A New Year and a New Beginning
William B. Coleman, PhD

The End of an Era
"Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end" Semisonic, Closing Time
2018 marks the end of an era in the history of the American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP), as Dr. Mark Sobel, after 17 years of dedicated service, retires as Executive Officer. Dr. Sobel’s tenure saw numerous positive changes within ASIP, including expanded trainee-related activities and opportunities for professional development, the establishment of new travel awards for trainees and young faculty members, implementation of numerous educational initiatives and programs, establishment of vibrant and active Scientific Interest Groups (SIGs), and development of robust science advocacy. Over the years, Dr. Sobel and the ASIP staff have provided consistent oversight and exceptionally strong scientific programming for our annual meetings at Experimental Biology, and, more recently, our new free-standing scientific meeting, Pathobiology for Investigators, Students & Academics or PISA. During his tenure, Dr. Sobel oversaw the transition from self-publication to managed publication for both The American Journal of Pathology (AJP) and The Journal of Molecular Diagnostics (JMD), and with the Publications Committee superintended the recruitment of several topnotch Editors-in-Chief for the AJP, our premier journal. He worked with architects to design our new office space and oversaw the relocation of ASIP from the FASEB campus to our new location. Add to this his excellent stewardship of the ASIP finances and staff, and you get a glimpse of our Society’s many accomplishments under his leadership. His tenure has been an unqualified success, and many of our members (myself included) owe him a debt of gratitude for his tireless dedication to ASIP and for the excellent opportunities he created for others to participate in and lead the endeavors of our Society. Dr. Sobel’s leadership will be missed, but we will continue to benefit from his counsel in his new role as Executive Officer Emeritus, as well as his ongoing participation in Society activities and functions. And so, a new chapter in the history of the Society begins under the tutelage of another Executive Officer with the hope that our Society will continue to be a strong leader among pathology organizations in the United States and around the world.

A Tremendous Opportunity
"We live in houses we did not build and eat fruit from trees we did not plant” Deuteronomy, 6:11
To say that Dr. Sobel leaves behind big shoes to fill is to understake the obvious. That said, it is a great honor to follow in Dr. Sobel’s footsteps and benefit from the exceptional foundation he has built for all of us to utilize as the Society continues to grow and evolve. Prior to working for ASIP, I was an academic cancer researcher in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine. I was introduced to ASIP by my UNC colleagues, Drs. Joe W. Grisham and David G. Kaufman, both of whom are past presidents of ASIP. They instilled in me the value of membership in a professional society and the overall importance of ASIP for investigators researching the pathology, pathogenesis, and pathophysiology of human diseases and model systems. My first involvement with ASIP was in 1998 as a volunteer when I was invited to join the Program Committee. I remained on this committee for a number of years and was eventually elected as its Chair, at which point I became a member of the ASIP Council. I was fortunate to spend the next 15 continuous years serving on the Council in various roles, including President. Hence, when the occasion arose to seek the position of Executive Officer, one of my best qualifications was my extensive history with and understanding of the Society. As the new Executive Officer, I will rely upon my own experience as an academic scientist and an active ASIP member to drive initiatives designed to benefit the membership and promote individual professional development, as well as represent members as a vibrant segment of the collective scientific community.

Looking Towards the Horizon
"We must run as fast as we can to stay where we are” Lewis Carroll, Through the Looking Glass
Despite strong governance in the past, ASIP faces some challenges moving forward. For 2018, the Council, committees and staff will discuss and act on priorities and initiatives intended to advance the goals of ASIP and provide excellent benefits for our membership. In the process, there will be new opportunities for member engagement, and we hope that everyone will seize those opportunities and participate enthusiastically in ASIP activities and events. We look forward to working with and for you.

See full text at: asip.org/blog

Special Reception Honoring Dr. Mark Sobel at the 2018 ASIP Annual Meeting at EB
Dr. Mark Sobel retired in March 2018 after 17 years as Executive Officer of ASIP.
Please join us to honor and thank Dr. Sobel for his many years of hard work and dedicated service.

Monday, April 23
San Diego Convention Center
This reception will immediately follow the ASIP Business Meeting.
Pathobiology at the Cutting Edge: Disease Mechanisms Driving Prevention, Diagnosis, and Therapy
Join us for an exciting program that reflects 348 abstracts submitted to 26 ASIP topic categories, four full days of sessions, and networking.
Go to asip18.asip.org for the full scientific program.

Saturday, April 21
EB-Wide Tang Lecture
Featured speaker: Feng Zhang, MD

Meet and Greet the AJP Editor-in-Chief
Martha B. Furie, PhD

Sunday, April 22
ASMB Lecture
Featured speaker: Adam Engler, PhD

Presidental Symposium: Inflammation Knows No Borders
Featured speakers: Emily Troemel, PhD, Daniel Remick, MD, Charles Serhan, PhD

Monday, April 23
Meet and Greet the new ASIP Executive Officer
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HCS Symposium: Imaging Biometals in Disease
Featured speakers: Svetlana Lutsenko, PhD, Marianne Wessling-Resnick, PhD

Cell Injury Workshop: Tumor-Associated Parallels with Fibrosis
Featured speakers: Alan Wells, MD, PhD, Anie Philip, PhD, Bogi Andersen, MD

Tuesday, April 24
Journal of Histochemistry & Cytochemistry Lecture
Featured speaker: E. Sally Ward, PhD

SCVP Symposium: Non-Conventional Players in Heart Disease
Featured speaker: Pilar Alcaide, PhD

Club Hepatomania™ Meet the Experts
Featured experts: Xiao-Ming Yin, MD, PhD, Gianfranco Alpini, PhD

Symposium: What's the Big Deal About Big Data
Featured speakers: Shuji Ogino, MD, PhD, Arul Chinnaiyan, MD, PhD

Career Development and Education
Sessions Co-Sponsored by the Education Committee and the Committee for Career Development and Diversity

Saturday, April 21
• Networking Session: Meet the Mentor Breakfast
• Minisymposium: NextGen Science: New Discoveries of Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Fellow Rising Stars
• Workshop on Pathology Graduate Education: Wellness for Students and Faculty

Sunday, April 22
• Workshop and Breakfast: The Mentor/Mentee Relationship: A Two-way Street
• Pathobiology Course for Research Scientists: Infectious Pathogens and Cancer
• Career Development and Mentoring Lunch: The IDP: Highway to Success

Tuesday, April 23
• Lunch and Learn: Science, Statistics, and Getting it Right

Award Lectures
Cotran Early Career Investigator
Pilar Alcaide, PhD
T-cell Immune Responses and Cardiotropism in Heart Failure

Outstanding Investigator
Shuji Ogino, MD, PhD
Integrative Molecular Pathological Epidemiology: Creating Scientific Frontiers for Discovery from Large-Scale Pathobiological Studies

Rous-Whipple
Charles Serhan, MD
Decoding Novel Resolution Mediators & Mechanisms in Infectious Inflammation and Tissue Regeneration

Save the Date
Pathobiology for Investigators, Students, and Academicians
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI
Oct 20-22, 2018
PISA2018.org
Scientific Interest Groups

Breast Cancer
Saturday, April 21
Breast Cancer and Gene Regulation Workshop:
Role of the Chromatin Landscape in Cancer Causation and Treatment
Featured speakers: Michael Green, MD, PhD, Shannon Lauberth, PhD, Bing Ren, PhD, William Kraus, PhD

Sunday, April 22
Minisymposium: Breast Cancer: Pathogenesis and Pathways to Therapy

Monday, April 23
Poster session: Breast Cancer: Models and Mechanisms

Club Hepatomania™
Sunday, April 22
• Pathobiology Workshop: Hepatobiliary Disease
  Featured speakers: Min You, PhD, Gianfranco Alpini, PhD, Andrew Duncan, PhD, Huiping Zhou, PhD, Jacqelyn Mahler, MD, Chandrashekhar Gandhi, PhD
• Minisymposium: Molecular Basis of Chronic Liver Injury

Monday, April 23
Symposium: The Bridge Between Liver Injury and Regeneration
Featured speakers: Udyan Apte, PhD, James Luyendyk, PhD, George Michalopoulos, MD, PhD, Tatiana Kisselova, MD, PhD, Heather Francis, PhD, Ariel Feldstein, MD

Tuesday, April 24
• Minisymposium: Liver Regeneration, Cholestatic Injury, and Cancer
• Networking session: Club Hepatomania - Meet the Experts
  Featured experts: Xiao-Ming Yin, MD, PhD, Gianfranco Alpini, PhD

VAMP
Sunday, April 22
Symposium: Inflammation, Immunopathology, and Mucosal Disease Mechanisms
Featured speakers: Catherine Hedrick, PhD, Nicholas Lukacs, PhD, Francis Luscinskas, PhD, Mauro Perretti, PhD

Monday, April 23
Minisymposium: Biology and Pathobiology of Epithelial Barriers

Tuesday, April 24
Minisymposium: Matrix, Mucosa, and Inflammation: An Uneasy Alliance

Cell Injury
Sunday, April 22
Symposium: Cellular Adaptive Response to Tissue Injury, Tumorigenesis, and Cancer Progression
Featured speakers: Michael Karin, PhD, Win-Xing Ding, PhD, Geng-Sheng Feng, PhD, Li Wang, PhD, Aurelia Lugea, PhD, Neil Kaplowitz, MD

Monday, April 23
• Cell Injury Workshop: Tumor-Associated Parallels with Fibrosis
  Featured speakers: Alan Wells, MD, PhD, Anie Philip, PhD, Bogi Andersen, MD
• Minisymposium: Mechanisms of Injury, Inflammation, and Repair in the Failing Heart

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#ASIP2018 includes several sessions of specific interest to our Scientific Interest Groups - Full program at ASIP18.ASIP.ORG
The New Year brought some changes to *The American Journal of Pathology* (AJP). In January, AJP welcomed a new Editor-in-Chief: Dr. Martha B. Furie. Along with newly appointed Senior Associate Editors Drs. William B. Coleman and Richard N. Mitchell, the Journal entered 2018 with the new tagline: Discoveries in Basic and Translational Pathobiology, and broadened the scope:

*The American Journal of Pathology,* official journal of the American Society for Investigative Pathology, published by Elsevier, Inc., seeks high-quality original research reports, reviews, and commentaries related to the molecular and cellular basis of disease. The editors will consider basic, translational, and clinical investigations that directly address mechanisms of pathogenesis or provide a foundation for future mechanistic inquiries. Examples of such foundational investigations include data mining, identification of biomarkers, molecular pathology, and discovery research. High priority is given to studies of human disease and relevant experimental models using molecular, cellular, and organismal approaches.

*AJP* is pleased to report that total submissions in 2017 surpassed the number of submissions received in 2016. This is the first increase in submission numbers for almost a decade. We are additionally pleased to report that the number of submissions received from ASIP Regular Members also increased in 2017. Fifty-three submissions from members were received in 2017, 23 of which have been accepted for publication so far (others are still in revision). The Editors and staff at AJP thank all of our authors for publishing with us and encourage members to bear the new scope in mind when preparing manuscripts for submission. We look forward to building on the positive momentum from 2017 and continuing to publish more member authored work in the years to come.

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