

Pathways to Progress: The Inaugural Clinical Trials Innovation Summit

**UNITING VISION, SCIENCE, AND PARTNERSHIP
TO ACCELERATE KIDNEY CURES**

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The **2026 ISGD Clinical Trials Innovation Summit** will serve as a global hub for clinical trialists, nephrologists, and other stakeholders committed to transforming the future of kidney disease research. Convening world-renowned keynote speakers and innovative collaborative formats, the Summit is designed to accelerate innovation, catalyze collaboration, and design solutions to the key challenges of clinical trials in glomerular diseases and beyond.

This inaugural Clinical Trials Innovation Summit will spotlight the most pressing challenges in clinical trial design, patient stratification, new drug target identification, and regulatory endpoints. Featuring a thoughtfully curated program with panel discussions, speed networking, and interactive workshops, attendees will benefit from practical training sessions, robust participation opportunities for emerging investigators, and focused cross-stakeholder breakout groups. The Summit organizers aim to produce not only a meaningful and informative experience, but a roadmap for improved clinical trials to be published as a product of the meeting. The conference design emphasizes inclusivity, balancing academic, industry, regulatory, and patient advocacy perspectives to ensure actionable solutions for diverse and global kidney patient populations.

Hosted by the International Society of Glomerular Disease (ISGD) in partnership with the renowned nephrology and clinical trials leadership team of the University of Texas Medical Branch, the Clinical Trials Innovation Summit delivers an expertly curated platform that fuses scientific rigor, operational excellence, and hands-on engagement for industry partners. ISGD's recent stewardship of the acclaimed 15th International Podocyte Conference, praised by faculty and attendees for its seamless integration of basic, translational, and clinical content, robust industry sponsorship coordination, and unparalleled community building, is a direct template for the Clinical Trials Innovation Summit. The Podocyte Conference's sold-out attendance, sophisticated logistics, and highly rated science underscore ISGD's ability to convene world leaders, innovate session formats, and maximize value for sponsors and attendees.

As demonstrated in ISGD's professionalization and strategic scaling of the International Podocyte Conference, you can expect exceptional return on investment, organizational reliability, and unmatched access to global trialists and KOLs at the 2026 Clinical Trials Innovation Summit.

Join us in shaping the future of kidney clinical trials—your partnership will enable the Summit to deliver unique networking, professional development, and educational opportunities, while directly supporting the transformation of breakthrough science into improved patient outcomes.

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Available sponsorship packages	Diamond \$75,000+	Platinum \$60,000	Gold \$45,000	Silver \$30,000	Bronze \$20,000
Recognition on conference website, program, and signage	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Verbal acknowledgement during opening reception and presentation	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Full complimentary registrations	7	5	5	3	1
Discount on additional registrations	60%	50%	25%	10%	
Participant Dinner complimentary tickets	7	5	5	3	1
Exhibit table	Zone 1 (with choice of location)		Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3
Interactive online booth (for remote attendees)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Inserts in conference tote bag	3	3	2	1	
Participation in invite-only academia/industry KOL roundtable meeting	✓	✓	✓		
Private breakout room onsite	✓	✓			
Opted-in attendee list	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3 scholarships will be provided to young investigators in your name	✓	✓			

* Individual industry registrations are available for \$2,500 and include admission to all sessions as well as the participant dinner.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ Sponsor Time to TRAIN Clinical Trialist Training Bootcamp for Early Career Investigators: **\$10,000**
- ▶ Underwrite a specific session at the main conference: **\$8,000**
- ▶ Sponsor registration for a clinical trial coordinator: **\$1,000**
- ▶ Sponsor WiFi (1 available): **\$4,000**



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