A SYLVAN M. COHEN ANNUAL RETREAT AND POSTER SESSION

Hosted by the Institute on Aging and PennAlTech



Aging Reimagined: Innovation in the Era of Al



November 21, 2025 | Smilow Center, University of Pennsylvania | 8:30am - 4:30pm



AGENDA

8:30am Breakfast

9:00am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:30am Keynote Lecture

Redrawing the Boundaries of Innovation: Making Al Work in Real Life

Amanda Lazar, PhD University of Maryland

10:30am Break

10:40am Presentation Panel and Discussion

Supporting Caregivers of Persons Living with Dementia at Home: Lessons Learned from

the Aliviado Caregiving Feasibility Study Ab Brody, PhD, RN, FAAN, New York University

Personal Determinants of Health Enhanced Machine Learning Models for Early Prediction

of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias

Aidong Zhang, PhD, University of Virginia

Bridging Technology and Care: Al Innovations in Non-Invasive Diabetes Monitoring for

Older Adults

Maria Valero, PhD, Kennesaw State University

Group Discussion/Q&A

12:00pm Lunch and Poster Viewing

1:00pm TissueLab: A co-evolving agentic AI system for medical image analysis

Zhi Huang, PhD, University of Pennsylvania

1:20pm High frequency cognitive testing in Alzheimer's Disease to detect disease progression

Daniel Z. Press, MD, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

1:40pm Accessible motor function assessment for MCI, fall risk, and frailty

Trent Guess, PhD, University of Missouri

2:00pm Panel by PennAlTech Awardees

Al-based Diagnostic Decision Support in Primary Care for Older Adults

Gary Weissman, MD, MSHP, University of Pennsylvania

Reading Between the Lines: The Promise and Pitfalls of Using AI to Detect Caregiver

Burden

Nancy Hodgson, PhD, RN, FAAN, University of Pennsylvania

Using machine learning to develop a representative genetic-distance corrected

epigenetic clock for understanding disparities in aging and AD/ADRD

Rory Boyle, PhD, University of Pennsylvania

Discrimination of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias from Similar-Aged Controls

Using Cogwear EEG Wearable

David Yonce, Cogwear

3:30pm Break

3:45pm Poster Session

4:30pm Poster Award Announcements

SPEAKERS



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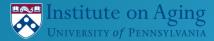


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