

Spring 2010 Lecture Series

Institute for the Study of "Race" and Social Justice Presents:

Scientific Advantages of Studying Racially "Admixed" Populations: Lessons from the Genetics of Asthma in Latino Americans Study



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Esteban González Burchard received his M.D. degree from Stanford University School of Medicine in 1995. He completed clinical training in internal medicine at Harvard's Brigham and Women's Hospital and Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine training at UCSF. Dr. González Burchard also completed clinical research training at the Harvard School of Public Health. He received his M.P.H. degree in epidemiology from UC Berkeley.

Dr. Burchard will:

- Discuss how genetic ancestry influences risk of disease and response to drug therapies.
- Demonstrate that there are population-specific differences in genetic factors which are associated with asthma and drug response.
- Demonstrate that locus-specific ancestry influences risk of asthma.

The results of his research suggest that differences in the distribution of genetic risk factors, which are associated with ancestry, may, in part, explain differences in the burden of asthma and variation in drug response.

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