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Supporting the Future of Cardiovascular Ultrasound

In an era of dwindling government research funding and support for research fellowships, the ASE Foundation plays a crucial role in advancing our field by investing in both scientific discovery and the careers of investigators. It is imperative that investigators have dedicated time, funding, and support to further their research. When you allocate your donation to the Foundation's Research initiative, your contribution supports investigators like Dr. Hema Krishna, from University of Illinois College of Medicine.

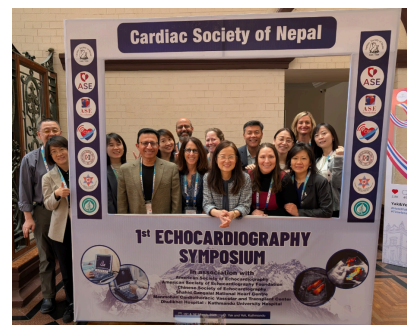
"Receiving the Pamela S. Douglas Research Scholar Award was critical to my trajectory as a researcher. Since receiving this funding from the ASE Foundation, I have been awarded an American Heart Association Career Development Award, selected for the Clinical Leaders and Academic Scholars Fellowship, Research Leadership track at University of Illinois College of Medicine, and received two internal pilot grants to further my echo artificial intelligence work. The support of ASE and the Foundation make such a difference for early career echo investigators as they get their research legs under them!" **Hema Krishna, MD, FASE**



The Foundation continues to strive to be a difference maker in the professional lives of researchers, like Dr. Krishna. We offer [research grants](#) and create opportunities to interact with global experts in cardiovascular ultrasound, building relationships that lead to future research and professional collaborations. Applications for the [Early-Career Development Grants for Echo Scientists \(EDGES\)](#) are **now open** through July 1, 2026. The 2026 recipient of the [Pamela S. Douglas Research Scholar Award](#) will be announced later this year.

Thank You, Team Nepal!

In March, a team of ASEF volunteers traveled to Nepal to collaborate with the **Cardiac Society of Nepal (CSN)**, the **Chinese Society of Echocardiography**, and **Dhulikhel Hospital**. The team worked together to host the CSN's *First Echocardiography Symposium*, a two-day educational conference in Kathmandu for over 150 attendees. They then traveled to Dolakha and Dhulikhel for three days of cardiac screening for over 1,370 primary school students.



Thank you to our amazing team, led by **Dr. Cynthia Taub**, **Dr. Jivan Lamichhane**, **Dr. Dipanker Prajapati**, **Dr. Biraj Karmacharya**, **Dr. Lixue Yin**, and to our Partner in Care **Philips**. Stay tuned for future updates and reports from the team on ASEFoundation.org and in ASE's [Echo magazine](#).



Announcements

Call for Volunteers: Argentina 2026 Global Health Outreach Event

The ASE Foundation is now accepting volunteer applications for its global health event in Argentina this fall. Volunteers must be able to fully devote eight working days in country for this event, plus additional days for international travel to and from Argentina. Physician and sonographer team members are needed. Additional information including the event dates and specific requirements can be found online [here](#). Apply by **April 30, 2026 at 11:59 PM ET**.



17th Annual Research Awards Gala – LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE

Saturday, June 27, 2026, 6:30 – 11:00 PM

The ASE Foundation's premiere fundraising event, the annual Research Awards Gala, is almost sold out. [Get your ticket before it's too late!](#) The Gala will be held Saturday, June 27 from 6:30 – 11:00 PM at [ASE's Scientific Sessions](#) in Colorado. There will be a cocktail reception, followed by dinner, award recognitions, after-event dancing, and night cap! A portion of each table or ticket sale is considered a charitable donation to the ASE Foundation's 2026 Annual Appeal. More details are available [here](#).



Research Funding Available

2026 Early-Career Development Grants for Echo Scientists (EDGES)

Application Deadline: July 1

The [Early-Career Development Grant for Echo Scientists \(EDGES\)](#) program awards **three grants** worth up to **\$25,000 USD** to fund projects that address a clinical gap in cardiovascular ultrasound imaging through research led by an early-career scientist. No specific research themes will be prioritized, and clinical gaps may include, but are not limited to new imaging technologies, novel approaches or populations for diagnostic imaging, ultrasound therapy, workflow automation, or patient/practitioner safety. Physicians, PhDs, veterinarians, sonographers, and other



healthcare professionals who are within seven years of having completed training are eligible to **apply through July 1, 2026, 5:00 PM ET**. Learn more [here](#).



It's not too early to start thinking about your 2026 charitable contributions. Learn about the numerous ways you can give to the ASE Foundation [here](#).

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