

American Academy of Forensic Science, Patho-biology section

Pathology/Biology Section

The Pathology/Biology section is comprised of almost 1000 members in the fields of forensic pathology, forensic biology, forensic entomology, and forensic veterinary medicine. These areas have taken hold of the most current research, knowledge, technology, and applied epidemiology available. Such advances will be apparent at the upcoming AAFS meeting in Washington, DC. On a broad scale, members work to improve public safety and awareness through work-related fatality investigation, studies of atherosclerosis in the youth, and Homeland Security measures. The research also focuses in on areas of aquatic environment postmortem interval, confocal microscopy, and touch DNA. The CT-guided multislice autopsy, magnetic resonance imaging, radiocarbon analysis, and ophthalmoscopy have found their place in forensic pathology and biology. The T-cell receptor, at one time known to only apply to the field of hematology, is yet another area that is researched. Never before has the forensic community had such expertise and ability to utilize the most cutting edge scientific tools. These topics and many more were presented, discussed, and debated at the February 2013 meeting in Washington, DC. At that meeting Milton Halpern Award went to Joe Prahlow, MD for his service to AAFS and forensic pathology. The 2014 meeting will be held in Seattle, Feb 17 – 22, 2014.

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Membership:

Associate Members	338
Fellows	229
Members	212
Retired Fellows	65
Retired Members	9
Student Affiliates	18
Trainee Affiliates	16
<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>887</b>

Applicants	47	
<b>Total Membership &amp; Applicants</b>		<b>934</b>