

On May 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, I presented my research on human lung airway simulations at the 89th Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA) Annual Scientific Meeting in Dallas, TX. I was able to meet many talented physicians, scientists, and engineers including two astronauts and Professor Emeritus Dr. Lawrence Young from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who is the committee chair for the Harvard-MIT and University of Colorado-Denver/Boulder Bioastronautics MD/PhD programs. Jeff Chancellor, who I sat next to at the AsMA Honors Appreciation Dinner, was recognized for his research on interactions between astronauts and radiation. Jeff introduced me to many physician-scientists, and one would like to initiate conversation about future research-grad opportunities in his lab. This conference experience served as a source of inspiration that my trajectory as a future scientist and physician in the Aerospace Medical field has yet to falter, and I am excited to see where my passions may take me.

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