



# **Neurology Grand Rounds**

June 18, 2025

# R25 Projects



# Simon Gritsch, M.D., Ph.D.

Neurology resident, PGY 4, Mass General Brigham Post-doctoral Fellow in the Department of Pathology at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School

Response of IDH-mutant gliomas to mutant IDH inhibitors dissected by single-cell profiling

Dr. Simon Gritsch obtained his M.D. and Ph.D. from Heidelberg University, Germany. His Ph.D. research focused on mechanisms underlying central pain in animal models of multiple sclerosis. He completed a postdoctoral fellowship in the laboratory of Mario Suvà at the Department of Pathology and the Center for Cancer Research at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). He is currently a neurology resident at Mass General Brigham. During this time, he received an UE5 (formerly R25) NINDS research grant to continue his research under the mentorship of Mario Suvà.

Gritsch's research focuses on deploying single-cell RNA-sequencing technologies in human glioma samples to dissect the molecular determinants of response and resistance in highly treatment-resistant brain tumors to targeted therapies. His goal is to leverage this information to discover new tumor vulnerabilities and dependencies, ultimately enabling the development of novel, rational treatment modalities and biomarkers.



Peter N. Hadar, M.D., MS
Instructor, Harvard Medical School
Attending, Epilepsy Division, Department of
Neurology, Massachusetts General Hospital

Mapping the Structural and Functional Networks of Temporal Lobe Epilepsy

Dr. Peter Hadar is a clinician-scientist focused on using neuroimaging and neurostimulation to better understand and treat epilepsy. He graduated from Harvard College, University of Pennsylvania Medical School, University of Pennsylvania Neurology Residency, and MGH Epilepsy fellowship. Through the approaches developed in his R25/UE5 and recent AAN/ABF/AES/EFA Susan Spencer Award, he aims to create personalized and methodical approaches to neurostimulation treatments in epilepsy, ultimately with virtual neurostimulation models.



Yedda Li, M.D., Ph.D.

Massachusetts General Hospital

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Neurogenetics and Gene Therapy Fellow, PGY-5

Precision Genome Editing for Microgliopathies

Yedda Li, M.D., Ph.D. is a fellow in the neurogenetics and gene therapy program at Mass General Brigham, where she works under the mentorship of Dr. Florian Eichler and Dr. Benjamin Kleinstiver on genome editing strategies for neurogenetic disorders. She is the recipient of UE5 funding from the NINDS and the SPARK award from the MGB Gene and Cell Therapy Institute for her work in genome editing. As an adult neurogeneticist, Dr. Li will serve the rapidly growing number of adult patients with neurometabolic disorders. Further, she hopes to run a lab to design effective gene-based and mechanism-targeted therapeutic strategies that can address the overwhelming and urgent need in this vulnerable patient population.

Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2025

**Time**: 12:00-1:00 PM

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