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**William B. Coleman, PhD, Receives the  
2013 ASIP Outstanding Investigator Award**



Dr. William B. Coleman, Professor in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, is the recipient of the 2013 Outstanding Investigator Award. This prestigious award recognizes mid-career investigators with demonstrated excellence in research in experimental pathology.

Dr. Coleman has been recognized as one of the leading researchers in the field of liver carcinogenesis. He has also branched out to other human cancers in search of molecular mechanisms of disease etiology, particularly in breast cancer. Dr. Coleman is a Professor in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and holds faculty appointments in the

Curriculum in Toxicology, the Environmental Pathology Training Program, the Cancer Biology Program and the Translational Medicine Program.

Dr. J. Charles Jennette, Dr. Coleman's department chair at the University of North Carolina, describes him as "an accomplished cancer researcher who is elucidating previously unrecognized mechanisms for epigenetic regulation of normal and abnormal gene expression." In addition, "to a much greater extent than most other accomplished investigators," Dr. Jennette commends Dr. Coleman as making "the extra effort to be a major player in local and national educational efforts, and to make sustained major contributions to societies that advance basic biomedical research, especially ASIP."

Dr. Gregory Tsongalis, Professor of Pathology at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, states that Dr. Coleman "exhibits superb research efforts, excellent teaching abilities and profound mentoring capabilities." According to Dr. Mark E. Sobel, ASIP Executive Officer, past ASIP president and ASIP member, Dr. Coleman's contributions to ASIP include Program Chair (2002-2004), Councilor (2004-2007), and Secretary-Treasurer (2007-present), as well as participation in many committees, and he considers Dr. Coleman "to be one of the most illustrious researchers of our membership in the under age-50 group."

Dr. Coleman received his B.S. degree magna cum laude from Wingate College and his Ph.D. degree in Biochemistry from the Bowman Gray School of Medicine/Wake Forest University. He is the recipient of numerous institutional awards and funding from the Susan G. Komen Foundation and the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Coleman has published more than 60 peer-

reviewed manuscripts, 55 invited reviews and book chapters, and co-edited 7 textbooks. In addition, the work from his laboratory has resulted in over 125 published abstracts and numerous oral presentations for which most of his students have received national awards.

Dr. Coleman presented his award lecture, "Targeting the Epigenome for Improved Treatment of Triple-Negative Breast Cancer," on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at the ASIP Annual Meeting (Experimental Biology 2013) in Boston, MA. He received the Outstanding Investigator Award on Monday, April 22, 2013 at the ASIP Awards Presentation and Membership Business Meeting.