NNR Welcomes Three Early Career Editorial Program Members

Through our premier peer-reviewed journal *Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair (NNR)*, ASNR shares new findings from researchers across the globe. We are excited to announce that three ASNR Members have been selected to join the editorial board of *NNR* in our new Early Career Editorial Program. Dr. Sam Nemanich, Assistant Professor at Marquette University, Dr. Daniele Piscitelli, Assistant Professor at University of Connecticut, and Dr. Natalia Sánchez, Assistant Professor at Chapman University will begin their three-year term on the *NNR* Editorial Board in November.

The *NNR* Early Career Editorial Program was developed with the goals of providing emerging neurorehabilitation clinicians and scientists with insight into the editorial board process for academic journals, as well as helping advance their careers through opportunities to work directly with other *NNR* journal editors who are established experts in the field.

In the first year of the program, Drs. Nemanich, Piscitelli, and Sánchez will develop their reviewer skills by reviewing submitted manuscripts, receiving critiques of their reviews, and attending meetings with the Editor-in-Chief and other *NNR* editors. They will also participate in regular editorial board meetings, maintain their ASNR membership, and submit their own manuscripts for consideration in the journal. In the next year of the program, they will continue to gain experience and advance their skills as editors through these same activities while also beginning to screen papers and oversee reviews. In the final year of the program, Drs. Nemanich, Piscitelli, and Sánchez will make the transition to become regular members of the *NNR* Editorial Board.

When Dr. Nemanich saw the announcement about the Early Career Editorial Program he was eager to apply to work toward his long-term career goal of contributing to and improving the peer review process through a role as a journal editor. "I'm looking forward to joining an exceptional group of colleagues on the *NNR* Editorial Board. The peer review and editorial process is critical for disseminating high-quality scientific research in the field of neurorehabilitation, and having a chance to receive mentorship in this process as an early career scientist is very exciting," he remarked.





Dr. Piscitelli was interested in joining the *NNR* Editorial Board to have the opportunity to deeply understand the editorial process and gain valuable insights into shaping the trajectory of impactful research. "I consider *NNR* as a beacon to follow in the research and clinical world. As an early-career researcher, being part of the *NNR* Editorial Board is an honor and a tremendous opportunity to learn from other Board Members," noted Dr. Piscitelli.

Dr. Sánchez also applied to the Program to take advantage of the many benefits it offers. "These kinds of editorial opportunities are rarely available for early-career scientists, and I am thrilled to have the chance to participate in the mentored training program, as well as to continue contributing to the Editorial Board as a regular member after the Early Career Editorial Program concludes. I am committed to contributing to high-quality and rigorous research in the field of neurorehabilitation as an author, researcher, and reviewer. I am also excited to work side by side with researchers who are pioneers in the world or neurorehabilitation that make up the *NNR* editorial board," she explained.



ASNR and the *NNR* team are delighted to welcome Drs. Nemanich, Piscitelli, and Sánchez to the *NNR* Editorial Board. Through this program and a variety of other initiatives and resources, ASNR is working to train the next generation of neurorehabilitation scientists, clinicians, and other professionals and to support them throughout all stages of their careers.