



SOCIETY FOR PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY

NEWSLETTER **Fall 1999**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Maureen J. Popek, D.O.

The New York Times recently described Providence, Rhode Island as having a convivial feeling, which the author defines as "related to, occupied by, or fond of, feasting, drinking and good company." I would certainly agree that all of these things and more were present at the in-meeting in Providence. Rhode Island is the first of the 13 original colonies to gain independence from Great Britain. I think that first so I took in feasting and drinking at the first brewpub in Rhode Island since its inception—it was good that we were within walking distance of the hotel. The NBC drama "ER" opens each episode with an old Rhode Island tune, "In My Life" which states that Providence is a place that I'll remember in my life. Providence will certainly be one of the places for me—Thanks for a really great

AWARD PRESENTED AT THE FALL MEETING

David Witte MD, Chairperson

Andy S. Wu was presented the Gordon F. Trainee award for his platform presentation "Myocyte Regression in Cardiac Rhabdomyomas (CR) is Ubiquitin-Mediated".

Information Included with this letter:

2000 Slide Survey

2000 Annual Meeting

Registration Information

Hotel Registration Form

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Joe C. Rutledge, M.D.

Providence

If you've never been to an interim meeting then you have missed the highlight of pediatric pathology. So, let me tell you what happened in Providence.

A packed house heard multiple platform presentations, a spirited and fast poster discussion, and a world class symposium drawn from faculty at Brown University, colleagues and coworkers with our hosts from Women and Infants Hospital. The extraordinarily well-organized meeting had a variety of social activities highlighted by a classic New England clambake with all the trimmings, followed by a lively comedy troupe and a return to see the lighting of the river in downtown Providence. Although the meeting was busy, it provided an atmosphere that allowed more time to get to know one another.

A silent auction of donated books and artwork by SPP members and friends raised over \$3,000 for the Young Investigator's endowment. The attendees celebrated Don Singer's tenure as Chief at Women's and Infants Hospital and "Don Singer Day" as Don refocuses his efforts of day-to-day administration activities to the broader area of pediatric pathology outside the walls of his home institution.

The council conducted new business activities that included analyzing and voting on the next year's budget before we actually enter the fiscal year. The budget is still short several thousand dollars that we hope can be made up in a variety of ways. On a brighter side, we approved 12 new members for all of you to welcome.

Derek deSa, Chair of the Long-Range Planning Committee, led a 2-hour long-range planning meeting whose goal was to check on the progress of the strategic initiatives set in place in Houston in 1996. The councilors at large had spent the last two months analyzing the Society's response to those goals and identified new opportunities and fine-tuned SPP efforts so we can keep on track.

Ona Faye-Petersen and Bob Bendon organized a perinatal symposium as well as several working groups on the day preceding the meeting. The symposium that attracted between 50-60 registrants was so well received that planning is already in progress for a satellite session in Vancouver. In addition, the council voted to move ahead with developing details of how sections might work within the SPP. As this group moves forward with a variety of initiatives, council will move forward with examining how these initiatives best fit with the administrative structure of the SPP. This fall each committee will examine the implications that sections might have on their area of work.

So, to the Providence group - thank you for a job well done. To those who were not at the meeting in Providence, we look forward to seeing you in New Orleans. To those

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SILENT AUCTION AT THE INTERIM MEETING

The silent auction was anything but. Bidding resulted in some all-in-good-fun challenges between members for many of the items. It was an overwhelming success, raising over \$3,000 for the Young Investigator Grant Fund. It was a tremendous amount of work for Dr. Singer and his staff, both in getting the materials donated and handling all of the bids and distributing the goods. (By the way Don, my check is in the mail).

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Kathy Patterson, MD, Chairperson

CME Accreditation

The ability of the SPP to grant CME credits at its various meetings depends on the Society maintaining its accreditation status with the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). In August of this past summer, the Society's CME activities underwent an ACCME re-accreditation site visit. Thanks to Dr. Wes Tyson, the outgoing SPP, CME coordinator, this visit went well, with the final report from the ACCME expected in November, 1999. Documenting compliance with the various ACCME requirements necessitates dogged attention to detail and the Society members owe Wes a huge THANK YOU for his 4 year tour of duty. Following the completion of this ACCME review, Lisa Teot has agreed to take on the duties of the CME coordinator for the next 4 year cycle. In preparation, Lisa and I attended a course offered by the ACCME this August, where we were introduced to a revised set of accreditation requirements which become effective this fall. The CME subcommittee is now busy making sure these new requirements are met as efficiently as possible.

Abstracts

Those who attended the San Francisco meeting last March and filled out the evaluation form may remember a survey question regarding the possibility of increasing the number of abstracts accepted for poster presentation at the spring meetings. The majority of responders favored increasing the number of posters, though many of you also noted that the time to view the posters is already short, and rotating posters would only exacerbate this problem. After much discussion at both the committee and the council meeting it was decided to:

1. Increase the number of abstracts accepted for poster presentation at this spring's meeting.
2. Display all posters simultaneously, and
3. Add a second poster discussion session during the Sunday AM meeting time to allow time for discussion of all posters.

Your evaluation and comments regarding the increased numbers of posters will be expected and appreciated.

Hal Pinar, M.D., completes his tour of duty as the chair of Abstract committee this spring. Thank you, Hal for efficiently and thoughtfully managing the evaluations and presentations of the platform and poster sessions over the past years.

Workshops and Symposium

Jeff Goldstein, M.D., the subcommittee chair, presented the workshops and symposium planned for the New Orleans meeting (see synopsis elsewhere in the newsletter). Of particular note was the double workshop on Human Molecular Embryogenesis planned for this year only (unless an overwhelming number of you turned away, in which case we will explore the possibility of presenting it for a second year). The workshop committee is on the lookout for future workshop and symposium topics. Topics suggested by you in the meeting evaluation forms are being used in planning future events. Please take the time to fill out the forms at the spring meeting. Jeff Goldstein, M.D., retires as chair of the workshops/symposium subcommittee this spring. All the time and energy you have devoted to this subcommittee over the past few years is very much appreciated.

Welcome to our New Members

Welcome to the new members, which were voted on at the Council meeting.

Regular

Janet Poulik
Peter Helseth
Scott Kilpatrick
Morris Edelman
Elizabeth Leistikow
Christopher Sherman
Sara Vargas
Essam Ayad

Junior

Naseem Ahmed
Barbara Fulton

Affiliate Members

Theodore Vujklaskis
Erdener Ozer
Sergio Sanchez Sosa

ANNOUNCEMENT: There will be a New Member breakfast on Sunday March 26, 2000—Please come and meet other new members and some "old" members.

POSITION AVAILABLE

PERINATAL/SURGICAL PATHOLOGIST

(99UC0216) Position needed in department of 50 physicians, 14 house officers and various fellowship positions. Applicant should be board certified in Anatomic Pathology and/or have training and/or experience to support an active service in the position of Perinatal/Surgical Pathologist. Candidates should have a strong interest in teaching residents, fellows, medical and graduate students. Evidence of or potential for scholarly pursuits is required. •Appointment commensurate with scholarly achievement. •Perinatal/surgical pathology services are supported by well equipped laboratories to facilitate scholarly pursuits. •The department is housed in convenient and well equipped facilities. •The department has a supportive intellectual environment and is committed to faculty development. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Interested applicants should send a curriculum vitae (noting position control #) and the names of 3 references to: **Tito Cavallo, MD, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine, 231 Bethesda Avenue, Cincinnati OH 45267-0529**

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missed out on the special aspects of an interim meeting, mark calendars for Vancouver.

If you may remember the recent Internet list discussion concerning the lack of pediatric pathology boards being included on a variety of forms from other pathology organizations I was happy to note that my recent county medical license renewal included pediatric pathology as one of the board choices and our persistence in writing it in. I hope that all of you who successfully sat for the boards will continue to push this as it is one way in which pediatric pathology can gain a but pervasive visibility.

New Orleans
plan to have a Friday night reception to begin the New Orleans meeting.

Publications Committee Report

Beverly Rogers, M.D., Chairperson

The Society for Pediatric Pathology has a great journal, thanks to the efforts of the editors, editorial board, and all who submit their articles to our journal. We have seen a 50% increase in institutional subscriptions to Pediatric and Developmental Pathology compared to December, 1998. This is the good news. The bad news is that even through there is a 50% increase in institutional subscriptions, we only have 57 institutional libraries subscribing to our journal. Obtaining subscriptions from the institutional libraries is the key to a financially successful journal. This past year members of the Publications Committee contacted selected institutional libraries to encourage them to take the journal. We need your help. It is my understanding that the squeaky wheel gets the grease in this arena, so everyone needs to join in. Members of the Publications Committee will be contacting you if your institution does not subscribe to encourage you to contact your library. Please help.

Perspectives in Pediatric Pathology has been published in a year-end volume, and will be offered for sale by Springer and the Central Office. All members of the SPP who take Pediatric and Developmental Pathology should have been sent a copy of Perspectives as well. If you know someone who wants to purchase the year-end volume, they can contact the Central Of-

Now we have an on-line directory via the Web Site. The user name is SPP, and the password is: directory. This will be updated by the Central Office when they receive changes. We are also planning to have a printed directory for the year 2000-2002. Contingent on the SPP receiving advertisements to support the publica-

tion. Dr. John Buchino has obtained monetary pledges to support the directory. When you receive your 2000 dues statement, please make sure your demographics are correct. We will have a place to add your spouse's name if you want.

Dr. Edwina Popek has done an outstanding job as newsletter editor for the past 4 years, keeping us informed about the Society's business. The winter newsletter will be her last newsletter, and we thank Dr. Popek for taking the time and effort she spent to keep us up to date. The Committee is pleased to announce the selection of Dr. Arthur Weinberg as the next newsletter editor, to take effect with the spring 2000 newsletter. We look forward to having Dr. Weinberg serve the society in this capacity. We also want to thank all those who applied for the position. We were fortunate to have several very good applicants, and we appreciate all who came forward to offer their time and talents to the Society.

Perinatal Pathology Symposium Held in Providence

Robert Bendon, M.D.

The group interested in perinatal pathology held a very successful meeting in conjunction with the SPP in Providence. The afternoon included abstract presentations and three talks on advances in understanding preterm labor and chorioamnionitis. Work groups in the morning discussed ways to integrate with the SPP and to pursue our previous initiatives. The Oligohydramnios database will be accessible to SPP members at www.infantpathology.com, the private web site of Drs. Bendon, Buchino and Coventry. However it is still under construction. The Nosology project will be concentrating on a few of the most critical areas. A beginning was made toward integrating the slide send outs with the SPP. The education workshop agreed to plan another meeting for the day before the Providence interim meeting. A new initiative will be to create an

Aspen style conference on perinatal pathology for general pathologists. The research group concluded that pathologists need to be more aggressive in applying for NIH funding in diagnostic pathology. Dr. Challis suggested contacting Dr. Alexander at the NICHD for further advice. The SGPCPC made a beginning and is interested in pathology support for a current project using glutamine to prevent NEC. The group has been given a name by SPP council, "the ad hoc Perinatal Section".

Deadline

for the Next Newsletter

January 3, 1999

Schedule for the Spring SPP Meeting in New Orleans 2000 Annual Meeting Educational Program

Jeff Goldstein, M.D.

Y2K SYMPOSIUM

Advances in Pediatric Hepatobiliary Disease
Dedicated to Benjamin H. Landing
Moderator: Milton J. Finegold, Texas Children's Hospital,
Houston, TX

Introduction

Benjamin H. Landing, MD; Los Angeles Children's Hospital,
Los Angeles, CA

Etiopathogenesis of Biliary Atresia

Ronald Jaffe, MB.BCh; Children's Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

Genetic Defects of Bile Transport

Michelle Hadchouel, MD; Hôpital de Bicetre, Paris, France

Pathology Associated with Defects in Bile Salt Synthesis

Kevin Bove, MD; Children's Medical Center, Cincinnati, OH

Role of the Canalicular Tight Junction in the Physiology of Bile Flow

James M. Anderson, PhD, MD; Yale University School of
Medicine, New Haven, CN

Objectives:

1. Review of the etiology and pathogenesis of biliary atresia in light of recent observations regarding clinical variants and viral pathogenesis.
2. Learn about the recent discoveries of genetic abnormalities responsible for cholestasis and the proteins contributing to transport.
3. Appreciate the role of abnormal bile acids in the pathogenesis of cholestasis, in relation to metabolic pathways and the patterns of histopathology.
4. Become familiar with the structure, constituents and function of the canalicular tight junction and its relation to the process of bile secretion.

New Workshops for Y2K

Pediatric Renal Biopsy Pathology

Helen Liapis, MD; Washington University School of Medicine,
St. Louis, MO.

Objectives:

1. Recognize the diagnostic features and generate a differential diagnosis for the entities presented.
2. Understand our current knowledge of the pathogenesis of each disorder.
3. Evaluate prognosis and risk for recurrence based on pathology.

Synopsis:

This workshop is a case-based approach to the diagnosis, genesis, prognosis and treatment of a selected, but diverse, of pediatric renal disorders. Each case will serve as an entry point for discussion of variants, related disorders and mimics which enter into the differential diagnosis. Immunopathology, ultrastructure and genetic analysis will be included.

Pathology of Heart, Lung and Liver Transplantation

Aliya N. Husain, MD; Loyola University, Maywood, IL
Ronald Jaffe, MB.BCh; Children's Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

Objectives:

1. The participant will learn current terminology and grading of rejection of heart, lung and liver.
2. Pathologic features of opportunistic infections will be illustrated, together with the use of newer diagnostic techniques; e.g., polymerase chain reaction and in-situ hybridization.
3. The participant will become familiar with the pathologic features of post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorders.

Synopsis:

This workshop is a case-based presentation which will cover complications of transplantation of heart, lung and liver. Pathologic diagnosis of rejection, both acute and chronic, opportunistic infections and lymphoproliferative disorders will be emphasized. An overview of pre-transplant pathology and long-term outcomes will be briefly presented.

Continuing Workshops

Pediatric Bone Tumors and Tumor-like Lesions: An integrated approach to differential diagnosis.

Lisa A. Teot, MD; University of Rochester Medical Center,
Rochester, NY
(Second year offered)

Objectives:

1. Recognize histologic and, where appropriate, cytologic features of neoplastic and non-neoplastic bone lesions occurring in the pediatric population.
2. Correlate the histologic features of neoplastic and non-neoplastic bone lesions with the clinical, radiographic and, where appropriate, cytologic findings.
3. Develop a differential diagnosis of bone lesions utilizing this integrated approach.

Synopsis:

This workshop aims to provide pathologists and pathology residents with an integrated clinical, radiographic, and histologic approach to the differential diagnosis of neoplastic and non-neoplastic bone lesions occurring in pediatric patients, with special emphasis on benign processes. Evaluation of skeletal lesions traditionally has included open biopsy to establish a diagnosis

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the different molecular tools available to the embryo are understood, we will use the central nervous system as a model, in order to see graphically how they interact to form complex structures.

The final section of this course is to allow pathologists to gain a perspective of how the embryo develops, so as to be able to perform a molecular differential diagnosis / approach in cases of malformations. Basic concepts, rather than details and minutiae, are stressed throughout the course. As a clinical fetopathologist, I try to convey a diagnostic approach to human malforma-

Accreditation Statement

The Society for Pediatric Pathology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Society for Pediatric Pathology takes responsibility for the content, quality, and scientific integrity of the CME activity.

Future Meeting Dates

SPP/USCAP Meetings

- 2001, Atlanta, March 2-3
- 2002, Chicago, February 22-23
- 2003, Washington, DC, March 21-22

SPP Interim Meetings

- 2000, Vancouver, British Columbia, September 22-24
- 2001, Memphis, TN
- 2002, Dallas, TX

Donated Copies of PEDIATRIC & DEVELOPMENTAL PATHOLOGY

have reached all corners of the World

Alba Greco, M.D., Council Member

...ation of the journal keeps growing. Extra copies of PDP have been sent to 30 practicing General and Pediatric Pathologists in developing countries.

...ere thanks have been expressed in letters acknowledging the receipt of PDP and the SPP commitment in helping Pathologists throughout the world. Letters have been received from the following "Happy Recipients"

...kandu (Lusaka, Zambia), C. Gutierrez (Montevideo, Uruguay), Biblioteca Medica Nacional (Havana, Cuba), S. Onatra (Bogota, Colombia), C.M. Manuel (Luanda, Angola), A. Henriquez

(Santiago, Chile), G.R. Garcia (Mexico DF, Mexico), R.I. Fernandez (La Paz, Bolivia), Sociedad Argentina de Patologic (Buenos Aires, Argentina), J.N. Kitinya (Dar-es Salaam, Tanzania), T.G. de Wolff (Mendoza, Argentina), C. Muronda (Harare, Zimbabwe), and L.V. Papez (Santiago, Chile).

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE OF DISTINCTIONS AND AWARDS

David Witte, M.D., Chairperson

A. Lotte Strauss Prize

The Committee on Distinctions and Awards wishes to remind members of the Society to submit nominees for the Lotte Strauss Award. The Dr. Lotte Strauss award will recognize meritorious work by an individual 40 years of age or younger in a subject germane to pediatric pathology, published or accepted for publication during 1999. The winner will receive a \$1000 cash prize. Nomination requires submission of five copies of the completed paper, a supportive letter from the nominee's sponsor, and five copies of the nominee's curriculum vitae. These should be mailed to:

David Witte, M.D.

Chairperson, Committee on Distinctions and Awards

Department of Pathology

Children's Hospital Medical Center

3333 Burnet Avenue

Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

Deadline for receipt of complete nomination package is:
December 15, 1999

B. Harry B. Neustein Memorial Award

The Harry B. Neustein Memorial Award was generously established by the Neustein family to recognize the significant contributions made by Dr. Harry Neustein to pediatric pathology. This award is presented to abstracts to recognize meritorious work involving studies utilizing electron microscopy, new methodological advances in molecular technology or immunohistochemical techniques or development of other innovative technological advances that pertain to pediatric pathology.

Announcements

Web Site information:

SPP membership list is on the SPP Web site. The user name is "SPP" and the password is "member".

PEDPATH List server now has 320 subscribers discussing a wide range of pediatric pathology topics. The easiest way to subscribe is to send an E-mail to Joe Rutledge. Make sure to include your name! jrutledg@u.washington.edu

There are plans for a reception, Friday March 24, 2000 to open the Annual meeting in New Orleans.

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to definitive treatment. With the development of improved radiographic techniques for localizing these lesions, core biopsy (CB) and fine needle aspiration biopsy (FNAB) are assuming increasingly important diagnostic roles. This is particularly true in light of the trend towards less invasive, more cost effective procedures for diagnosis. In many instances, CB or FNAB allows accurate diagnosis of primary or metastatic bone lesions, thereby obviating the need for a more invasive and significantly more expensive diagnostic procedure. Moreover, even when definitive diagnosis is not possible, CB or FNAB can help guide further diagnostic and therapeutic planning. Participants are introduced to a variety of benign and malignant lesions, utilizing an integrated, multimodal approach which includes correlation of clinical history, radiographic studies, histologic sections, and where appropriate, Papanicolaou and Diff-Quik™ stained cytologic preparations. The problem solving approach to developing a differential diagnosis is emphasized.

Congenital Malformations in the Fetus: Approaches to Examination and Diagnosis.

Joseph R. Siebert, PhD and Raj P. Kapur, MD, PhD; Children's Hospital and University of Washington, Seattle, WA
(Second year offered)

Objectives:

1. Develop a systematic approach to the practice of fetal pathology.
2. Apply ancillary techniques to fetal pathology (e.g. morphometry, imaging, genetics, microbiology, molecular biology).
3. Define the role of the fetal pathologist, including establishing and operating a fetal pathology service.

Synopsis:

Changes in prenatal diagnosis and intervention have brought challenges to pediatric pathologists who have had to become fetal pathologists. In this workshop, we will highlight our experience in making this conversion. We will provide an update of prenatal imaging techniques used to diagnose congenital malformations. We will then discuss techniques of gross autopsy examination that aid in dealing with tissues that, in addition to being malformed, are also very small, incompletely developed, disrupted, or autolyzed. Normal histologic findings, which, in the young fetus, can differ substantially from the newborn, will be demonstrated for particular gestational ages. A number of ancillary techniques, including photography, morphometry, radiography, flow cytometry, and karyotyping, will be discussed. The operation of a fetal autopsy service will be described. Reference materials and sample protocols will be provided.

New Advances in Pediatric Muscle Pathology.

Harvey B. Sarnat, MD, FRCPC; Children's Hospital, Seattle, WA
(Third and final year offered)

Objectives:

1. Understand the strengths and pitfalls of the various histochemical and immunohistochemical stains used in muscle

pathology.

2. Become acquainted with the clinical and histopathologic features of the congenital myopathies.
3. Be better able to distinguish between primary vs. secondary neurogenic and myopathic changes.

Synopsis:

After reviewing histochemical and immunohistochemical techniques useful in the evaluation of muscle biopsies, this workshop concentrates on aspects of diagnostic muscle pathology which have been impacted by new technologies. Topics covered include: Embryology of muscle including the role of myogenes. Congenital myopathies, such as the centronuclear myopathies, infantile myofibrillar myopathy and congenital muscle fiber type disproportion. New stains available for muscle biopsy including immunohistochemical markers of sarcoplasm- and cytoskeletal proteins such as dystrophin, the sarcoglycans and merosin. The distinction between primary neurogenic atrophy and secondary myopathic changes and primary myopathy with secondary neurogenic changes.

Special Course (Double Workshop)

Human Molecular Embryogenesis: An Introduction, with Emphasis on its Relevance to Oncogenesis

Luc L. Oligny, M.Sc. (Pathol), MD; Hôpital Ste-Justine, Montreal

Objectives:

1. Exposure to the major players in molecular embryogenesis and oncogenesis
2. Understanding of the interactions between these key players in organogenesis
3. Development of a molecular diagnostic approach to malformations.

Synopsis:

This clinically oriented 4 hour introductory course assumes or no prior molecular genetics background, as the concepts will be explained throughout. It is aimed at all pathologists with an interest in pediatric pathology, embryogenesis or malformations. Initially, we will discuss the basic building blocks of molecular embryology and highlight their role in oncogenesis: 1) cellular differentiation, including DNA methylation, acetylation, heterochromatinization through Polycomb proteins, master switch genes/transcription factors, and the concept of "double insulator"; 2) genetic contribution of each parent, including genomic imprinting; 3) cell proliferation, including proto- and anti-oncogenes, apoptosis and angiogenic factors; 4) cell adhesion molecules (CAMs) including cell migration tridimensional shaping of the embryo, and metastatic predilection of certain organs; 5) homeobox genes, including HOX, PAX, retinoic acid, and how they relate to Opitz' "developmental fields"; and 6) techniques used in developmental biology, including model organisms, genetic engineering experiments, and transgenic animals.



UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN ACADEMY OF PATHOLOGY

States-Canadian Division of The International Academy of Pathology

HOTEL INFORMATION

Please make your reservations early! There are a limited number of accommodations available at conference rates!

Hotel reservations may be made by calling the hotel directly or by completing the form on the reverse side of this sheet and mailing or faxing it to the address or number provided. When calling, please indicate that you are attending the **Academy of Pathology** meeting.

Confirmations will be mailed to those individuals who fax or mail their forms. If your first choice accommodation has been sold out, the next available type of accommodation will be reserved for you.

Guaranteeing your Reservations: Hotel reservations will NOT be made without a valid credit card or check for payment of the first night's room and tax. The New Orleans Hilton accepts all major Credit cards. New Orleans's state and local tax is currently at 11% plus a \$3.00 occupancy tax per room per night.

Check In / Check Out: Check in time is 3:00 p.m. Check out time is 12:00 noon. If you arrive earlier than 3:00 p.m. the hotel will make every effort to provide you with the next available room and/or the bell captain will store your luggage until a room becomes available.

Cancellation and Refund Policy: The New Orleans Hilton requires notice of cancellation 72 hours (3 days) prior to arrival to avoid forfeiting the first nights room and tax. All cancellations received less than 3 days prior to arrival will forfeit the first night's room and tax.

Other Information:

- ◆ The deadline for making reservations is February 25th. After this date conference rates on any remaining rooms will no longer be available!
- ◆ Rates published are for single and double occupancy only. An Extra Person charge of \$25.00 per person per night applies for 3 or more in a room. Children under 18 stay free when sharing a room with their parents.
- ◆ A limited number of rooms for the physically challenged are available upon request.
- ◆ Revisions to departure dates may be made up to and including the time of check-in. A change in departure date after this point will result in a \$50 early departure fee being applied to the room bill.

HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

United States & Canadian Academy of Pathology - Annual Meeting
New Orleans Hilton, New Orleans, Louisiana - March 25 - 31, 2000

Please read important information on the back of this page!

Deadline for making reservations at conference rate is February 25, 2000 - Make Reservations By:

MAIL: Reservations Department
Hilton New Orleans Riverside
Poydras at the Mississippi River
New Orleans, LA 70140 U.S.A.

Phone: 504/584-3999
OR
FAX: 504/584-3979

Contact Information - Type or print clearly

Arrival Date: _____ Arrival Time: _____ Departure Date: _____

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(Last Name) (First Name)

Address: _____

City/State _____ ZIP/Postal Code _____

Country _____

Phone: _____ FAX _____

Please Circle:	Standard	Classic	Towers
Single	\$ 181.00	\$ 198.00	\$ 238.00
Double	\$ 203.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 260.00
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Names of Additional Occupants: _____

Hilton HHONORS Number: _____

Please indicate any special requests: _____

Room Guarantee Payment - Hotel reservations will NOT be made without a valid credit card or check for payment of the first night's room

Type of Credit Card: American Express VISA MasterCard Discover Diners Club
 Other: _____

Account Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

RESEARCH COMMITTEE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

David A. Parham, M.D., Chairperson

YOUNG INVESTIGATOR RESEARCH GRANT

Application Process:

To obtain an application contact the SPP Executive Office, Degnon Associates, Inc., 6728 Old McLean Village Drive, McLean, VA 22101, 703/556-9222 or FAX 703/556-8729, or E-Mail edpath@degnon.org. The guidelines for the award are as follows:

To foster research within the SPP by providing seed money to young investigators in pediatric pathology.

To fund a pilot project following which the investigator can apply to other granting agencies.

Purpose of Funding: The funds are to be used to facilitate basic or applied research of a young investigator in the field of pediatric pathology. The following are appropriate expenditures: capital equipment, reagents and supplies, travel to meeting to present and salary supplements. Other appropriate expenditures include: fees required to purchase specific services such as an electron microscope, scanning EM, etc., or other specified techniques. Animal care costs are also considered appropriate.

Amount of Award: There will be (1) award up to a maximum of \$10,000. This is a nonrenewable, one-term award.

Who May Apply:

All applicants with a MD, MD/PhD, or DO degree.

Residents or fellows, full-time, in an accredited pathology training program.

Faculty and staff who have been in Pediatric Pathology less than 5 years and are regular members.

The applicant must be a member of the SPP or sponsored by a SPP member.

Types of Projects That Will Be Funded: Research into any aspect of pediatric disease will be considered, including morphologic, clinical, chemical, and epidemiological studies.

Application Process: Completed applications must be received by the Chair of the Research Committee no later than March 1, 2000. Applications will be reviewed by the Research Committee of the SPP, and awards will be announced at the March SPP meeting. Award funding will begin on July 1, 2000.

Application: Please submit a completed application form to Chair of the Research Committee, David M. Parham, MD, Chief of Pediatric Pathology, Arkansas Children's Hospital, 800 Marshall Street, Little Rock, AR 72202-3591. Be sure to fill out all segments. In addition, an approval from either Institutional Review Board (if human subject are involved) and/or Animal Care Committee should be included as appropriate.

Expectations: It is expected that the recipient of this award will present the results of the research at the annual meeting of the Society for Pediatric Pathology and submit one or more manuscripts to Pediatric and Developmental Pathology for consideration.

A. JAMES MCADAMS SHORT TERM STUDY STIPEND

The Society for Pediatric Pathology and Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati Ohio, has established the A. James McAdams Short Term Study Stipend. The purpose is to honor A. James McAdams, M.D., by supporting and promoting opportunities for any member of the SPP or fellow in training in an accredited program in pediatric pathology and sponsored by a member of the SPP to learn specific investigative techniques not available at their institution. This opportunity may be used to learn and develop new research skills related to either clinical or laboratory investigations from experts with the Society or outside the Society. One annual award of up to \$2,000 will be made to support travel and living expenses of a pediatric pathologist for study for up to one month. The application request should include the following:

1. An abbreviated CV including name and current position, training, and/or professional experience, and brief description of current research interests and activities.
2. A letter from the applicant's chief in support of the training experience.
3. A letter from the chief or laboratory director at the institution that the applicant wants to visit indicating approval of the proposed training experience.
4. A brief description (less than one-half typed page) of the type of training to be pursued and how it will promote the applicant's investigative career in pediatric pathology

Applications will be accepted up to February 1, 2000 and funding will begin on July 1, 2000. Please assure that your application is complete, as application lacking any of the above four items will not be considered.

Interested parties should contact: David M. Parham, M.D., Chair, SPP Research Committee, Chief of Pediatric Pathology, Arkansas Children's Hospital, 800 Marshall Street, Little Rock AR 72202-3591.