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 ACLPS Annual Meeting(s): The ACLPS Annual Meeting will be hosted June 9-11, 2005 by the University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, PA. The organization's annual award of academic recognition, the Ernest Cotlove Award, will be presented to Dr. Lance Liotta of the National Cancer Institute. The Gerald T. Evans Award (always a 'secret' until the meeting) will also be conferred for longstanding service to ACLPS; last year's winner was Michael Laposata from Massachusetts General Hospital. In addition to the popular Young Investigator Awards, simultaneous scientific sessions, updates in selected areas of laboratory medicine, plenary presentations, and social activities to key local attractions are scheduled.

Next year's annual meeting will be hosted by the University of Chicago) in early June 2006.

- RISE Examination: ACLPS, a co-sponsor of the American Journal of Clinical Pathology for many years, continues to provide members to work actively with ASCP Resource Councils to assist with item writing for the annual Resident Inservice Examination (RISE).
- 3. CP Curriculum Competencies Project: ACLPS working groups in each of the major disciplines of laboratory medicine, under the oversight of Brian Smith (Yale University), are close to completing a draft curriculum for resident training and competency in Laboratory Medicine (Clinical Pathology) to complement the one issued for Anatomic Pathology by the Association of Directors of Anatomic and Surgical Pathology in 2003. This will be shared for comment with other organizations and then published.
- 4. American Board of Pathology: As the newest cooperating society of the American Board of Pathology (effective in 2004), ACLPS is weighing and discussing with others the requirements for board eligibility, including length of time in training in laboratory medicine and the role of research training. The aim is to ensure that residents have the opportunity to receive the best possible educational experience during their years in training.