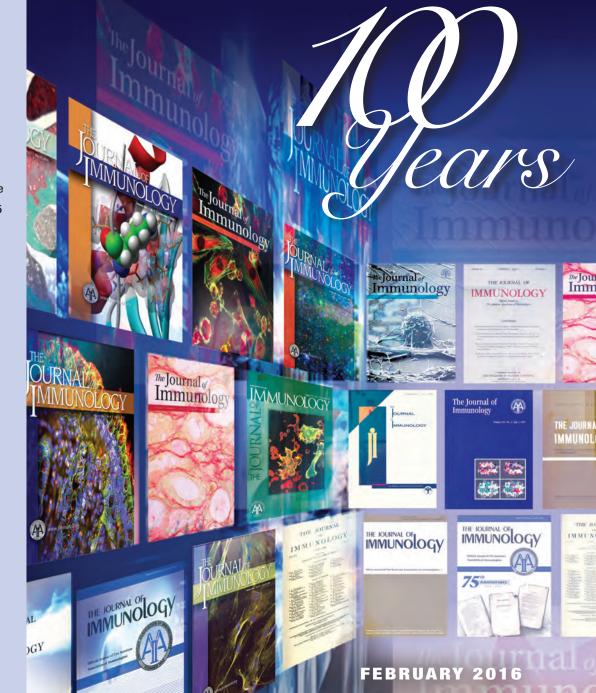


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The American Association of Immunologists Career Award Recipients for 2016

The American Association of Immunologists proudly announces the 2016 recipients of AAI awards for outstanding research and career achievements. The 2016 AAI award winners will be recognized at IMMUNOLOGY 2016[™] May 13–17, Seattle, Washington.



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In recognition of a career of scientific achievement and contributions to AAI and fellow immunologists

Olivera J. Finn, Ph.D. University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine



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Mitchell Kronenberg, Ph.D. La Jolla Institute for Allergy & Immunology

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Lieping Chen, M.D., Ph.D. Yale University School of Medicine

AAI-BioLegend Herzenberg Award



research contributions to the field of immunology in the area of B cell biology

For outstanding

John F. Kearney, Ph.D. University of Alabama, Birmingham

AAI-Thermo Fisher Meritorious Career Award



For outstanding research contributions to the field of immunology

Kenneth M. Murphy, M.D., Ph.D. HHMI, Washington University School of Medicine



AAI-BD Biosciences Investigator Award

For outstanding, early-career research contributions to the field of immunology

Ming Li, Ph.D. Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Cornell University



AAI Excellence in Mentoring Award

In recognition of exemplary career contributions to a future generation of scientists

Richard A. Flavell, Ph.D. HHMI, Yale University School of Medicine



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FOCUS ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

President Obama Emphasizes Importance of Biomedical Research in State of the Union

President Obama delivered his eighth and final State of the Union (SOTU) address on January 12 (read the full address at: www.whitehouse. gov > Briefing Room > Speeches & Remarks). The president highlighted advances in biomedical research as well as future opportunities, including the establishment of a new "moonshot" effort to work toward a cure for cancer.

During his address, Obama announced that Vice President Joe Biden would be in charge of this "new national effort to get it done." Biden launched the cancer initiative on January 15 at the Penn Medicine Abramson Cancer Center in Philadelphia, a venue selected "to call attention to the institute's pioneering efforts on immunotherapy" (see: http://abcnews.go.com/Technology/ wireStory/biden-sees-politics-cancer-world-obstacle-cure-36307857).

The establishment of this new program follows remarks made by Biden last October when he officially announced that he would not seek the Democratic nomination for president. In those remarks (read his full statement at www. whitehouse.gov > Briefing Room > Speeches & Remarks), Biden spoke of his desire to see, and bipartisan support for, "a moonshot in this country to cure cancer."

The president made several other notable statements about biomedical research during the SOTU address. Calling medical research "critical," he praised Biden for working with Congress "to give scientists at the National Institutes of Health the strongest resources that they've had in over a decade." Looking forward, the president said that "we're on track to end the scourge of HIV/AIDS ... and we have the chance to accomplish the same thing with malaria – something I'll be pushing this Congress to fund this year."

AAI Letter Expresses Concern About Congressional Efforts to Re-allocate Funding at NIH

AAI sent a letter to Senator Bill Cassidy (R-LA) in early December expressing concern about his "recent efforts to legislate the re-allocation of funding within the NIH portfolio." Cassidy has repeatedly said that he believes a disproportionate share of NIH funding is devoted to HIV/AIDS research and recently offered a legislative solution to address that concern.

The AAI letter (see: www.aai.org > Public Affairs > Letters and Comments), sent by AAI Committee on Public Affairs (CPA) Chair Clifford Harding, states that AAI "recognizes that Congress has oversight authority over NIH, and agrees that NIH has an ongoing responsibility to reevaluate its research portfolio," but also that "AAI believes that scientific discovery most quickly advances when NIH leadership, in consultation with the scientific community, is able to decide how to allocate funds."

During an October hearing on NIH, Cassidy challenged NIH Director Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D., regarding the percent of funding (about 10 percent of its budget) that NIH continued to allocate (after expiration of the Congressional mandate) to HIV/AIDS research, asking whether NIH would allocate 10 percent of any funding increase to this disease category. After describing a recent NIH decision to limit HIV/AIDS funding to only the highest priority research, Collins conceded that NIH would likely reduce the percentage allocated to HIV/AIDS research in the event of a significant funding boost.

FOCUS ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS (CONTINUED)

In June, during full committee consideration of the Senate Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies (Labor-HHS) appropriations bill, Cassidy offered an amendment to cut more than \$200 million in funding from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) and to reallocate the funding to several other NIH institutes that focus on neurodegenerative diseases. Cassidy believed that the amendment would force NIH to re-prioritize funding away from HIV/AIDS research. Although the amendment failed by a vote of 6-23, Senate Labor-HHS Appropriations Subcommittee Chair Roy Blunt (R-MO) agreed that this issue warranted additional consideration.

The recently enacted omnibus appropriations bill for fiscal year (FY) 2016 does not directly cut funding for HIV/AIDS research at NIH. It is, however, accompanied by report language that addresses the issue of NIH priority setting: "NIH should consider burden of disease when setting priorities and developing strategic plans across its ICs to address conditions (such as Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, heart disease, and cancer) with significant opportunity to improve the current or future health of the American population by targeting funding toward cures and better treatment."

NIH Submits Strategic Plan to Congress

Plan Includes AAI Suggestions

In December, NIH submitted a strategic plan to Congress that describes the framework that NIH will use to address challenges and opportunities over the next five years. The strategic plan incorporates suggestions from the public, NIH institute and center directors and staff, and the NIH Advisory Council to the Director. Its development was mandated by Congress in the FY 2015 appropriations law, which set a development and submission deadline of December 2015.

The plan framework includes an overview and four main objectives: advancing opportunities in biomedical research; setting priorities; enhancing stewardship; and excelling as a federal science agency by managing results. NIH identified three main opportunities in biomedical research: fundamental science, health promotion/ disease prevention, and treatments/cures. Each section of the plan contains past examples of each objective and issues that NIH intends to focus on in the future.

Last August, AAI submitted suggestions (see: www. aai.org > Public Affairs > Letters and Comments) to NIH in response to its request for public comment. AAI

encouraged NIH to emphasize the importance of basic research and to include examples of how fundamental biological discoveries "led to unexpected improvements in human or animal health." In addition, AAI urged NIH to include vaccines, immunotherapeutics, and the immune system as cross-cutting concepts that will be important to the advancement of the NIH mission. Most of the AAI suggestions were incorporated in the strategic plan; AAI was particularly pleased to see included an excellent example of basic research leading to the development of cancer immunotherapy: "...it must be emphasized that cancer immunotherapy owes its success to decades of NIH-funded fundamental science. In fact, a recent analysis of a cancer immunotherapy approach ... documented the contributions of 7,067 scientists over more than a century, with many working on basic research with no clear connection to cancer" (http:// www.nih.gov/sites/default/files/about-nih/strategicplan-fy2016-2020-508.pdf).

NIH Implements New Reproducibility Guidelines

Delays Implementation for Select Grant Mechanisms

In October 2015, NIH announced changes for grant applications that are designed to improve rigor and transparency in research. This announcement addressed four areas: "1) the scientific premise of the proposed research, 2) rigorous experimental design for robust and unbiased results, 3) consideration of relevant biological variables, and 4) authentication of key biological and/or chemical resources." The revised guidelines went into effect on January 25, 2016, for most grant mechanisms, including the investigator-initiated research project grant (R01).

Implementation of these guidelines has been delayed for institutional training grants (T), individual fellowships (F), and institutional career development awards (K12). The changes will instead go into effect "as early as FY 2017."

More information on rigor and reproducibility in research and on the new grant application guidelines can be found on the NIH Office of Extramural Research website (http://grants.nih.gov/reproducibility/index.htm).

FASEB Releases Report on Enhancing Reproducibility

The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) recently released a report, entitled "Enhancing Research Reproducibility," which outlines factors that impede reproducibility and suggests actions that can be taken to reduce the effect of these variables. The report focuses on general scientific issues, as well as two areas of specialization (mouse models and antibodies), and recommends using uniform definitions, reporting important experimental details, and improving training in rigor and experimental design.

The report is the product of four FASEB-hosted meetings that featured discussions among invited experts, NIH officials, FASEB board members, and FASEB member society representatives. AAI CPA member Jonathan Harton, Ph.D.; former AAI CPA Chair William Green, Ph.D.; and AAI Science Policy Analyst Monika Schneider, Ph.D., represented AAI at one or more of the meetings. The final document can be found at www.faseb.org > Science Policy & Advocacy > Science Policy & Research Issues > Research Reproducibility.

NCI Implements New Grant Mechanism to Retain Early Cancer Researchers

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) released a Request for Applications in December for a Predoctoral to Postdoctoral Fellow Transition Award (F99/K00). The purpose of this award is "to encourage and retain outstanding graduate students who have demonstrated potential and interest in pursuing careers as independent cancer researchers." This grant mechanism was first approved during the NCI Board of Scientific Advisors meeting in March 2015.

The Predoctoral to Postdoctoral Fellow Transition Award would be implemented in two phases: the F99 phase would cover one to two years of dissertation research during graduate school, and the K00 transition phase would provide support for up to four years of mentored postdoctoral research.

This award would incentivize talented graduate students to continue cancer studies through their postdoctoral appointments by providing a salary stipend that is higher than the NIH National Research Service Award; the salary during the first year would be up to \$50,000 and could increase over four years to \$59,000. Individuals may receive up to six years of combined support.

NCI plans to fund up to 30 awards in FY 2016. The submission period for this award opened on January 19, 2016, and will close on February 19, 2016.



Important Dates for Two AAI Awards Programs

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AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowships

KEY DATES

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Consideration is based on the merit of the PI's proposed project, potential of the trainee, and quality of the training environment.

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AWARDS CYCLE	APPLICATIONS OPEN	APPLICATIONS CLOSE
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The Travel for Techniques Award is given to member PIs, reimbursing up to \$1,500 in expenses for travel to learn a new technique. Member PIs in good standing with less than \$250,000 (excluding PI's salary) in annual direct costs are eligible to apply.

Direct inquiries to tft@aai.org.

These two exciting awards programs were launched by The American Association of Immunologists in 2014, adding significantly to its already robust support for scientists through fellowships, career awards, and travel grants. For more information, visit www.aai.org/awards.

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Hunter Is Appointed President's Distinguished Professor at Penn



Christopher A. Hunter

Christopher A. Hunter,

Ph.D., AAI '96, has been named the inaugural Mindy Halikman Heyer President's Distinguished Professor at the University of Pennsylvania (Penn). The \$3 million endowment will advance Hunter's research on how the immune system protects animals and humans from infectious disease.

Dr. Hunter holds appointments as professor and Department

of Pathobiology chair at Penn's School of Veterinary Medicine (Penn Vet). His lab has long worked in the field of parasitology, particularly focusing on both protective and pathologic immune responses to infection with the protozoan parasite Toxoplasma gondii. Early work with Trypanosoma parasites, the cause of African sleeping sickness, began a longstanding interest in the neuropathogenesis of infectious disease, including the characterization of cytokines produced in the central nervous system during infection, the mechanisms by which lymphocytes access this site, and the role of activated astrocytes in infection. This initial work with cytokines led to studies identifying contributions of a variety of cytokine and costimulatory pathways to the regulation of NK and T cell responses during parasitic infection. Hunter's laboratory has extended this work to focus on how transcription factors downstream of cytokines, including JAK-STAT and NF-B, are used to modulate immune function during infection and how pathogens interfere with these signaling pathways. A great deal of work in the lab has focused on the IL-12 family of cytokines, particularly IL-27 and its role in limiting T. gondii infection-induced inflammatory processes, and current studies also address the roles of the IL-6 cytokine family in the balance between protective and pathologic anti-parasite immunity. With their collaborators, the Hunter laboratory has used transgenic technology for higher resolution analyses of parasite interactions with T cells and dendritic cells and has applied multiphoton microscopy to image the innate and adaptive immune response to T. gondii in different tissues. Hunter's work, having shown relevance to other types of infectious diseases as well as autoimmunity, asthma, and cancer, continues its far-reaching impact on the field and on strategies aimed at modulating the immune response.

Hunter has served on the AAI Committee on Public Affairs and AAI Program Committee and is a past associate editor and section editor for *The Journal of Immunology*. He has served as a major symposium chair and speaker at the AAI annual meeting, director of the AAI Introductory Course in Immunology (multiple years), and instructor on a number of occasions at the AAI Introductory and Advanced Immunology Courses.

Hunter cited the role of his AAI membership and service in fostering the career momentum reflected in his new Penn appointment. "AAI has taught me so much and is a major part of what I have managed to achieve in two decades at Penn. Early participation in organizing an AAI session that first broke news of the variation in the IL-12 family drew standing-room-only attendance and brought key recognition and interest in what the field was doing. The privilege of subsequent AAI service has steadily enhanced my profile and traction as a scientist, from working with the Program Committee and as a meeting speaker and session organizer to serving as a reviewer and then section editor for *The JI* and as a teacher at the AAI summer courses. Uniquely rewarding in their own right, these experiences have been pivotal for me in ways that help define career success for scientists."

Hunter has served on numerous review and advisory panels on behalf of NIH (multiple study sections, AIDS Fellowships program, NIH Comparison Pilot Reviews; external reviewer, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke intramural programs; and National Cancer Institute inflammation and cancer programs), as well as the National Science Foundation, Wellcome Trust, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Gates Foundation, and University of Virginia Infectious Diseases and Biodefense training program. Hunter's continuing and past editorial appointments include service on behalf of *Infection and Immunity, Current Immunology Reviews, Journal of Experimental Medicine, Journal of Clinical Investigation*, and *Microbes and Infection*.

Hunter's additional career appointments and honors include: elected fellow, American Academy of Microbiology; elected fellow, Royal Society of Edinburgh; elected member, Midwinter Conference of Immunologists Council; senior investigator, American Asthma Foundation; Burroughs Wellcome Young Investigator Award; Irvington Research Scholar; Pfizer Award for Research Excellence, Cormie Prize in Neurology; and member, Scientific Advisory Board, Surface Oncology (cancer immunotherapy firm). He has helped organize meetings, including: Biannual Toxoplasma Meeting, Midwinter Conference of Immunologists, Keystone Biology of Cytokines Meeting, Burroughs Wellcome Fund Parasitology T32 Meeting (multiple), International Cytokine Society Meeting (multiple), Woods Hole Immunoparasitology Meeting (multiple), and Woods Hole Biology of Parasitism Course (multiple, including as course director).

A zoology graduate of the University of Glasgow, Hunter received his Ph.D. in parasite biochemistry from the same

institution, thereafter serving as a postdoctoral fellow in parasite neuroimmunology at the university's School of Veterinary Medicine. He undertook additional postdoctoral training in parasite immunology at Stanford University/ Palo Alto Medical Foundation Research Institute, where he subsequently served as a research associate. In 1996, Hunter joined the Penn faculty as an assistant professor of parasitology; he was promoted to associate professor in 2001 and full professor in 2005. He has served as Department of Pathobiology chair since 2007 and as director of Penn Vet's Center for Host-Microbial Interactions since 2012.

Roslyn Kemp is Miriam Dell Awardee



Roslyn A. Kemp, Ph.D.,

AAI '13, has been named the 2015 recipient of the Association for Women in the Sciences (AWIS) Miriam Dell Award for her work inspiring female immunologists across Australasia through mentoring.

The biennial Dell award honors those who demonstrate outstanding mentoring to foster the entry and retention of women in science, mathematics, or technology.

Kemp's award specifically recognizes her work with students and her role in instigating the Women's Initiative of the Australasian Society for Immunology. One of the initiative's major components, coordinated and managed by Dr. Kemp, provides mentorship opportunities for female immunologists at all career stages. Since its introduction in late 2013, more than 85 mentors have been enlisted and more than 25 mentoring relationships established.

Kemp is a senior lecturer in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology at New Zealand's University of Otago, Dunedin. Her research focuses on gut-specific immunity, with a particular emphasis on understanding the complexity of T cell and myeloid cell responses under homeostatic conditions, as well as in the chronic intestinal disease milieu of inflammatory bowel diseases and colorectal cancer. Her lab has characterized unique T cell cytokine signatures in Crohn's and ankylosing spondylitis patients without active disease and identified how different T cell subsets impact the tumor microenvironment in colorectal cancer patients. Her lab continues to strive toward improving the diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment for these diseases by determining the predictive value of T cells infiltrating the gut mucosa and tumors versus those found in lymph nodes in colorectal cancer patients. Kemp also investigates the generation of gut-specific immunity through the use of vaccines administered locally, with the end objective of generating and maintaining effective T cell memory populations that could be used to combat colorectal cancer.

Through her mentoring as an undergraduate teacher, Kemp is credited with helping inspire a dramatic increase in recent years in the number of female students in immunology programs at the graduate and postgraduate level across Australasia. Her efforts have placed a special emphasis on supporting young female Maori students into postgraduate study.

Kemp was a 2015 AAI Junior Faculty Travel Grant recipient. Her additional career appointments and honors include: National Tertiary Teaching Excellence Award; University of Otago Award for Teaching Excellence; New Zealand Councilor and New Zealand representative, Infection and Immunity Special Interest Group, Australasian Society of Immunology (ASI); University of Otago Supervisor of the Year; associate investigator, Maurice Wilkins Centre; chair, New Zealand ASI Immunology Conference Organizing Committee; Founding and Steering Committee member, Gut Health Network; member, ASI Annual Meeting Local Organizing Committee; member, New Zealand Society for Oncology (NZSO); member, Formulation and Delivery of Bioactives Meeting Steering Committee; University of Otago Flow Cytometry Facility Committee; Otago School of Medical Sciences Maori Student Support; Global Health Travel Award, Keystone Symposia; and Eli Lilly Award for best presentation, NZSO annual meeting. Kemp has served as an invited session chair, speaker, or keynote speaker at meetings and symposia throughout New Zealand as well as in Australia and Italy.

An honors graduate (microbiology) of the University of Otago, Kemp received her Ph.D. in immunology from the University of Otago, Wellington, and Malaghan Institute of Medical Research. She completed postdoctoral fellowships at the Trudeau Institute and Nuffield Department of Medicine, Oxford University (UK), and subsequently, served as a Medical Research Council (UK) Career Development Fellow at the National Institute of Medical Research, London. In 2008, she joined the University of Otago's Cancer Genetics Laboratory as a research fellow; she was appointed lecturer in the university's Department of Microbiology and Immunology in 2009 and has served as senior lecturer since 2013.

Gwendalyn Randolph is NIH Pioneer Awardee



Gwendalyn J. Randolph,

Ph.D., AAI '01, has been named a 2015 NIH Director's Pioneer Award recipient for research that will apply her expertise in immune cell and lipoprotein trafficking to examine vascular changes in the pathogenesis of human Crohn's disease.

Dr. Randolph is a professor of pathology and immunology and chief of the Division of Immunobiology at Washington University School of Medicine.

Her research integrates the study of monocytes, monocytederived cells, and dendritic cells (DCs) with vascular and lymphatic vessel biology. Her laboratory has pioneered approaches to study the migration of monocytes and DCs across vascular and lymphatic barriers and to lymph nodes in various tissues. Studies of the fate of monocyte-derived cells after they leave the blood and enter tissues led to investigation of how DCs emigrate through lymphatics to enter lymph nodes. The lab also focuses on monocyte and DC migration in acute and chronic inflammation and the role of macrophage egress versus cell death in the resolution of inflammation. With the use of atherosclerosis as a model of chronic inflammation, Randolph's lab studies the accumulation of monocytes and DCs in atherosclerotic plaques and how this is regulated by cholesterol. More recently, her group has developed an interest in the functional properties of lymphatic vessels and the adipose tissue that surrounds them, exploring crosstalk between immune cells and lymphatics and ways in which these interactions might affect lymphatic function, immune and inflammatory responses, and adipose tissue. They are working to relate these interactions to metabolic and inflammatory diseases, including Crohn's disease, and future work will investigate vascular changes in the pathogenesis of Crohn's disease.

Randolph is a past associate editor and section editor for *The Journal of Immunology*. She has served as a major symposium chair and speaker and careers roundtable discussion leader at the AAI annual meeting as well as an instructor on multiple occasions at the AAI advanced and introductory immunology courses.

Randolph holds editorial appointments with *Arteriosclerosis*, *Thrombosis*, and *Vascular Biology*, *Journal of Clinical Investigation*, and *Journal of Experimental Medicine*; has held past such appointments with the *Annual Review of Immunology*, *Immunological Reviews*, *Lymphatic Research* and Biology, and Lymphatics and Metabolism; and serves as an ad hoc reviewer for Blood, Circulation, Circulation Research, Journal of Lipid Research, Immunity, Nature, Nature Immunology, Nature Medicine, Nature Reviews Immunology, PLOS One, PNAS, and Science.

Randolph's review panel experience includes service on behalf of NIH (Board of Scientific Counselors, Laboratory of Clinical Investigation; Immunobiology Fellowship Study Section; ad hoc reviewer, multiple study sections), Leducq Foundation, Rainin Foundation Innovator Awards Program, Crohn's Colitis Foundation of America, VaxDesign, Inc., and New York City Science and Engineering Fair/ Intel Science Talent Search. She has co-organized and/or chaired scientific sessions on behalf of the American Heart Association, Gordon Conferences, and Keystone Symposia and has presented numerous invited lectures at meetings and institutions throughout the United States and overseas (including Australia, Belgium, Canada, England, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Norway, Portugal, Scotland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and The Netherlands).

Her additional career honors include: Rainin Foundation Innovator Award and Breakthrough Award; R&D 100 Award (co-recipient), R&D Magazine; American Heart Association Established Investigator Award; Dr. Harold and Golden Lamport Research Award and Faculty Council Award for Academic Excellence, Mount Sinai School of Medicine: Cancer Research Institute Investigator Award; Dendritic Cell Maven Award, 5th International Symposium on Dendritic Cells: Individual National Research Service Award, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, NIH; Graduate Council Commendation of Outstanding Graduate Students and Aaron Janoff Award in Experimental Pathology, State University of New York (SUNY) at Stony Brook; and College of Arts and Sciences Alumni First Prize for Scholarship, Otto Kurschner Award for Excellence in Science, and Intellectual Heritage Prize for Excellence in Critical Writing, Temple University.

A biology graduate (with highest honors) from Temple University, Randolph received her Ph.D. in cellular and molecular pathology from SUNY at Stony Brook (advisor: Martha Furie). Under the co-mentorship of Ralph Steinman and William Muller, she completed postdoctoral fellowships at Rockefeller University and Cornell University Medical College. She subsequently served as an instructor at Weill Medical College of Cornell University and adjunct faculty member at Rockefeller. In 2000, she was appointed an assistant professor at Mount Sinai School of Medicine, where she was later promoted to associate professor (2006), member of the Immunology Institute (2007), and full professor (2010). In 2011, she moved to the Department of Pathology at Washington University School of Medicine, where she has served as chief of the department's Division of Immunobiology since 2015.

Emil Unanue Is Sanofi-Pasteur Awardee



Emil R. Unanue

Emil R. Unanue, M.D., AAI

'66, is the recipient of a 2015 Sanofi-Institut Pasteur Award for Biomedical Research in recognition of his contributions to the field of immunology.

Dr. Unanue is Paul and Ellen Lacy Professor of Pathology and Immunology at Washington University School of Medicine. He has pioneered fundamental advances in the field of antigen processing and presentation, elucidating the biochemical

basis of T cell recognition of antigen. His work was the first to controvert dogma that macrophages served only to destroy dead cells and pathogens, showing that these cells can actually present antigen to T cells. Unanue also made strides in the field to show that proteins need to be processed intracellularly before being recognized by T cells. In 1985, members of his lab published one of the most highly cited, pivotal immunology articles of all time, which demonstrated that major histocompatibility complex (MHC) molecules are able to bind peptides and that these MHC-peptide complexes activate T cells. Unanue's current work continues to build on these ground-breaking antigen processing and presentation studies in the context of mouse models of autoimmune diabetes and *Listeria monocytogenes* infection and combines biochemical analyses of peptide:MHC II binding, in vivo imaging of antigen presentation, and mass spectrometry investigation of the antigen-presenting cell MHC-peptidome to inform his research.

Unanue was the 2014 recipient of the AAI Lifetime Achievement Award. He has served as an associate and section editor for *The Journal of Immunology (The JI)* and as member and chair of *The JI* editorial board. He is a past member of the AAI Awards Committee, AAI Publications Committee (including as chair), AAI Nominating Committee (chair), and AAI Education Committee. At the AAI meeting, Unanue has been an AAI Distinguished Lecturer (2002), major symposium chair and speaker, and presenter of the AAI Minority Affairs Committee Guest Lecture.

Unanue is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Medicine and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. His additional career honors include: Albert Lasker Basic Medical Research Award; William B. Coley Award; Robert Koch Gold Medal; Gairdner Foundation International Award (co-recipient); Master Lecturer, 14th International Congress of Immunology; Irvington Institute Scientific Leadership in Immunology Award; Rous-Whipple Award, American Society for Investigative Pathology; Marie T. Bonazinga Annual Research Award, Reticuloendothelial Society; Guggenheim Fellowship; Parke Davis Award, American Society for Experimental Pathology; Research Career Development Award, NIH; and T. Duckett Jones Award and foundation fellowship, Helen Hay Whitney Foundation.

A past president and councilor of the American Association of Pathologists, Unanue has held review and advisory panel appointments on behalf of NIH (pathology study section; National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Allergy and Immunology Research Committee), as well as the National Academy of Sciences (section chair); Lupus Research Institute; Howard Hughes Medical Institute; Pew National Advisory Council; Reticuloendothelial Society: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute: Harvard Medical School; Harold C. Simmons Arthritis Research Center; Terri Gotthelf Lupus Research Institute; National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine; Imagine Foundation (Paris); Abbott Laboratories; Igenica, Inc.; and RJR Nabisco Scholars Program. His current and past journal editorial appointments include service on behalf of Molecular Medicine, Advances in Immunology, International Immunology, Immunity, Immunological Reviews, Encyclopedia of Immunology (2nd ed.), Science, Modern Pathology, The FASEB Journal, Microbiological Reviews, Annual Review of Immunology, Lymphokines, Vox Sanguinis, Laboratory Investigation, Journal of the Reticuloendothelial Society, International Archives of Allergy and Applied Immunology, and Clinical Immunology and Immunopathology.

Unanue received his medical degree from the University of Havana School of Medicine in 1960. He subsequently completed his medical internship (pathology) at Presbyterian University Hospital, Pittsburgh; a research fellowship (experimental pathology) at the Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation; and a research fellowship (immunology) at the National Institute for Medical Research, London. After returning to Scripps as an associate in experimental pathology, Unanue joined the Harvard Medical School faculty in 1970 as an assistant professor in the Department of Pathology. There, he subsequently held appointments as associate professor and then as Mallinckrodt Professor of Immunopathology, while serving as a consultant in pathology at Brigham and Women's Hospital. In 1985, Unanue relocated to Washington University School of Medicine, where he held appointments as Mallinckrodt Professor and chairman of the Department of Pathology and Immunology and as pathologist-in-chief of Barnes-Jewish Hospital until 2006.

John H. Weis, Ph.D., AAI '87 1955-2015

AAI extends condolences to the family, friends, and colleagues of AAI member John H. Weis, Ph.D., AAI '87, a past associate editor for The Journal of Immunology, who died on December 11. Surviving family members include his wife and AAI member colleague Janis J. Weis, Ph.D., AAI '87. The following remembrance is adapted from an obituary published by the Weis family in the Salt Lake Tribune on December 15. AAI gratefully acknowledges the family's permission to adapt and extend the obituary in presenting the tribute here.

John Haynes Weis, husband, father, son, brother, mentor, educator, and outdoor advocate, passed away at home on December 11th from glioblastoma.

John was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, in 1955, the third child of Robert E. and Adrienne H. Weis. He graduated from Oregon State University and received his Ph.D. in microbiology from the University of Minnesota. Following postdoctoral training at Harvard Medical School, John embarked on a nearly three-decade academic career at the University of Utah. John was married to Janis J. Weis, and they have twin daughters Julie and Allison. John was extremely proud of the academic and personal accomplishments of his daughters—Julie's as a medical student, scientist, and Outward Bound instructor with a master's degree in public health; and Allison's as a Ph.D. candidate in microbiology, scientist, teacher, and volunteer in Latin America.

John held the George S. Weber Presidential Endowed Chair in Immunology at the University of Utah, where he served for 27 years as a member of the Department of Pathology faculty. His research focused on fundamental regulation of immune responses, including mast cell development, complement receptor expression by distinct cell types, and transcriptional regulation of B and T lymphocyte maturation. A major emphasis throughout his career was the characterization of transcriptional factors regulating progression of B cell maturation, including the recently identified Zfp318. He was also interested in identifying distinct factors that regulated T lymphocyte maturation, with most recent work focusing on members of the Snai family. His studies of complement receptors included cell biology and signaling mechanisms in



John H. Weis

response to pathogens and his study on the IFITM proteins led to understanding of their involvement in membrane trafficking. (He also lent great advice and expertise in immunology to the Lyme disease studies of Janis Weis.)

John was actively engaged in graduate education at Utah, serving as director of the university's Molecular Biology Program and teaching immunology to graduate students for many years. He was known for the enthusiasm he brought to mentoring 20 Ph.D. students in immunology along with numerous other undergraduate, medical, and masters students and postdoctoral fellows. His

enthusiasm for immunology was also shared with students at the university's School of Medicine, where he served as unit director for host and defense and primary lecturer in immunology. The particular pride he took in mentoring, and in his students' development into independent scientists, reflected the influence of the graduate and postdoctoral mentors with whom John had trained— Anthony Faras at the University of Minnesota, Lynn Enquist at Molecular Genetics, Inc. (Minnesota), and Jon Seidman at Harvard Medical School.

An enthusiastic advocate for outdoor experiences in Utah, John invested great energy in initiatives promoting access and safety in the state. This included serving as a Regional Advisory Council member for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, founding member of the Utah Bicycle Coalition, and member of the state's Fish Health Board. He was an avid fly fisherman, committed to ensuring public access to Utah's fishing streams and to expanding opportunities for participating in the sport. John authored numerous opinion pieces and letters in the Salt Lake Tribune promoting environmental causes. He felt privileged to work with Reel Recovery, serving the organization as a volunteer guide for men living with cancer.

John became involved in bicycle safety in Utah after the death of a graduate student, serving as organizer of the Josie Johnson Memorial Bike Ride and expending huge efforts to encourage the state legislature to pass the 3-foot law guiding drivers in safe passing of bicycles (2009). The successful enactment of this law was a source of great pride to John and enhanced the safety and enjoyment of bicycling throughout the state. John's passions included fly-fishing and photography, and he was never happier than when combining these talents while casting for bonefish in the Caribbean. He doted on his wife and children and encouraged all to strive for excellence and enjoyment in all pursuits. Many of the family's best times were spent exploring the Utah dessert, Wyoming wilderness, and Pacific Northwest. He was a master of good will and humorous statements, and will be missed by family, fishing buddies, students, colleagues, and dear friends.

John is survived by his wife and soul mate of 37 years, Janis Weis, with whom he shared graduate, postdoctoral, and faculty experiences, and by his daughters Julie and Allison Weis, mother Adrienne Weis, brothers Robert (Janice) Weis and Lawrence Weis, and sister Anita (James) Mapes. He was preceded in death by his father Robert Weis. The family is grateful for the wonderful care provided by the oncology teams of Huntsman Cancer Hospital.

A celebration of life was held on January 23rd at Red Butte Garden in Salt Lake City. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donation to Reel Recovery, Na'atik Language and Cultural Institute, or the Utah Chapter of the Lupus Foundation.

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John H. Weis Memorial Graduate Student Award

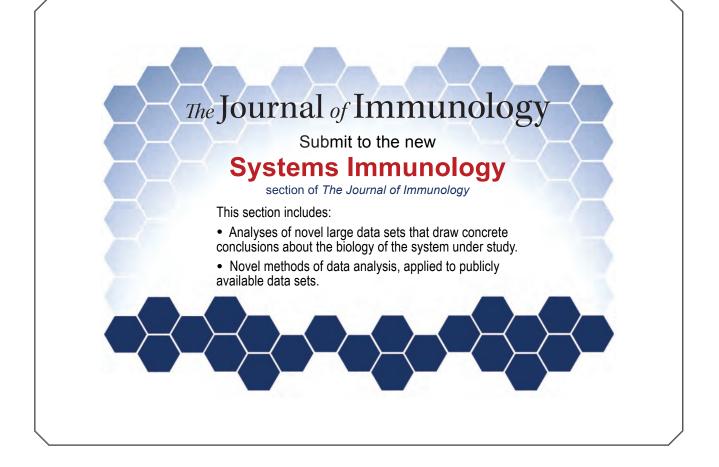
John Weis was a remarkable colleague who was passionate about many things, including the education and training of Ph.D. and M.D. students. In recognition of his dedication to teaching and mentoring, a graduate student award is being established in his honor. The award recipient will be announced annually at the fall University of Utah Biosciences Symposium, highlighting John's many contributions to teaching and leadership in the Molecular Biology Program and medical school curriculum.

The award will be given on a competitive basis, with selection by a committee of faculty members in the Molecular Biology Program. It will recognize outstanding graduate achievement at the University of Utah, allowing recipients to list the honor on their CV as the John H. Weis Memorial Graduate Student Award. The award will provide either stipend support for an outstanding Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. student or one or more travel awards in support of student participation at a scientific meeting. The nature of the award will depend upon the amount of funds raised. The goal is to establish a substantial permanent endowment, although the funds will be used for the same purpose if they are only sufficient for a limited term.

For details on the award and on making a contribution via the university's Development Office, visit http://medicine.utah.edu/pathology/microbiology-immunology/john-weis-award/index.php.

To prospective donors, thank you for honoring John's memory through a contribution to graduate education at the University of Utah.

David Stillman Ph.D., Professor and Division Head Department of Pathology Division of Microbiology & Immunology University of Utah Health Sciences Center



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AAI thanks the more than 3,000 practicing immunologists who review manuscripts for *The JI* each year in a conscientious and objective manner. All reviewers and editors of *The JI* are committed to publishing research that is rigorously performed and moves the field forward. The continued high quality of *The JI* depends upon the dedicated service of all of these individuals. During this milestone year, AAI is featuring on the journal website several fun and informative articles on the history of *The JI* – visit http://www.jimmunol.org/site/misc/Centennial/Centennial-TOC.xhtml. With additional articles to be added throughout the year, items currently available include:

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The Journal of Immunology-(1916-2016) Advancing the Field for 100 Years

Founding The Journal of Immunology

The Journal of Immunology

by John Emrich

The year 2016 marks the centennial year for *The Journal of Immunology (The JI)*, the preeminent peer-reviewed journal in the field of immunology and the official publication of The American Association of Immunologists (AAI) since 1916. Though long "the jewel in the crown" for AAI, *The JI* did not receive its genesis from within the AAI membership or Council. The request for creation of the journal, in fact, arose from within another society. Thanks to the foresight and organizational skills of A. Parker Hitchens, a founding member and the first chair of the AAI Council, the journal received its association with AAI.¹

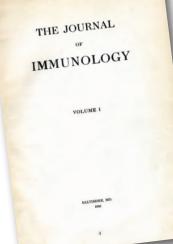
When AAI, in 1915, was presented the opportunity to help found a journal, leaders of the burgeoning professional society were still focused on developing the membership and drafting bylaws. No mention of founding a journal dedicated to immunology appears in the minutes from either their organizational meeting in 1913 at the American Medical Association meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota, or the first annual meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in 1914. As was the case for many other small societies, the publishing activities of AAI were limited to publishing reports of its meetings in the journal of a larger society. (AAI published its first five annual meeting proceedings in the *New England Journal of Medicine* and *Journal of the American Medical*

*Association.*²) The focus of the AAI Council changed quickly, however, in the spring of 1915 with a request from Arthur F. Coca, president of the New York Society for Serology and Hematology (SSH).

> Arthur F. Coca, M.D. (1875–1959), elected to AAI in 1916, was the founder of *The Journal of Immunology* and served as its Editor-in-Chief from 1916 to 1948. In 1949, Coca was named honorary president of AAI, a title that has remained uniquely his through the years. Coca was a faculty member at Cornell University Medical College from 1910 to 1931,



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*und experimentelle Therapie.*³ Recognizing a potential synergy with the goals of the AAI, Coca reached out to the members of the AAI Council to determine if the society would consider cooperating in founding the journal. It was not wholly surprising that the two societies should cooperate, as they shared many

Coca, instructor in pathology

spearheading a movement to

University Medical College, was

establish a "Journal of Immunity"

modeled on the German journal

Zeitschrift für Immunitätsforschung

and bacteriology at Cornell

members, and Coca was himself nominated for membership in AAI in 1915.

In his communications with Coca, Hitchens became convinced that a journal "devoted to the branch of medical science represented

attaining the position of full professor in 1924. In 1931, Coca accepted positions as professor of medicine at the New York Postgraduate Medical School at Columbia University (1931–1935) and as the medical director at Lederle Laboratories. He remained at Lederle Laboratories until his retirement in 1949.

- 1. Before the adoption of the Bylaws and Constitution in 1917, authored by A. Parker Hitchens, the American Association of Immunologists was governed by the president and the Council. The early Council included the position of chair, responsible for making sure the Council carried out its proposals and those of the president. The early Council did not have a line of succession to the presidency, as it would after 1917.
- 2. "Minutes of First Annual Meeting of the American Association of Immunologists," June 22, 1914, AAI Archive, Bethesda, MD [hereafter, AAI Archive-Bethesda]. Both the New England Journal of Medicine and Journal of the American Medical Association regularly published meeting reports and proceedings of smaller scientific and medical associations.
- 3. A. Parker Hitchens, "Report upon *The Journal of Immunology*," Annual Council Meeting, June 10, 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda. Zeitschrift für Immunitätsforschung und experimentelle Therapie was first published December 1908.

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by this Association was about to be established" with or without any involvement of AAI. It was also clear to Hitchens that Coca's work on establishing the new journal had progressed far enough that the inaugural issue would be

published before the AAI Council could act on any potential arrangement. Furthermore, if such a journal was published without the cooperation of AAI, it would render "superfluous the future publication of an official organ of this Association, and, in this event, our Society would have been seriously handicapped in its future development."4

Hitchens formally presented the idea of the "Journal of Immunity" to Council when it convened in early May at the annual meeting. Most councillors were receptive to the new journal and "thought it a good thing and that the society should cooperate with Dr. Coca in the matter."5 Although Council could not be expected to take decisive action immediately on a matter of such consequence, the Council members empowered Hitchens "to represent the

society in the negotiation with Dr. Coca"6 and act for the Council in any negotiations.7 In Hitchens, the Council could not have made a more apt selection. He was the

Arthur Parker Hitchens, M.D., (1877-1949) was a founding member of AAI and served in a number leadership positions in the earliest vears of the association-first as council chair (1914-1917) and later as a councillor (1918-1921). Hitchens was a staff scientist at H. K. Mulford Company from 1901 until 1918, when he joined the U.S. Army Medical Corp for service in the First World War. Hitchens left the Army for a short time in

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-James W. Jobling, AAI president, August 5, 1915

secretary of the Society of American Bacteriology (SAB, now the American Society for Microbiology) and would soon be the first managing editor of the newly founded *Journal of Bacteriology*

(JB) as well as the first and only editor of Abstracts of *Bacteriology*.⁸ Furthermore, he negotiated the *JB* contract on behalf of SAB with the publisher Williams & Wilkins Company of Baltimore.⁹ Despite these crucial early decisions by Hitchens and the AAI Council, it was not a certainty that The JI would be the official publication of the association.

The full AAI leadership was not completely convinced of the need for a new journal specializing in immunology. In August, new AAI President James W. Jobling, M.D., professor of pathology at Vanderbilt University, wrote to his past colleague Simon Flexner, director of the prestigious Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research (RIMR), expressing his reservations about the prospects

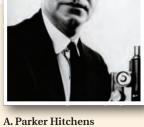
> of a new journal.¹⁰ Flexner was an understandable choice, as the renowned William H. Welch had recently transferred ownership and publication of the

1920 for an appointment at the Hygienic Laboratories of the Public Health Service, now the National Institutes of Health, before returning to the Medical Corps, where he remained until his retirement from the Army in 1941 as a lieutenant colonel. He spent the last four years of his professional career in public service, working for municipal and state boards of health.

- 4. Hitchens, "Report upon The Journal of Immunology," 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda.
- 5. "Minutes of Second Annual Meeting of the American Association of Immunologists," May, 10 1915, AAI Archive-Bethesda.
- 6. Ibid.

- 8. Arthur Parker Hitchens, M.D. (1877-1949), was the secretary-treasurer for the Society of American Bacteriology (SAB) in the 1910s and 1920s. He also served as vice president (1923) and president (1924) of SAB. The SAB was renamed the American Society for Microbiology in December 1960. The Journal of Bacteriology was first published in January 1916 and continues today. Abstracts of Bacteriology was published from February 1916 until December 1925.
- 9. Claude P. Brown, "Arthur Parker Hitchens, 1877–1949," Journal of Bacteriology 60, no. 1 (1950): 2.
- 10. The Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research (RIMR), which opened in 1901, was renamed The Rockefeller University in 1965. Simon Flexner was the first director of RIMR and held the position until 1935.





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^{7.} Hitchens, "Report upon The Journal of Immunology," 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda.



prestigious *Journal of Experimental Medicine* to RIMR, with Flexner serving as editor, a role he was to fulfill from 1905 to 1946.¹¹ Though the proposed immunology journal would be "international in character," Jobling had his doubts that "it would receive sufficient support to justify its existence." Furthermore, he was "of the opinion that there are enough journals now." Despite the compelling reasons stated by proponents, Jobling was demonstrably opposed to "any idea leading to the financial responsibility" on the part of the nascent association for fear that initial costs might place serious strain on the finances of the young society.¹²

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Jobling, however, chose not to make the long train trip from Nashville, Tennessee, to attend a joint meeting of the councils of AAI and SSH at the new Yale Club in New York City on October 7, 1915. The meeting was scheduled for leaders of the societies to explore production requirements and consider a working relationship for the proposed new journal, now dubbed the "Journal of Immunology." The AAI Council was represented by Council Chair Hitchens, Vice President George P. Sanborn, Councillor John A. Kolmer, and Secretary Martin J. Synnott. In addition to President Jobling, three councillors and the treasurer elected to

miss the meeting.¹³ To ascertain the costs associated with the proposed journal, Coca invited representatives from the publishing services company, Williams & Wilkins. The meeting resulted in a positive prospect for the publication of the journal: Coca was

James W. Jobling, M.D. (1876–1961), elected to AAI in 1914, served the association as its second president (1915–1916) and as a member of *The Journal of Immunology* board of editors from 1916 to 1935. Before his election to AAI, Jobling had worked as a pathologist at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago from 1909 until moving in 1913 unanimously elected managing editor;¹⁴ a committee to select the board of editors was created; and the advisory board began taking shape.¹⁵

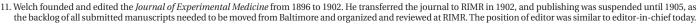
Despite these positive developments, a large, unresolved issue still loomed over the AAI delegation: how was the society to finance its portion of the publishing costs?

Resources were scarce. AAI Treasurer Willard J. Stone, in a December 28, 1915, letter to Martin Synnott, estimated the association's portion of the publishing expenses for the first year at \$240, an amount exceeding available funds in the treasury by \$75.¹⁶ With just 58 members, AAI would have to assess each member \$4.00 in addition to their \$5.00 annual dues assessment to cover costs. In addition to imposing such a high fee on member subscribers, the two societies would be required by Williams & Wilkins to cover the deficit guarantee in case sufficient subscription revenues were not reached. The two-and-one-half year-old AAI was in no position at the time either to offset the high subscription fee for members or cover the deficit guarantee required by Williams & Wilkins.

AAI was also constrained from raising dues to expand its financial reserves. The just-drafted bylaws stated,

> "The dues of the Association shall be fixed annually by the Council and they shall not exceed five dollars."¹⁷ Although Council soon realized that this cap could not be maintained indefinitely, the \$5.00 maximum

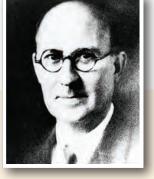
to join the faculty of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons (P&S) as an assistant professor. In 1914, Jobling left P&S to accept a post as full professor of pathology at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. In 1918, he returned to P&S as professor of pathology, a position he held until his retirement in 1945.



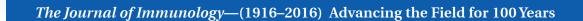
12. James W. Jobling to Simon Flexner, August 5, 1915, Simon Flexner Papers, "Jobling, James W., 1912–1945, Folder 1," American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia, PA.

- Absent from the meeting were Treasurer Williard J. Stone and Councillors Oscar Berghausen, Campbell Laidlaw, and Henry L. Ulrich. Minutes of joint meeting of AAI and SSH Councils, 7 October 1915, AAI Archive-Bethesda.
 The position of managing editor use the equivalent to editor in chief to day.
- 14. The position of managing editor was the equivalent to editor-in-chief today.
- 15. Minutes of joint meeting of AAI and SSH Councils, October 7, 1915, AAI Archive-Bethesda.
- 16. The current balance of the treasure was estimated by Stone to be around \$165. Willard J. Stone to Martin J. Synnott, 28 December 1915, AAI Archive-Bethesda.

17. The AAI Constitution and Bylaws were ratified in 1917 without an explicit maximum of dues. The proposed Constitution and Bylaws were unanimously adopted at the first annual meeting of the American Association of Immunologists, June, 22 1914; Hitchens, "Report upon *The Journal of Immunology*," 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda.



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for dues stood as an unofficial ceiling into the 1920s. By providing the official journal of the society to members within their dues, as was typical of learned societies, only \$1.00 of income per member would remain for maintenance of AAI activities. Council members knew that was an insufficient

SUBSCRIPTION TERMS

The Journal of Immunology will be a bimonthly. Each volume will consist of six numbers and will contain from 500 to 525 pages. The subscription price is \$4.00 to members of the American Association of Immunologists and the New York Society of Serology and Hematology; \$5.00 to non-members in North America; \$5.50 elsewhere. Postage free. Subscriptions and all business matters should be sent to the Williams & Wilkins Company, 2419-21 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, U. S. A.

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amount "for the maintenance of the Society's affairs,"¹⁸ notably the annual meeting, which cost the association nearly \$200 in 1915.¹⁹

Hitchens, however, was able to address both financial challenges without putting the association in financial straits. He proposed making journal subscriptions optional for AAI members and providing members a 20 percent discount on their subscriptions, charging members \$4.00 annually, compared to the \$5.00 assessed non-members in the United States to subscribe.²⁰ To address the deficit guarantee, he sent out personal letters to "several of the more interested members, offering them the privilege of guaranteeing individually a fraction" of the fund. He quickly received enough positive responses to "assure the publishers of adequate financial support to proceed with the Journal."²¹

The JI, but President Jobling, during the annual meeting May 11–12, 1916, sent a letter to all AAI members urging them to subscribe to the new journal "devoted to the problems of Immunology." In the letter, Jobling described the policy of the journal as "to welcome all studies bearing on

the general problems of Immunology as well as to publish the proceedings of our association."²²

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The inaugural issue of *The JI* was published in February 1916 as a cooperative effort between AAI and the New York Society of Serology and Hematology. The bimonthly journal would serve as the official organ for both organizations. It would also provide demarcation of immunology as a separate field in the medical community and create a locus for immunological research from "the best equipped laboratories in this country and England."²³

The first issue of the new journal contained articles on mechanisms of anaphylaxis and immunity and viral and bacterial infections, as well as the scientific proceedings of the December 3, 1915, meeting of SSH. The first article was "Studies in Anaphylaxis: On the Relation between Precipitin and Sensitizin," by Richard Weil, chair of the Department of

> Experimental Medicine at Cornell Medical College. In the article, Weil, a founding member

Richard Weil, M.D. (1876–1917), elected to AAI in 1914, served the association as its third president (1916–1917), councillor (1917), and member of *The Journal of Immunology (The JI)*Board of Editors (1916–1917). A faculty member at Cornell University Medical College from 1911 until his premature death in 1917, Weil wrote the first article published in *The JI*, the 14th part in his 17-part "Studies in Anaphylaxis"

There is no record of the AAI Council holding

an official vote approving publication of



Richard Weil, c. 1915 The American Association of Immunologists, Center for Biological Sciences Archive, UMBC

series. Weil proceeded to publish parts 16 and 17 of this series in *The JI*. Commissioned into the U.S. Army Medical Corp when the United States entered the First World War in 1917, Weil was appointed chief of medical staff at Camp Wheeler near Macon, Georgia. While attending hospitalized troops there, Weil contracted pneumonia and died on November 19, 1917.

18. A. Parker Hitchens to Martin J. Synnott, February 9, 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda.

19. Willard J. Stone to Martin J. Synnott, December 28, 1915, AAI Archive-Bethesda.

20. The subscription price for non-members outside of the United States was 5.50.

21. Hitchens, "Report upon *The Journal of Immunology*," 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda.

22. James W. Jobling and Martin J. Synnott to AAI membership, May 11 and 12, 1915, AAI Archive-Bethesda.

23. Announcement of *The Journal of Immunology*, 1916, AAI Archive-Bethesda.



of AAI, a member of SSH, and a member of the board of editors of *The JI*, took a firm stance on the cellular cause of anaphylaxis at a time when the mechanism was hotly debated.

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Thirteen months later, Charles Thomas, circulation manager of Williams & Wilkins, sent the AAI Council a promising status update on the new journal. The subscription list of The JI had grown to 439 with subscriptions "received from practically every foreign country," except those of the Central Powers countries of the First World War.24 The average number of new subscribers each month had increased to 20 since November 1916, and Thomas predicted that subscriptions should reach 550–600 by the end of the year. His final assessment of the new journal was that it "has a fine future and that it will establish itself on a substantial basis, taking care of its own expenses."25

On March 31, 1920, the AAI Council and SSH Executive Committee met at the home of AAI and SSH President Hans Zinsser in New York City.²⁶ As SSH "had omitted its monthly

ANNOUNCEMENT

As the science of immunology has become one of such universal interest to the medical world, and as the American and English publications treating of the subjects included in this branch of medical research have accumulated so much material, it has been thought desirable to segregate the articles in this field and produce them in a publication devoted exclusively to immunological studies.

With this idea in view, the American Association of Immunologists and the New York Society of Serology and Hematology have decided to produce, as their official organ, a publication to be known as the "Journal of Immunology." This journal will be published under the direction of an Advisory Board and an Editorial Board composed of the foremost American and English workers in this field. The personnel of the staff alone is an assurance that articles will appear

The personnel of the staff alone is an assurance that articles will appear by the most able and progressive scientists, while the contributions of the best equipped laboratories in this country and England will be regularly seen.

The various practical applications of the immunological reactions in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases have inevitably made this newest medical science one of direct interest to the clinician. The studies upon such topics as the Wassermann, Leutin, and Schinck reactions; vaccine therapy, and the various forms of specific sensitiveness in human beings to foreign proteins demand the attention of the progressive practical physician. The Journal will be developed along the lines of study resulting from scientific research work in immunity, serology and bacterial therapy. The problems of immunology will be discussed and promoted. The available field of investigation is very large and it is constantly expanding. The consequence is that the general practitioner will appreciate the importance of securing orrect knowledge of vaccine therapy, serology and immunology from an authoritative and nonpartisan source. The Journal of Immunology there fore will appeal not only to the specialists, but we believe that it will command the interest of all medical students and practitioners. May we ask that yong give to the Journal your active support and recog-

nition, and return to us the form we enclose, filled out?

Yours very truly,

WILLIAMS & WILKINS COMPANY, CHARLES C. TROMAS, Baltimore, December 22, 1915. Circulation Manager.

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"I believe that my interest in this direction is engendered by my desire to see the Association of Immunologists on a good, sound and influential basis."

-A. Parker Hitchens, February, 9, 1916

affirmative that all members in good standing were to be notified that they would become members of AAI unless they had "definite objections." By the end of the year, SSH had ceased operations, and all but a handful of their members had joined AAI. With the cessation of SSH, AAI became the sole publisher of *The JI.*²⁷

Over the years, The Journal of Immunology has published many influential articles that have moved the field of immunology forward. In the process, it has fulfilled, if not surpassed, Hitchens's expressed wishes for the role to be played by the journal: "I believe that my interest in this direction is engendered by my desire to see the Association of Immunologists on a good, sound and influential basis. As I see it, the position I am anxious to have the Association take can scarcely be gained unless the Association has an official organ."28

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meetings for over a year and since the functions of the society had been in a measure superceded by the American Association of Immunologists," the society wished to merge with AAI. An agreement was reached between the two organizations, and the proposal was put before the SSH membership that summer. On July 27, 1920, a quorum of SSH members voted in the

^{28.} The Central Powers included Germany, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria, and Ottoman Empire. By March 1917, the war had already been raging across Europe, Russia, and Anatolia for two years and nine months.

^{29.} Charles Thomas to Martin J. Synott, March 30, 1917, AAI Archive-Bethesda.

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Celebrating a Century: Top Ten Most Cited Articles in The Journal of Immunology

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* Data from Web of Knowledge as of September 17, 2015.

Inaugural Class of AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship Program Reports Success

A financial boost given to a laboratory facing an interruption in funding can yield benefits beyond a research group's immediate productivity. The AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship Program (CIFP), which provides one year of trainee salary support to AAI member PIs with demonstrable financial need, offers proof of this concept, as is evinced in reports by the 37 members of the inaugural class of AAI CIFP fellows.

The awardees included investigators from institutions across the United States and Canada, whose research ranged from the study of evoking insulin production from induced pluripotent stem cells to modulating autophagy via microRNAs. PIs of every career stage, from assistant to full professors, participated in the program, which provided salary support for trainees of diverse scientific backgrounds, including M.D., Ph.D.; D.V.M., Ph.D.; and Ph.D. students and postdoctoral fellows. Funding for the 2014 class concluded this past September, and both PI and trainee recipients reported that the fellowship program provided a much-needed financial windfall at critical junctures in their research programs or careers.

Many of the fellows used the program as a springboard for applications for other funding mechanisms. Nathan Schuldt (AAI '13), postdoctoral fellow at the University of Minnesota, gathered data during his fellowship year to strengthen an application for an NIH grant, saying, "The AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship provided me with crucial support



Nathan Schuldt

that allowed me to continue my research and bridge the gap between being supported by my PI's NIH grants and obtaining my own funding. During my fellowship year, I was able to generate valuable data that became the core of an F32 application."

Mark Lang (AAI '00), associate professor at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, also found the AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship that supported his trainee Pragya Rampuria (AAI '13) to be a boon for productivity in the lab. "This fellowship has helped maintain the productivity of our group and provided valuable data for two new



Mark Lang

manuscripts, two national level funding proposals, and one state level funding proposal."

Other PIs and trainees also capitalized on the opportunity that the fellowship afforded them to focus on generating data to strengthen funding proposals. Overall, 60 percent of PIs funded by the fellowship program in 2014 submitted grant applications during the fellowship year, and 40 percent were successful in obtaining funding. Twenty-one percent of those who received funds were awarded an NIH R01, R21, or R56 grant.

Several investigators attributed their success in securing additional research funds, at least in part, to their receipt of an AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship. Tonya Webb (AAI '10), assistant professor

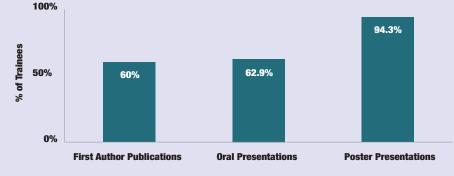
at the University of Maryland School of Medicine,



Tonya Webb

agreed, saying, "This fellowship provided greatly needed bridge support for my trainee to continue working in the lab so I could have the opportunity to apply for and obtain additional support. During the fellowship year, I was able to apply for and receive two foundation awards and two NIH R21 awards."





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Fellowship recipients achieved success in other ways as well (Figure 1). Seventy-eight percent of PI and 60 percent of trainee participants published primary research articles during or immediately following the conclusion of the fellowship year, writing on topics from requirements for ICOS signaling in type 2 cytokineproducing innate lymphoid cells to the importance of IL-17 receptor alpha in the pathogenesis of autoimmune glomerulonephritis.

Nearly all trainees involved in the 2014 program presented at least one poster at a scientific conference, and 63 percent of these individuals gave both an invited oral presentation as well as a poster presentation (Figure 2). Mia Tazi (AAI '14), a graduate student at Ohio State University, recounted how the award has helped her career development,

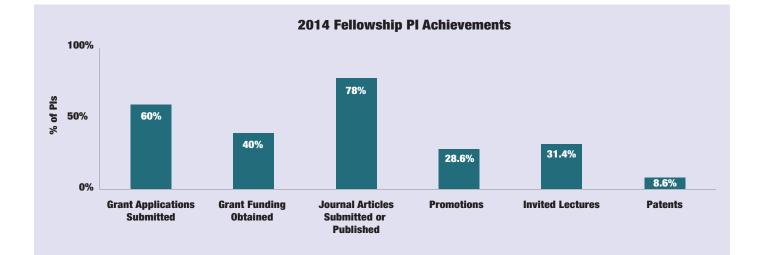


Mia Tazi

stating, "This award provided me with the freedom to address prevailing questions in the cystic fibrosis research field. I was invited to present the research conducted during my fellowship year at a number of conferences, where I was able to cultivate my presentation skills, establish collaborations, and answer thought-provoking questions from my colleagues." Additionally, approximately 30 percent of faculty fellowship awardees received promotions within their institutions, and a similar proportion gave invited lectures during the fellowship year. Nine percent of fellowship recipients filed patents, including intellectual property for T cell receptor alpha locus control region regulatory cassettes, CD23-mediated therapy against allergic inflammation, and IgE Fc-coupled compounds for use in therapeutics.

The CIFP was launched by AAI in 2014 in response to the decrease in federal funding for laboratories. This program more than doubled funding for all career development awards and training supported by AAI by providing an additional \$1.2 million. The fellowship program and other AAI career development awards support over 1,000 scientists each year.

Applications for the 2016 AAI Careers in Immunology Program will be accepted until March 15, 2016. For full eligibility details and to apply, please visit https://aai.org/ Awards/CIIE.html.



AAI Outreach Program Update

In its sustained commitment to promoting the career development of promising young scientists, AAI provided support for awards and sessions at the recent Autumn Immunology Conference and awards for the American Association of Veterinary Immunologists at the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases

Autumn Immunology Conference (AIC)

Nearly 600 scientists attended the 44th annual AIC, held November 20–23, 2015, in Chicago. Conference Chair Michael Farrar (AAI '00) resided over the meeting, which included symposia convened by AAI members Mark Kaplan (AAI '98), Patrick Wilson (AAI '03), and Farrar. Presenters spoke on topics ranging from T helper cells to broadly neutralizing antibodies.

AAI sponsored a new career-development roundtable event to open the meeting. In this "Meet the Speakers" session, trainees met with academic investigators and other immunology professionals to discuss a variety of topics, including how to write effective grant applications, structure a successful postdoctoral fellowship application, apply and interview for faculty positions, and survive the first few years of the tenure track. Participants also explored

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AAI Young Investigator Awardees with AAI Science Liaison Elizabeth Walsh (bottom row, far right) and AAI Membership Chair Tom Mitchell (second row from bottom, second from right)

promote the participation of minority students in the sciences. The luncheon was chaired by Rafael Fernandez-Botran (AAI '88) and was attended by other AIC Councilors, including Rebecca Shilling (AAI '11) and Charlotte Vines (AAI '05), as well as NIAID Section Chief Joseph Breen. All of the mentors provided career-development advice to the awardees on a range of topics, such as how to cope with



AAI Undergraduate Investigator Awardees with AAI staff member Elizabeth Walsh (bottom row, far right), AAI Membership Committee Chair Tom Mitchell (bottom row, second from right), and AIC Undergraduate Program Coordinator Heather Bruns (bottom row, third from right)

insufficient mentorship and how to balance career and family successfully. Litzinger provided the fellows with information about AAI career-development programs and events, including travel awards to IMMUNOLOGY 2016[™], to be held May 13–17 in Seattle, the AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship Program, and the AAI Public Policy Fellows Program.

AAI continued its sponsorship of the Careers in Immunology Undergraduate Workshop, directed by Heather A. Bruns (AAI '05), AIC undergraduate program coordinator. This annual workshop provides opportunities for undergraduate students involved in or interested in research to learn about scientific career opportunities in immunology. The panel this year featured representatives from large and small universities, industry, and an M.D., Ph.D. program. The panelists were John Hackett from Abbott Laboratories, Jonathan Katz (AAI '96) from the Cincinnati Children's Hospital and the University of



Careers in Immunology Undergraduate Workshop panelists relaxing before the session

Cincinnati, Xunrong Luo (AAI '12) from the Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University, Aldo Vacaflores Salinas (AAI '14), a graduate student at the University of Iowa, and Charlotte Vines (AAI '05) from the University of Texas–El Paso. The panelists provided information about their career paths and the ways their backgrounds in immunology helped them achieve their professional goals. After the workshop, graduate program representatives met with students to provide them with additional information about the field of immunology and answer questions about their own institutions and programs.

AAI, for the fifth year, provided 18 awards in support of the career development of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. Thomas Mitchell (AAI '01), chair of the AAI Membership Committee, presented the awards. Recipients of the AAI Young Investigator Award were Hao Wu (Indiana University School of Medicine); Erik Anderson (Mayo Clinic); Lucas Loffredo (Northwestern University); Dana Bryazka, Cara Hrusch, Jennifer Jacobsen, Yuk Man Kevin Lei, and Sean McConnell (University of Chicago); Carolyn Rydyznski (University of Cincinnati); Farah Itani, Kyp Oxley, and Rahul Vijay (University of Iowa); Peter Chockley and Melissa Scola (University of Michigan); David Owen (University of Minnesota); Sydney Blevins (University of Notre Dame); Ryan Zander (University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center); and Akshat Sharma (University of Wisconsin).



AAI Science Liaison Elizabeth Walsh and AAI Manager of Educational and Career Development Programs Mary Litzinger

New for 2015, AAI sponsored five AAI Undergraduate Investigator Awards that were given to undergraduate students presenting outstanding posters at AIC. The awardees were Garrett Hamblin and John Hancock (Brigham Young University), Shweta Hosakoppal (Northwestern University), Dre Steinwehr (North Dakota State University), and Yesen Zhou (University of Michigan).

AAI staff hosted a booth in the Exhibit and Poster Hall. There, Walsh and Litzinger provided AIC attendees with information about AAI programs that could benefit their career development and research.

American Association of Veterinary Immunologists (AAVI)

The AAVI, again in 2015, hosted a scientific session and student abstract competition at the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases meeting, held December 4–6 in Chicago. Crystal Loving (AAI '13) presided over the proceedings, including the AAVI mini-symposium on the interactions between the mucosal immune system and the microbiota. The session featured a lecture by AAI member Randy



Awardees of the AAVI Student Presentation Competition with AAVI President Crystal loving (2nd from right) and AAVI Student Awards Chair Renukaradhya Gourapura (far right)

Sacco (AAI '89), entitled, "Inflammatory mediator expression in lung epithelial cells and / T cells: roles in immunopathogenesis associated with respiratory syncytial virus infection in calves."

For the fourth consecutive year, AAI provided support for the AAVI Student Presentation Competition, sponsoring three oral and three poster presentation awards. The competition, which drew participants from four countries, featured presentations on a vast range of subjects from brucellosis in dogs to methodology for the inactivation of the porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus to help develop a vaccine. AAI oral presentation awardees were Jean-Philippe Auger (University of Montreal, first place), Vengai Mavangira (Michigan State University, second place), and Meredith Frie (Michigan State University, third place). Poster presentation winners were Calvin Pohl (Michigan State University, first place), Yulia Burakova (Kansas State University, second place), and Aldo Morales-Aguilar (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, third place).

AAI Engages Trainees at 2015 ABRCMS Meeting

In its outreach to early-career scientists and trainees, AAI participated in the 2015 Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS) meeting in Seattle,

November 11-14. At the AAI booth in the exhibit hall and, AAI member and staff representatives together engaged attendees in discussions about their research and the many career enhancing programs and opportunities available to established and aspiring immunologists through AAI.

Some 2,300 participants, predominantly undergraduate and graduate students as well as postdoctoral trainees, gathered at the ABRCMS meeting, where attendees presented abstracts in 13 scientific areas including immunology, cell biology, microbiology, developmental biology, and cancer biology.

AAI outreach at ABRCMS was led by Cherié L. Butts, AAI '03, chair of the AAI Minority Affairs Committee (MAC) and associate director of program leadership at Biogen. Accompanying her at the AAI booth were Michael Cuddy, AAI staff liaison to the MAC, and Jennifer Woods, AAI membership manager. Together, they met and inquired of ABRCMS' attendees about their scientific pursuits and ambitions while sharing information about AAI, including the benefits of membership, opportunities for attending and presenting at the AAI annual meeting, highlights of the 2016 AAI meeting program (www.IMMUNOLOGY2016. org), and other AAI programs and activities.

"ABRCMS is an excellent meeting for early-career scientists," said Betts, "as it provides a friendly setting in



Along exhibit row: AAI MAC Member Robert Binder (image at left), ABRCMS attendees



AAI MAC Chair Cherié Butts (left) and AAI Membership Committee member Bolaji Thomas (second from left) engage immunology poster presenter in the ABRCMS exhibit hall

which to receive feedback on experimental results. It also offers professional development sessions to prepare attendees for successful interactions at more intensive, larger scientific conferences. And it presents an important opportunity to cultivate a broader understanding of the vital role professional societies play in the careers of new and established investigators."

AAI representatives gave particular emphasis

to association offerings most relevant to early-career scientists and trainees, including trainee travel awards

to the AAI meeting and courses, free AAI annual meeting registration for undergraduate students, and eligibility, for undergraduates whose teacher is an AAI member, for Undergraduate Faculty Travel Grants.



At oral immunology presentation: presenter Alejandro Sanoja, judge and immunology presentations chair Avery August, judges Laura Kasman and Devavani Chatterjea, presenter Natalie Hamilton

Attendees also learned

about AAI Minority Affairs Committee activities, geared to fostering the career development of underrepresented

minorities in science. Particular emphasis was given to the dual MAC sessions—Careers Roundtable & Speed Networking Session and AAI Vanguard Lecture, presented by a minority member investigator—held annually at the AAI meeting. Also spotlighted was the AAI List of Minority Members network, to promote networking and mentoring opportunities and participation in other professional service activities.

Additional AAI members present along "exhibit row" helped introduce attendees to AAI and the benefits of membership. They included AAI Membership Committee member Bolaji Thomas, AAI '06 (attending on behalf of the FASEB Maximizing Access to Research Careers Peer and Faculty Mentors Network) and AAI Minority Affairs Committee member Robert J. Binder, AAI '02 (attending on behalf of the University of Pittsburgh).

A number of AAI members served as judges of immunology abstracts presented at the meeting:

- Avery August, AAI '99, Cornell University (chair of immunology judges)
- William Carr, AAI '07, Medgar Evers College, City University of New York
- Devavani Chatterjea, AAI '03, Macalester College
- Harlan Jones, AAI '16, University of North Texas Health Science Center
- Michael Krangel, AAI '90, Duke University
- Robin G. Lorenz, AAI '96, University of Alabama at Birmingham
- Jennifer M. Lund, AAI '11, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington

Beyond the exhibit hall, AAI representatives engaged attendees in other session and event settings, including the plenary mealtime gatherings held throughout the meeting. These featured presentations by the following speakers:

- Hannah Valantine, Chief Officer for Scientific Workforce Diversity, NIH
- Linda B. Buck, Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigator, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center



Greeting AAI booth visitors, AAI representatives (L-R) Cherié Butts, Jennifer Woods, and (overlay, with Butts) Michael Cuddy

- Jon R. Lorsch, Director, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH
- David Quammen, National Magazine Award winning author of books on the Ebola and AIDS epidemics and other works on zoonotic diseases
- Patricia E. Molina, Richard Ashman Professor and head of the Department of Physiology, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center
- Nontombi Naomi Tutu, human rights and social justice advocate and daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu (keynote address)

The 2016 ABRCMS meeting will be held November 9 – 12 in Tampa, Florida.

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Advisors: A pool of senior scientists—men and women—are volunteering to be "on call." Topics include recruiting, handling personnel issues, timing for first grant submissions, building networks, teaching, balancing family and work, serving on NIH study sections, and more.

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- Eligibility: Full-time students in accredited schools of medicine in the United States or Canada proposing to undertake tropical medicine research electives or clinical training of at least one month's duration, to commence on or after June 1, 2016, at sites located in areas afflicted by diseases or illnesses common in the tropics
- Details: http://www.astmh.org/ASTMH/media/ Documents/2016-Kean-Guidelines.pdf
- Contact: Chandy John, M.D., Chair, Fellowship Committee: (317) 274-8940; johnsore@iu.edu

March 1

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- Prize/Award: As many as 400 travel grants of up to \$2,500 each to support AAI member travel—airfare, registration, and other travelrelated costs—associated with attending ICI 2016, August 21-26, Melbourne, Australia
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- Details: www.aai.org/awards
- **Contact:** AAI: (301) 634-7178; awards@aai.org

March 1

Albany Medical Center Prize in Medicine and Biomedical Research

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- Details: http://www.amc.edu/academic/AlbanyPrize/ upload/AlbanyPrize2016_nominations_101315.pdf
- **Contact:** (518) 262-8043; AMCprize@mail.amc.edu

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- Details: http://www.aaas.org/page/ aaas-martin-and-rose-wachtel-cancer-research-award
- **Contact:** wachtelprize@aaas.org

March 4

Lymphoma Research Foundation Mantle Cell Lymphoma (MCL) Correlative Studies Support Initiative

- Prize/Award: Awards of \$50,000 in funding of up to 18 months in support of correlative studies in MCL, including studies to complement existing or recently completed MCL research projects; proposed research may test a new hypothesis based on initial findings, contribute to advanced understanding of MCL diagnosis/treatment/outcomes, or have direct clinical relevance/involvement or include primary MCL patient samples or data
- Eligibility: Principal investigators of any citizenship who have an academic faculty appointment and will be based at non-profit organizations or institutions in the United States or Canada for the duration of the grant period
- Details: lymphoma.org/grants
- Contact:researchgrants@lymphoma.org

March 8

Keio Medical Science Prize 2016

- Prize/Award: To prizes of 10 million yen each, accompanied by a certificate of merit and award medal, in recognition of outstanding and creative achievements in medical and life sciences research—whether in basic or clinical medicine or life sciences research closely related to medicine—with particular emphasis on achievements contributing to scientific developments in medicine
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- Details: http://www.ms-fund.keio.ac.jp/prize/
- Contact: +81-3-5363-3609; k-nomination@adst.keio.ac.jp

March 9

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- Eligibility: U.S. and Canadian citizens or permanent residents with a faculty or adjunct faculty appointment at a North American degree-granting institution
- Details: http://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/ regulatory-science/innovation-regulatory-science
- Contact: (919) 991-5100; rustykelley@bwfund.org or ttaylor@bwfund.org

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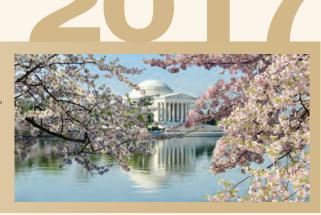
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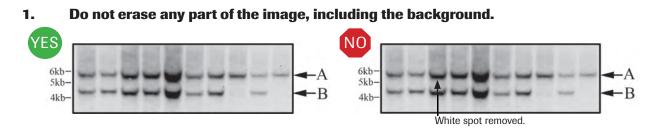
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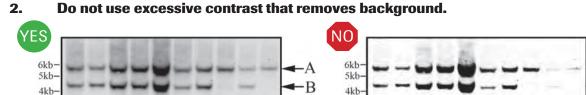


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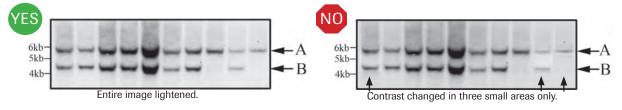
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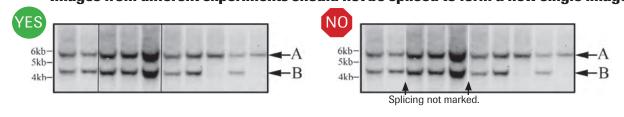




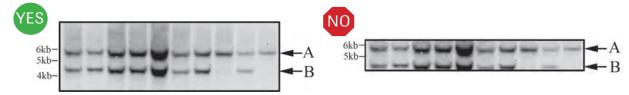
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Experimental Biology (EB) 2016 (APS, ASPET, ASIP, ASN, AAA, ASBMB) San Diego Convention Center San Diego, CA www.experimentalbiology.org/

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29th Annual Canadian Society of Immunology Spring Meeting The Westin Hotel Ottawa, Ontario www.csi-sci.ca/scientific_meeting_2016.html

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10th International Congress on Autoimmunity Leipzig, Germany http://redirect.kenes.com/ o01Ht00kj005wQ0nAKUhOJ0

April 13-14, 2016

Disease Drivers of Aging: 2016 Advances in Geroscience Summit New York Academy of Sciences New York, NY www.nyas.org/events/default.aspx

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American Physician Scientists Association 12th Annual Meeting The Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park Chicago, IL http://meeting.physicianscientists.org/

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Eastern Allergy Conference The Breakers Palm Beach, FL www.easternallergyconference.org

June 3, 2016

immunologyLA The Skirball Cultural Center Los Angeles, CA www.immunologyla.com/

June 5-9, 2016

ThymUS 2016 Wailea Marriott Beach Resort & Spa Maui, HI www.thymusmeeting.org/2016/

June 6–11, 2016

Development and Homeostasis of Skeletal Muscle in Health and Disease Asilomar Conference Grounds Pacific Grove, CA www.musclebiology.org/

June 16-19, 2016

Regulatory Myeloid Suppressor Cells Conference The Wistar Institute Philadelphia, PA www.myeloidsuppressors.com/

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Southeastern Immunology Symposium Duke University Durham, NC http://sites.duke.edu/sis2016/

June 22-24, 2016

VLPNPV 2016 - Virus-Like Particle and Nanoparicle Vaccines Leiden, the Netherlands http://meetingsmanagement.cmail19. com/t/d-l-jiurdkl-vckugr-j/

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9th International Conference of the Frontiers in Immunology Research Network Grand Hotel Union Ljubljana, Slovenia www.firnweb.com/2016-conference/

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August 21-26, 2016

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August 24-27, 2016

APS Conference: Inflammation, Immunity and Cardiovascular Disease Westminster, CO www.the-aps.org/inflammation.aspx

August 31-September 2, 2016

Colorado Immunology Conference Steamboat Springs, CO www.ucdenver.edu/academics/ colleges/medicalschool/departments/ ImmunologyMicrobiology/calendar/Pages/20 16ImmunologyConferenceSchedule.aspx

September 15-17, 2016

The Society For Leukocyte Biology's 49th Annual Meeting and "Neutrophil 2016"-Inflammation, Immunity and Cancer: Neutrophils and Other Leukocytes University of Verona Congress Center Verona, Italy http://leukocytebiology.org/Meetings/2016-Meeting.aspx

September 21-24, 2016

European Society for Immunodeficiencies (ESID) 2016 Centre Convencions Internacional de Barcelona (CCIB) Barcelona, Spain www.esid.org

September 26-28, 2016

Immunogenomics 2016 HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology Huntsville, AL http://hudsonalpha.org/ immunogenomicsconference/

September 27–30, 2016

46th Annual Meeting of the German Society for Immunology Congress Center Hamburg (CCH) Hamburg, Germany www.immunology-conference.de/

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The New England Immunology Conference The Marine Biological Laboratory Woods Hole, MA www.newenglandimmunology.org/

October 16-19, 2016

Cytokines 2016: 4th Annual Meeting of the International Cytokine and Interferon Society (ICIS) San Francisco, CA http://www.cytokines2016.com/

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Joint British Society for Immunology (BSI) and Dutch Society for Immunology (NVVI) Congress 2016 Arena Conference Centre, Liverpool, UK www.bsicongress.com/2016

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April 7-10, 2017

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