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## What is The Liver Meeting? Why Does It Matter?

Every year, the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) holds [\*\*The Liver Meeting\*\*](#), which attracts more than 9,500 hepatologists and other health professionals from around the world to discuss the most recent developments in the study and treatment of liver diseases. This year, The Liver Meeting will take place from November 11-15 in Boston.

For the fifth year in a row, PSC Partners will staff a booth at The Liver Meeting, and will have a booth to engage medical professionals in meaningful conversations about PSC. We cannot stress enough the benefit of meeting face-to-face with the world's top hepatologists, physicians, researchers, and industry representatives to discuss our current activities and research projects. Some of our most productive collaborations began through contact at The Liver Meeting, and we value the opportunity to continue to foster these relationships as we forge new ones.

Keep reading for more information about our participation at The Liver Meeting.



PSC Partners' Booth at The Liver Meeting 2015

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## Announcing the 2016 PSC Partners Seeking a Cure AASLD Award: Emina Halilbasic, MD

Since 2007, PSC Partners has funded an annual award of \$3,000 to the investigator presenting the most promising PSC research at The Liver Meeting.

This year's award recipient is Dr. Emina Halilbasic, MD of the Medical University of Vienna, Austria. [Click here](#) to view the abstract of the study, entitled ***nor*Ursodeoxycholic acid (*nor*UDCA) improves cholestasis in primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC) independent of ursodeoxycholic acid (UDCA) pre-treatment and response.**

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## PSC Partners Issues Press Release About PSC and PBC Educational Campaign at AASLD

In recent months, PSC Partners has stressed the importance of awareness and education about the differences between Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis and Primary Biliary Cholangitis. We will issue a press release before the start of The Liver Meeting to draw attention to this important conversation. To see the press release, [click here](#).

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## Heather Francis, PhD, Recipient of the 2015

# AASLD President's Award, Speaks About Her Experience as a PSC Partners Grant Awardee



Recently, an [article entitled "Common Asthma Drug Could Prevent Liver Disease and Reduce the Need for Liver Transplants"](#) caught our attention. This study was featured in the Baylor Hospital Newsletter. Heather Francis, PhD, Principal Investigator of this study and her team have actively been working on PSC and were awarded... [\[read more\]](#)

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