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Governance and Mission Statement: ASIP revised its Bylaws in 2009 and has a new mission statement: *The mission of the Society is to promote the discovery, advancement, and dissemination of basic and translational knowledge in experimental pathology and related disciplines. This shall be achieved by fostering investigation into the pathogenesis, classification, diagnosis, and manifestations of disease through meetings, publications, and educational activities.*

The revised Bylaws also call for increased participation of trainees on ASIP committees, and the direct election of the Chairs of the Publications, Program, Education, and Career Development, Women & Minorities Committees.

Leadership: ASIP's current President is Dr. Linda McManus, who will be succeeded by Dr. Stanley Cohen in July, 2009.

Membership: ASIP membership is 2,000.

Meetings: ASIP meets with several other member societies of FASEB each year at a meeting called Experimental Biology. ASIP members attended EB2008 in San Diego, CA (April 18-22, 2008) in record numbers and submitted a record number of abstracts. In 2009, the meeting will be April 18-22 in New Orleans. Guest societies sponsored by ASIP include American College of Veterinary Pathologists, American Society for Matrix Biology, International Society for Analytical and Molecular Morphology, International Society for Biological and Environmental Repositories (ISBER), Italian Pathology Society, and the Pulmonary Pathology Society (PPS). The keynote speaker will be Dr. Irving Weissman. Nobel laureate Oliver Smithies will be a featured speaker.

ASIP's two Divisions will both hold separate meetings in Portland, Oregon in 2009: The ISBER Division will meet from May 12-15, and the PPS Division will meet from June 24-26, 2009.

In 2008, ASIP held a Summer Academy July 12-14, 2008 on "Molecular Mechanisms of Human Disease: In jury, Inflammation, and Tissue Repair" in Bethesda, MD. In 2009, the Summer Academy will be held in Arlington, VA from June 6-8 on "Molecular Mechanisms of Human Disease: Pathobiology of Solid Tumors: Transcripts, Tyrosine Kinases, and Therapeutics."

Awardees: Dr. Emanuel Rubin received the ASIP Gold-Headed Cane Award in April, 2008. Other awardees were Michael Gimbrone (Rous-Whipple Award) and David Engman (ASIP Outstanding Investigator Award). In 2009, Dr. Nicholas Gonatas will receive the Gold-Headed Cane Award, Dr. George Michalopoulos will receive the Rous-Whipple Award, and Dr Mel Feany will receive the ASIP Outstanding Investigator

Award. In 2009, ASIP has three new meritorious awards: Dr. Vinay Kumar will be the first recipient of the Robbins Distinguished Educator Award, Dr. Carlos Moreno will be the first recipient of the Cotran Established Investigator Award, and Dr. Jonathan Lin will be the first recipient of the Excellence in Science Award, which is funded by the ASIP-A.D. Sobel Education Fund.

Journals: ASIP's official journal is *The American Journal of Pathology* (AJP). In July, 2008, Dr. Michael Lisanti became the new Editor-in-Chief of the AJP. ASIP also co-publishes *The Journal of Molecular Diagnostics* (JMD) bimonthly with the Association for Molecular Pathology. Dr. Karen Kaul will be stepping down as Editor-in-Chief of JMD in December 2009 after 11 years at its helm, and a search for her replacement is underway. ASIP launched a CME Journal Program in January 2006. Readers of *AJP* or *JMD* are eligible to register for a 50 credit hour CME program based on reading articles in each of the two journals.

Management of other societies. ASIP manages the following societies in its offices:

- Association for Molecular Pathology
- Association of Pathology Chairs
- Intersociety Council for Pathology Information