognition

Save-the-Date (deadline 1/6/25)

Invitation (deadline 2/21/25)

Website

E-newsletter feature

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At the Ball

One (1) table of 10 with premier seating

Ball Program (digital recognition)

Event Signage (premier logo placement)

Program Book (full-page ad, deadline 4/25/25)



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