

AAAAI Foundation and Bettina C. Hilman, MD Lectureship



Dr. Bettina Hilman is an international expert and researcher in cystic fibrosis and was the Director of Shreveport Cystic Fibrosis Center. Dr. Hilman earned her Doctor of Medicine degree at Louisiana State University School of Medicine. She completed a residency in pediatrics at Charity Hospital in 1958, a fellowship in allergy and clinical immunology from Charity Hospital in 1963 and a fellowship in pediatric pulmonology from Tulane Medical Center in 1966.

Dr. Hilman went on to become Professor of Pediatrics and Training Program Director at LSU Shreveport from 1973 to 2001. Among her numerous professional achievements, she earned the Distinguished Service Award from the Louisiana Allergy Society in 1998, the

Jerome Glaser Award for Distinguished Service by the American Board of Pediatrics in 1999 and was named a Best Doctor in America in 2002 by Pediatric Specialists. Dr. Hilman is the author of *Pediatric Respiratory Disease: Diagnosis and Treatment* a comprehensive text covering all aspects of pediatric medicine, and also served as the Editor-in-Chief of *Pediatric Asthma, Allergy, and Immunology*.

In 1986, The Hilman House, a home-away-from-home for cystic fibrosis patients and their families undergoing treatment, was named in honor of Dr. Hilman. For over 30 years, it has served more than 110 families of Cystic Fibrosis patients from north and central Louisiana and east Texas, giving those eligible a place to stay and at times even serving as a hospital for those who didn't have insurance.

It is with great pleasure that the AAAAI Foundation announces this new lectureship that will honor a true pioneer in the field of pediatric allergy, whose contributions have profoundly impacted so many lives. Dr. Hilman's Lectureship was established in 2017.

The Bettina C. Hilman, MD Lectureship will be presented in Plenary 1601: SARS-CoV2 Vaccine Development and Testing by Emmie De Wit, Animal Models for SARS-CoV2 Vaccine Development on Friday, February 26 at 1:10 pm to 2:40 pm.

