The Harvard MD PhD Meet the Investigator series was started in response to students’ desires to engage in candid conversations with medical scientists about the broad range of joys and challenges in their careers. The seminars serve as a space to discuss our invited speakers’ personal stories of how their science is done. The seminars are sponsored by the Harvard MD PhD Program and its first year students.
Meet the Investigator

Dr. Hafler is the Breakstone Professor of Neurology at Harvard Medical School. His laboratory studies the basic understanding of human autoimmune and infectious diseases.

Dr. Chen is Assistant Professor of Neurology at Harvard Medical School, and studies neurological disorders that result from aberrant synaptic connections. Dr. Finley is Professor of Cell Biology at Harvard Medical School, and studies the ubiquitin-protease system. Dr. Finley and Dr. Chen are married, and will lead the session together.

Dr. Kirchhausen is Professor of Cell Biology at Harvard Medical School. His work focuses on the processes that mediate and regulate the movement of membrane proteins throughout cells.

Dr. Pellman is Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School and a Ted Williams Senior Investigator at Dana Farber Cancer Institute. His laboratory uses a combination of genetics, biochemistry and live-cell imaging to study cell division and the maintenance of genome stability.

Dr. Altshuler is Assistant Professor of Molecular Genetics at Harvard Medical School and a founding member of the Broad Institute. His lab focuses on genetic causes of common diseases.

Dr. Seidman is Professor of Medicine and Genetics at Harvard Medical School and an Investigator at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. She studies the genetics of human disease, focusing on genes that increase cardiovascular disease risk.

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The Folin Wu Room is on the first floor of Building C on the Harvard Medical School Quadrangle.