## Center for Dermal Research Innovations in Dermatological Sciences Conference 2024



**Dr. Michael Girardi**Plenary Speaker

Dr. Michael Girardi is the endowed Evans Professor and Vice Chair of Faculty Development & Scientific Innovation for the Department of Dermatology at the Yale School of Medicine. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Brown University with a dual degree in Biology and Computer Science, and the Honors Thesis Award along with an MD from the Yale School of Medicine, and is the recipient of many awards including the Yale Blavatnik Award in Innovation and induction into to the American

Association of Professors, American Society of Clinical Investigation and the Association of American Physicians. As a physician-scientist, Dr. Girardi's research program has advanced our understanding of cutaneous carcinogenesis, cutaneous immunology., and cutaneous lymphoma, His work, featured in journals such as *Science, Nature, Nature Immunology, Nature Genetics, Nature Biomaterials, Nature Communications* and *PNAS*, has resulted in hundreds of papers with over 11,300 total citations. The holder of seven biomedical patents, plus four more pending, Dr. Girardi is dedicated to translating scientific discoveries into tangible applications. His global impact is evident in leadership roles on the Research Leadership Council for Advancing Innovation in Dermatology, the United States Cutaneous Lymphoma Consortium, and the International Society of Cutaneous Lymphoma. Dr. Girardi's influence extends beyond research to mentorship, where he has guided over 50 pre-doctoral and post-doctoral research fellows, many of whom have become academic leaders in dermatology. Dr. Girardi's commitment to mentorship is further reflected in his role as Co-Director of the Yale Dermatology T32 physician-scientist training grant.