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HOUSTON PATHOLOGIST NAMED PATHOLOGIST OF THE YEAR
National Pathologist Association Recognizes Philip T. Cagle, MD, FCAP

NORTHFIELD, ILL.—Philip T. Cagle, MD, FCAP, of Houston, Texas, was named the 2013 Pathologist of the Year by the College of American Pathologists. Dr. Cagle was recognized at special ceremony held on October 13, 2013 at the College’s annual meeting, CAP’13—THE Pathologists’ Meeting.

Dr. Cagle received the award, the CAP’s highest honor, in recognition for his outstanding contributions as editor of the College’s award-winning peer-reviewed journal—Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine. He was also recognized with the CAP Distinguished Patient Care Award for serving as co-chair in the development of the CAP lung cancer biomarker evidence-based guideline. The recommendations mark a significant breakthrough in the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer and were a joint project with the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer and the Association for Molecular Pathology.

“I am deeply humbled and honored to be recognized by the College of American Pathologists, an organization dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in laboratory medicine,” said Dr. Cagle. “It is a distinct privilege to accept the Pathologist of the Year award and the Distinguished Patient Care award on behalf of my esteemed colleagues at the CAP.”

Currently, Dr. Cagle is the S. Donald Greenberg chair and director of pulmonary pathology for the Houston Methodist Hospital; he also is professor of pathology at the Weill Cornell Medical College in New York City. Throughout his 30-year career, Dr. Cagle has provided editorial counsel to peer-reviewed publications, received academic appointments, and has presented research across the globe.

With his undergraduate degree in biology from Lambuth College in Jackson, Tenn., Dr. Cagle earned his medical degree with a pathology fellowship from the University of Tennessee College of Medicine in Memphis. Following pathology residency at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, where he was appointed chief resident in year four, Dr. Cagle completed a post-doctoral fellowship in pulmonary research at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver. Later he studied molecular diagnostics at the cellular level in workshop training at the Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston.

The American Board of Pathology certifies Dr. Cagle in clinical and anatomic pathology; he holds medical licensure in Texas and Tennessee.

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About Pathologists and Pathology
Pathologists are physicians who use laboratory medicine and technology to identify and diagnose disease. They work with primary care physicians and others on the patient care team to guide treatment plans. In fact, more than 70 percent of all decisions about diagnosis, treatment, hospital admission, and discharge rest on the pathologist's report.

About the CAP
As the leading organization for board-certified pathologists, the College of American Pathologists (CAP) serves patients, pathologists, and the public by fostering and advocating excellence in the practice of pathology and laboratory medicine worldwide. With more than 18,000 physician members, the CAP has led laboratory accreditation for more than 50 years with more than 7,500 CAP-accredited laboratories in 50 countries. Find more information about the CAP at cap.org. Follow CAP on Twitter: @pathologists.

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