



# NEWSLETTER

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## President's Letter

**Robin Lorenz**

Dear ACLPS Members:

It has been a busy year for ACLPS since I took over as President in June 2013. Our 48<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, Lab Medicine 2013, was held in Atlanta, GA and was hosted by Emory University School of Medicine. This year we had 196 meeting registrants and the meeting had a focus on the role of laboratory medicine in global health and highlighted some of the cutting-edge research from Emory University, as well as the nearby Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Cotlove Award Lecture, following this theme, was titled "Communicable Chronic Disease, and was presented by Dr. Jeffrey Koplan, Director of the Emory Global Health Institute. The Ellis Benson Award Lecture was presented on Saturday morning by Dr. Andrew Hoofnagle from the University of Washington on the use of mass spectroscopy in laboratory medicine. Friday morning, as always, was devoted to the young investigator's program with oral presentations by sixty residents and fellows and poster presentations by an additional 28 trainees. Our Friday night banquet was held at the World of Coca-Cola in downtown Atlanta and was enjoyed by

everyone in attendance. I want to take this opportunity to thank the local hosts, Jim Ritchie, Tristram Parslow, and the rest of the local organizing committee for their many hours of work that it took to plan this meeting. The local hosts perform myriad tasks; they design most of the scientific program, invite speakers, negotiate with hotels, and choose local landmarks for the reception and banquet. On top of all that they are responsible for fund raising and insuring that the annual meeting is a self-supporting endeavor. The Program and Finance Committee, along with next year's local hosts, Enrique Terrazas and Alan Wu, have been working hard on Lab Medicine 2014. Details can be found later in this Newsletter and I am looking forward to seeing everyone in San Francisco in May.

One of the topics that the ACLPS Executive Council has been discussing this year are the benefits of ACLPS membership. One clear benefit is attendance at our annual ACLPS meeting. Last year's president, Eric Spitzer aptly described what is so special about the annual ACLPS meeting. First, it is a manageable scale where one can easily renew friendships with colleagues from many institutions. Second, it serves as an

important showcase for residents and fellows, the majority of whom get the opportunity to give oral presentations and interact with specialists in their field. Third, the program provides a unique blend of talks on basic research, translational research, and clinical practice that covers all areas of laboratory medicine. In addition, all members receive online access to our official journal – The American Journal of Clinical Pathology. Members also can sponsor trainees and fellows for the Paul E. Strandjord Young Investigator Award Program, are eligible to serve on ACLPS committees, and are also eligible to be nominated for ACLPS awards and to serve as ACLPS representatives to other Pathology Societies and Organizations.

It is this last benefit that has been a focus of the ACLPS executive council this year. It is these ACLPS representatives that allow our relatively small organization to make a significant impact on the field of pathology. Our representative to the American Board of Pathology (ABP) has been Ed Ashwood from the University of Utah. Ed attended the annual meeting of the Cooperating Societies of the ABP and reported back on several agenda items of interest to ACLPS members. First, the ACGME and the residency review committees are moving from episodic accreditation every five to ten years to continuous annual accreditation. The new milestones project

<http://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/PathologyMilestones.pdf>

will permit review of residencies in an ongoing fashion. Milestones are specific behaviors, attributes, or outcomes in five general competency domains. We will have a session devoted to the new milestones project at Lab Medicine 2014. Second, the ABP, in association with the American Board of Preventive Medicine (ABPM) was

granted a subspecialty board in Clinical Informatics. For the first five years, any board certified physician who can demonstrate that 25% of their practice is clinical informatics can take the exam. There has been extensive discussion regarding whether Clinical Informatics fellowships should be one or two years. In September 2013, ACLPS, on behalf of its membership, submitted a letter to the Trustees of the ABPM favoring a one-year ACGME approved fellowship for qualification for board certification. A third point of discussion was exam security. The ABP considers use of collections of recalled questions cheating and unethical and unprofessional behavior. The honor code statement has been revised to indicate that collections of recalled questions should not be generated and ACLPS members who teach residents should remind their trainees of this new ABP honor code. Fourth, ACLPS has been extensively involved in advocating for a discussion about the creation of a physician-scientist residency pathway by the ABP. In October 2013, ACLPS was one of many Pathology societies that submitted a letter to the ABP endorsing an exploration of the formation of a physician-scientist residency pathway. The ABP has indicated that this will be a topic for discussion at this summer retreat. Finally, the retirement of ABP trustee, David Keren in January 2014 created a trustee vacancy. The board sought nominations from each of the cooperating societies and ACLPS nominated Ed Ashwood for this position. We are proud to announce that Ed was selected and will begin as a ABP trustee in January 2014. We want to congratulate Ed on this accomplishment and thank him for his many years of service as the ACLPS representative to the ABP. We will be appointing a new ACLPS member as our ABP representative in the near future.

Jonathan Genzen serves as our ACLPS representative to ASCP/RISE and to the Intersociety Council for Pathology Information (ICPI). The RISE committee met in November 2013. Of note, the new RISE Committee Chair is ACLPS member Karen Frank (and the previous Chair was also an ACLPS member, Harvey Rinder). Along with this Committee Leadership, ACLPS members continue to be active in contributing questions for the RISE exam. One new initiative of RISE is the creation of a “RISE ONE” examination. This exam is intended to measure baseline pathology knowledge of incoming residents immediately upon starting residency training. That exam is expected to be available in 2014.

Our membership in ICPI allows our trainee members to apply for travel awards to attend Lab Medicine 2014. Please see details later in this newsletter and encourage your trainees to apply.

The Pathology Roundtable was established in 2012 as a regular “roundtable” meeting of the key pathology organizations to coordinate around common issues. This roundtable included ASCP, ASASP, USCAP, CAP, ABP, ASIP, and ACLPS. The Roundtable was proposed as a timely and necessary entity that is likely to lead to tangible benefits for our profession. Given the uncertain course of evolution of our healthcare system, coordination of our efforts is needed to position our profession for success. Through regular, effective communications between the societies, the Roundtable will enable coordinated planning and actions as needed. The ACLPS President attends twice yearly meetings of the full group, which are being held in conjunction with existing pathology society meetings (APC and a second major meeting). There are also multiple phone

conferences, which address topics considered to be of high priority to our profession. The ACLPS President, Past—President, and President-Elect are all included in these conference calls. One topic that ACLPS has contributed to is the need to directly address the GME funding concerns and the role that laboratory medicine (and our residents) plays in patient care and medical decisions. A highly quoted statistic is that laboratory data has an impact on over 70% of medical decisions. However, Eric Spitzer, representing ACLPS, led the discussion regarding the lack of evidence for this number (Bertholf RL. In Science, As In Life, There Is No Substitute for Integrity. *Lab Medicine* 2012 43:3; Hallworth MJ. The '70% claim': what is the evidence base? *Ann Clin Biochem.* 2011 Nov;48(Pt 6):487-8). The Roundtable held a fact-to-face meeting at the Association of Pathology Chairs meeting in Boston in July 2013. At this meeting the physician-scientist residency track was extensively discussed (see above) as well as the rising concerns regarding the diminishing Pathology workforce. Other presentations of interest to ACLPS members included a talk by Mike Laposata regarding the limited exposure to laboratory medicine in most medical school curriculums (on average only 9 hours of training vs 60-300 hours for anatomic pathology). This is a issue that ACLPS needs to include in its focus in future years. In addition, there was discussion regarding the use of social media to increase student motivation to learn and to further the understanding of pathology in patient care. This is also an area that ACLPS plans on exploring in order to increase our impact and exposure.

The idea of a strategic planning meeting to discuss the Pathology Workforce was originally discussed by the Pathology Roundtable at the APC meeting in the

summer of 2013. The Objectives of such a meeting were to 1) generate and then discuss a set of propositions that articulated the workforce issues affecting pathology and laboratory medicine; 2) identify specific actions and shared opportunities to advance workforce issues affecting both pathology and laboratory medicine (i.e. recommendations); and 3) agree on next steps. Subsequently the Pathology Workforce Summit was organized and held at the Four Seasons Hotel in Washington DC on Tuesday, December 3, 2013. Representatives of 24 national professional organizations, representing pathology and medical education, met and developed a plan of action for how the pathology and laboratory medicine workforce of the future can best meet patient needs. Prior to the summit, a set of draft propositions and proposed recommendations were circulated. The ACLPS leadership (President, Past-President, and President-Elect) submitted comments on these propositions and recommendations. The conference was designed to enable participants to develop and articulate a common understanding and set of priorities on workforce issues affecting the ability of pathology and laboratory medicine to provide optimal patient care, focusing on actions in three main areas: (1) re-assessing what every pathologist needs to know and identifying

new ways to ensure that adequate numbers of pathologists acquire both general skills and sub-specialized expertise, especially in key emerging areas; (2) organizing pathology to attract and recruit highly-qualified medical and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) students into pathology and laboratory professions; and (3) re-evaluating long-term training expectations and practice roles for all members of the laboratory workforce, in light of emerging technologies and evolving healthcare delivery models.

It is clear from this meeting that ACLPS is poised to help pathology formulate the vision of the clinical laboratory of the future and then help shape training and goals to help laboratory medicine professionals be a critical component of this vision. In the next few months, we will be sending out a survey to our members to get input on the future of ACLPS. We would like to get more of our members actively involved, including our resident and fellow Associate Members. Please be thinking of your vision for the future of laboratory medicine and then respond to the survey to let us know that vision and how you would like to help shape our future. I look forward to sharing this vision with everyone at Lab Medicine 2014 in San Francisco.

# ACLPS ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2013

Decatur, Georgia

Submitted by David G. Grenache

Secretary, Treasurer

- I. The meeting was called to order at 11:50am.
- II. The minutes from the June 2, 2012 annual business meeting were approved.
- III. Report from the Executive Council (Eric Spitzer)  
Dr. Spitzer recognized the efforts of the 2013 annual meeting organizing committee. He indicated that ACLPS has joined the Pathology Roundtable which is focused on the challenges that face pathology (e.g. workforce issues, meaningful use, global issues, etc.). He noted that the ACLPS president attends the Association of Pathology Chairs meeting each year and that AJCP now lists the ACLPS president in its masthead and is invited to the annual editorial board meeting. He shared that ACLPS is co-sponsoring a symposium at the FOCIS meeting in June, 2013. Of note, ACLPS nominated Dr. Ed Ashwood to the ABP Board of Trustees and Dr. Ashwood was elected to this position. The academy congratulates Dr. Ashwood on this important role. Dr. Spitzer expressed his appreciation for serving as the academy's president with special recognition to Drs. Jonathan Miller, Robin Lorenz, and David Grenache for their assistance.
- IV. Report from Membership Committee (Petr Jarolim)  
Dr. Jarolim announced that over that last 12 months 67 membership applications were received and 66 were approved by the Executive Council. As of May 15, 2013 there were 291 active members, 90 associate members, 181 emeritus members, 5 honorary members, 80 known deceased members, and 922 inactive members. Inactive members are those who were once active or associate members but were lost to follow-up.
- V. Report from Program and Finance Committee (Robin Lorenz)  
Dr. Lorenz recognized the 2013 annual meeting organizing committee for their successful meeting and shared that 196 people had attended the meeting. She announced that the 2014 meeting would be held in San Francisco during the last week of May and that the 2015 meeting would be hosted by the University of Minnesota to honor the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ACLPS.
- VI. Report from the Education Committee (Jonathan Genzen)  
Dr. Genzen reported that the ACLPS-sponsored workshop at the 2012 ASCP meeting in Boston, MA was well attended and that an ACLPS-sponsored workshop at the 2013 ASCP meeting in Chicago, IL had been accepted. A workshop for the 2014 ASCP meeting is being developed. He reported that there are now 9 Pathology Consultation articles published in AJCP with two in press and two undergoing peer review. All of these articles have associated CME and can be used for SAM. These have been popular additions to AJCP given the number of times they have been accessed and/or downloaded and the frequency with which

they are published is increasing to bi-monthly. Dr. Genzen commented that RISE exam questions are often submitted by ACLPS members and requested that more questions submitted for the 2014 exam.

VII. Report from the Nomination and Awards Committee (Jonathan Miller)

Dr. Miller announced the candidates on the 2013 ACLPS ballot:

- Harv Rinder President-elect
- Jorge Sepulveda Executive Council Member-at-Large (2014-2016)
- Jerry Yeo Executive Council Member-at-Large (2014-2016)
- Alex McAdam Nominating and Awards Committee (2014-2016)
- Sandeep Gurbuxani Education Committee (2014-2016)
- Audrey Schuetz Education Committee (2014-2016)
- Chris Tormey Education Committee (2014-2016)

Nominations from the floor were requested but none were received and ballots were distributed to attendees.

VIII. Report from the Secretary-Treasurer (David Grenache)

Dr. Grenache reported that ACLPS was financially sound with total revenue of \$1,103,775. Balances as of May 24, 2012 were as follows:

- General fund: \$188,330 (includes \$38,000 earmarked for the Cotlove award)
  - YIAP fund: \$112,657
  - Ellis Benson fund: \$3,722
  - YIAP endowment: \$742,504
  - Ellis Benson endowment: \$56,562
- The annual audit has been completed

successfully.

IX. Report from the YIAP Director (Neal Lindeman)

Dr. Petr Jarolim gave the report due to Dr. Lindeman's excused absence. 88 abstracts were submitted (81 by trainees and 7 by faculty) and none were withdrawn. Abstracts were submitted from 32 different institutions. The host institution submitted 21 abstracts; 15 institutions submitted multiple abstracts (range 2-8); and 16 institutions submitted one abstract. Abstracts were scored from 1 (best) to 5 (worst). The range of scores was 1.41 to 4.15, with a mean of 2.99 and a median of 3.0. There was a tie for the top score, both from the same first author. Authors with multiple abstracts were only invited to present their highest scoring abstract in a platform session. Additional abstracts were presented as posters, regardless of their score.

X. Unfinished Business  
None

XI. General Business  
None

XII. Election Results  
The election results were announced and the individuals on the ballot were elected into office.

XIII. Installation of the New President  
Dr. Robin Lorenz was installed as the new president of ACLPS and announced that ACLPS would be working on developing a presence in social media and called for volunteers to become involved if they had an interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm

## **Lab Medicine 2013 Report on the 48th Annual ACLPS Meeting**

James Ritchie  
Local Host

More than 190 faculty and trainees from across the country attended the 48<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians and Scientists (ACLPS) hosted by the Emory University Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Department in early June. The two and one half day conference held in downtown Decatur focused on global health and featured speakers from the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory as well as from other institutions. There were 30 Paul E. Sandjord Young Investigator Award winners. There were 88 abstracts submitted of which 60 were given as oral presentations and 28 as posters.

The 2013 Cotlove Award was presented to Dr. Jeffrey P. Koplan MD, MPH who gave an insightful lecture on the current plague of communicable diseases which now include diabetes, heart disease, and lung cancer. Diseases usually not thought of as public health problems in the third world.

The 2013 Ellis Benson award was

given to Dr. Andrew N. Hoofnagle, MD, Ph.D. from the University of Washington School of Medicine. Dr. Hoofnagle's lecture was entitled: What can my mass spectrometer do for me? His lecture highlighted some of the work being done in his laboratory to integrate mass spectrometry into the clinical laboratory.

The program also featured many other outstanding speakers discussing a wide range of topics including: Dr. Colleen Kraft, MD on Intestinal Microbiota Transplantation for Recurrent *C. difficile* Colitis, Dr. Brad Kairdolf on Optically Active Nanoparticles for Next-Generation Clinical Diagnostics, and Dr. Anne Winkler discussing Management of Bleeding Disorders in the Era of New Anticoagulants to mention just a few.

The Awards banquet was held at the World of Coke-Cola in downtown Atlanta where a good time was had by all after dinner tasting the many flavors of soda produced around the world. (picture below)



## Nominations Requested for Benson Award

The Ellis Benson Award is presented annually to a young physician and/or scientist (member or non-member of the Academy) in recognition of meritorious accomplishment in the field of laboratory medicine. Nominees need to be either under 45 years of age by July 1 or within 10 years of completion of clinical training.

Please submit nominations before January 31, 2014. Send the name of your nominee with a current CV and a brief letter of nomination to:

Eric D. Spitzer, MD, PhD  
Chair, Nominating and Awards Committee  
eric.spitzer@stonybrook.edu

## Call for Abstracts: Lab Medicine 2014

Dear ACLPS Member,

The Call for Abstracts for Lab Medicine 2014, the 49th annual meeting of ACLPS, is now open. Detailed information on the abstract submission process, as well as a preliminary program, can be found on the ACLPS website ([www.aclps.org](http://www.aclps.org)) under "Upcoming Meeting." The abstract submission deadline is February 28, 2014.

Lab Medicine 2014 will be held  
May 29 to 31, 2014,  
at the University of California, San Francisco

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## ARUP CEO Selected as Trustee to American Board of Pathology

June, 2013 — The American Board of Pathology (ABP) and ARUP Laboratories are pleased to announce that ARUP's president and CEO, Dr. Edward Ashwood, has been selected as a trustee to the ABP board beginning January 2014.

Dr. Ashwood joined ARUP in 1985 and, in addition to his duties as ARUP's CEO and president, is a professor of pathology at the University of Utah School of Medicine. He received his MD from the University of Colorado and completed a laboratory medicine residency in clinical pathology at the University of Washington. He is board certified in clinical and chemical pathology, and his research interests include the clinical chemistry of pregnancy.

As a board trustee, Dr. Ashwood is responsible for developing and reviewing certification examination questions and administering certification examinations in Pathology and the subspecialties of Pathology. Other trustee duties include interacting with the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS),

Pathology Residency programs, and other Pathology professional organizations. As a new board member, Dr. Ashwood will be chairing the Test Development Advisory Committee in Chemical Pathology.

"The American Board of Pathology plays a critical role in the practice of pathology and laboratory medicine," said Dr. Ashwood. "I am honored to serve alongside such a distinguished board."

As a member of the American Board of Medical Specialties, the ABP promotes public health and advances the practice and science of pathology by establishing voluntary certification standards and assessing the qualifications of those seeking to practice the specialty of pathology.

For more information about [Dr. Ashwood](#) or the ABP Board, visit the [American Board of Pathology Officers and Trustees page](#).

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**Lab Medicine 2014**  
**Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians & Scientists**  
**49th Annual Meeting**  
**University of California, San Francisco, Department of Laboratory Medicine**  
**San Francisco, CA**  
**May 29 - 31, 2014**

**Emerging Technologies for the Clinical Laboratory**

The target audience for this meeting includes: Physicians, Laboratory Directors, Scientists and Educators engaged in teaching, research and service in academic laboratory medicine.

The learning objectives for this meeting are as follows:

- Describe new testing methods and emerging trends in the clinical laboratory
- Review clinical applications of new technologies in the clinical laboratory
- Summarize the clinical laboratory's role in identifying and preventing diagnostic errors
- Summarize the clinical laboratory's role in optimizing resource utilization and increasing healthcare quality
- Recognize the shifts of diseases and its causes in developing countries and compare and contrast healthcare systems in different regions of the world
- Examine limitations in laboratory diagnostic and transfusion capabilities in developing countries

**Preliminary Program**

<b>DAY 1: THURSDAY, MAY 29</b>		
10:00 am – 6:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>	
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>Optional Tours of China Basin Clinical Laboratories</b>	
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>Executive Council Meeting</b>	
<i>Start of Scientific Sessions 2:00-5:15pm</i>		
2:00 pm – 2:15 pm	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Cliff Lowell, MD, PhD Professor & Chair, Department of Laboratory Medicine	
	Enrique Terrazas, MD Clinical Professor, Department of Laboratory Medicine	
2:15 pm – 2:45 pm	<i>Proteomics for traumatic brain injury</i> Jennifer Van Eyk, Johns Hopkins University	
2:45 pm – 3:15 pm	<i>Applications for MALDI-TOF MS in clinical microbiology</i> Carey-Ann Burnham, Washington University	

3:15 pm – 3:45 pm	<i>Next generation point-of-care technologies</i> Alan Wu, UCSF	
3:35 pm – 4:00 pm	<b>Break</b>	
4:00 pm – 4:45pm	<b>Breakout: Case Reports</b> <i>Clinical Toxicology</i> , Kara Lynch	
	<i>Clinical Immunology</i> , Bill Karlon, UCSF	
	<i>Coagulation</i> , Mike Laposata, Vanderbilt University	
4:45 pm - 5:15 pm	<i>Economic justification and LDT validation of mass spectrometry in the clinical laboratory</i> Paul Jannetto, Mayo Clinic	
2:15 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Concurrent TRIG workshop</b> Richard Haspel, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	<b>Welcome Reception</b> The View, 39 <sup>th</sup> floor, Marriott Marquis Hotel	
	<b>DAY 2: FRIDAY, MAY 30</b>	
7:30 am – 8:15 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	
8:15 am – 9:45 am	<b>Young Investigator Presentations 1</b> <i>Transfusion Medicine</i> <i>Malignant Hematology</i> <i>Microbiology</i> <i>Biomedical Research</i> <i>Chemistry I</i>	
9:45 am – 10:15 am	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10:15 am – 11:30 am	<b>Young Investigator Presentations 2</b> <i>Immunology</i> <i>Benign Hematology &amp; Coagulation</i> <i>Molecular Diagnostics</i> <i>Laboratory Administration &amp; Test Utilization</i> <i>Chemistry II</i>	
11:30 am – 12:00pm	<b>Keynote</b> <i>Molecular mapping beyond the microscope</i> Richard Caprioli, Vanderbilt University	
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	<b>Milestone Update: Residency and Fellowship Directors</b>	
1:00 pm – 1:45 pm	<b>Cotlove Award Lecture</b> <i>A Structure for Immunity and Cancer at the Single Level</i> Garry Nolan, Stanford	
1:45 pm – 2:30 pm	<b><i>Clinical and Forensic Toxicology (includes live real-time analysis/discussion with Poison Control)</i></b> Craig Smollin, Deb French, case development/presentation Neal Benowitz, Kent Olson, Thomas Kearney, blinded toxicology discussants Katie Thoren or Jennifer Colby, MS analysts.	
2:30 pm – 3:15 pm	<b>Coffee break/poster viewing</b>	
3:15 pm – 3:45 pm	<i>Age of blood, does it matter?</i> Philip Norris, UCSF	
3:45 pm – 4:15 pm	<i>The feminization of America due to environmental toxicology: you are what you eat, drink, and touch</i> Tracey Woodruff, UCSF	
4:15 pm – 4:45 pm	<i>Next generation sequencing</i> Charles Chiu UCSF	
5:45 pm – 6:30 pm	<b>Buses to Awards Banquet</b>	
6:30 pm – 9:30 pm	<b>Awards Banquet</b>	
<b>DAY 3: SATURDAY, MAY 31</b>		
7:30 am – 8:15 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	
8:15 am – 9:00 am	<b>Ellis Benson Award Lecture</b>	
9:00 am – 9:30 am	<i>Advancement in flow cytometry</i> Fiona Craig, University of Pittsburgh	
9:30 am – 10:00 am	<i>Monitoring response of blood cancers to chemotherapeutics</i> Arun Wiita, UCSF	
10:00 am – 10:30 am	<b>Coffee Break</b>	

10:30 am – 11:00 am	<i>Phenotypings for pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine</i> Nigel Clarke, Quest Diagnostics	
11:00 am – 11:30 am	<i>Electronic quality control</i> James Nichols, Vanderbilt University	
11:30 am		
12:00 pm – 12:45 pm	<b>Annual Business Meeting (all members welcomed to attend)</b>	
12:45 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Executive Council Meeting</b>	

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### **Trainee Travel Awards:**

ICPI (Intersociety Council for Pathology Information) launched a new trainee travel award program in 2007 to reimburse trainee expenses to attend member society meetings. The grant program has provided stipends (instead of direct reimbursement of expenses) of \$500 to eligible trainees to support their travel to a meeting sponsored by the member societies and \$750 for those applicants who submit an abstract to the meeting. Applications can be downloaded from the ICPI website. 27 trainee travel awards were funded in 2012 and 25 were funded in 2013.

The program is described at

[http://www.pathologytraining.org/awards\\_grants/documents/Travel%20Award.pdf](http://www.pathologytraining.org/awards_grants/documents/Travel%20Award.pdf)

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