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## Jessica Gold, MD, PhD, from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), Receives the 2019-2020 Sanofi Genzyme/ACMG Foundation Next Generation Fellowship Award

**BETHESDA, MD – April 3, 2019** Jessica Gold, MD, PhD, from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, was recognized for her work in Medical Biochemical Genetics and was honored as the recipient of the **Sanofi Genzyme Award** presented by the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine during the 2019 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting in Seattle, WA.

The mission of the Sanofi Genzyme/ACMG Foundation Award is to support training programs that advance genetics education, research and standards of practice in medical genetics, to develop and expand clinical and laboratory expertise in medical genetics, and to initiate and develop a broad-based infrastructure for industry funding of high-quality projects in the fields of medical genetics. The award grants \$75,000 per year to the recipient's institution selected by the ACMG Foundation through a competitive process and will provide for the sponsorship of one year of the trainees' clinical genetics subspecialty training in biochemical genetics following residency.

The awardee will have the opportunity to participate in an in-depth clinical and research experience at a premier medical center with expertise and significant clinical volume in the area of biochemical genetics.

Dr. Jessica Gold is currently completing her first year as a Clinical and Biochemical Genetics Fellow at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She received her MD/PhD from Thomas Jefferson University. Dr. Gold completed a combined Internal Medicine-Pediatrics Residency at the University of Chicago, where she was chief resident. Her research has focused on healthcare transition for adolescents and young adults with chronic disease and care of adults with developmental disabilities. During her fellowship, Dr. Gold plans on creating novel healthcare transition education and guidelines for young adults with inborn errors of metabolism.

"I am honored to be receiving the Sanofi Genzyme Medical Biochemical Subspecialty Fellowship award which will allow me to pursue biochemical genetics training with the incredible team at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. This award will give me the opportunity to focus on the care of adolescents and young adults with inborn errors of metabolism with the hopes of optimizing their transition to adult healthcare," said Dr. Gold upon receiving the award.

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"We are grateful for the continuing support of Sanofi Genzyme to this program in training of biochemical geneticists. There is a great need to increase the workforce in this area, particularly given new opportunities to offer treatment to our patients," said Bruce R. Korf, MD, PhD, FACMG, president of the ACMG Foundation.

The ACMG Foundation is honored to have Sanofi Genzyme as a member of its Corporate Partners Program. For more information about the Corporate Partners Program and other ways to support the work of the ACMG Foundation, please visit <u>www.acmgfoundation.org</u>.

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