#CytopathologyStrong for "We are all in this together"

The coronavirus pandemic changed the world around us. Like most organizations and companies, the ASC Foundation had ambitious plans in place to move our mission forward instead, we suddenly had to pivot and adjust. Yet we kept our focus on what was still most needed to best support the cytopathology community.

We quickly created the Pandemic Relief for Cytotechnologist Students program. The COVID-19 pandemic created an unprecedented social, medical and economic crisis throughout the country and world. The unemployment situation in the U.S. had the greatest negative impact upon the most vulnerable in our society. On our Cytopathology community, those individuals are the cytotechnology students working towards a degree in Cytotechnology.

On June 2020, all Cytotechnology Students were ask to apply for the pandemic relief funds of $250. Fifty-nine (59) students submitted short testimonial video or paragraphs on why they choose cytotechnology as a career. For this, they received $250 to help in their personal and/or professional life.

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The Foundation sponsored the "Pandemic Relief for Cytotechnologist Student" program again in January 2021. Sixty-nine (69) students submitted applications and received $250. Click here to view recipients of the Pandemic Relief gift.
COVID Heroes
Over this past year, responders of COVID-19 risk their lives - to save ours and the ones we love. Nurses, doctors, lab professionals, first responders, volunteers and countless others, are out there battling every day on our behalf. To pay tribute to our COVID heroes, ASC invites our members, the cytopathology community and love ones, to take part in our "COVID Heroes” protect as a way for our community to say thank you to those most impacted by COVID-19.

Click here for the finished Photo Mosaic collage which was unveiled at the ASC Meeting.

Highlights of the Foundation
Since the inception of the ASC Foundation is has been committed to providing access and opportunity to the cytopathology community. We have found over time through education and advocacy that the programs that worked the best were those that served trainees and students, creating positive outcomes not only for both, but also for our community and our Society. With the help of nearly 1,500 supporters, including ASC members, leadership, and industry friends, the ASC Foundation has raised over $3 million since the inception of the Foundation in 2002. This generosity underscores the trust donors have in the ASC’s ability to support research that will advance the field of cytopathology and cancer detection, education to bring these advances into the hands of practitioners, and advocacy on behalf of patients and the profession. ASC donors help the Society build a better future for the profession and for a healthier world.

Going once... Going Twice... Gone!
The Online Art for Advocacy Auction took place from November 4, 2021, 11:44 am EDT - November 19, 2021, 11:45 am EDT.

The tradition continues!!! On an effort to raise funds for the ASC Foundation, the ASC held an online Art for Advocacy Auction. More than 25 talented ASC Members have agreed to submit their one-of-a-kind works of art to the ASC Auction. The artwork is beautiful!

The Silent Auction took place from November 4 -19, 2021 all online. Winning bidders will be notified, November 23rd and announced via email on November 29th.

Thank you to all the Bidders!
100% of each sale will be used for patient advocacy programs supported by the American Society of Cytopathology Foundation.
Meet the ASC Foundation Board

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.” --Elizabeth Andrew

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We at ASC are so grateful for your hard work!

Advocacy, Education and Innovation

Promoting excellence in cytopathology has been a goal of the American Society of Cytopathology (ASC) since 1951. This year marks the 18th year of the ASC Foundation, and the ASC Foundation continues to strive to help promote the highest quality in patient care.

The primary functions of the ASC Foundation are to fund the Society’s programs and expand its endowment to assure fiduciary responsibilities to the mission, membership and the public, as it insures the Society’s financial stability. Educational scholarships to attend the Annual Scientific Meeting, research grants to create new knowledge that advance the discipline of cytopathology and advocacy work to bring cytologic screening to the underserved are just a few examples of the good works that are made possible through gifts to the Foundation.

It is through the dedication of the ASC Foundation Board, Executive Board, Committees, our members, our staff, volunteers, and generous supporters that the accomplishments of the Society are met.

More information on the programs described is available on the ASC Foundation website.
Education
The ASC Foundation helps support the ASC’s high quality education at Annual Scientific Meetings, distance learning through webinars and internet-based educational programs, and support for cytopathology training programs.

ASC Annual Scientific Meeting Travel Scholarships
The ASC Foundation annually presents ASC Annual Scientific Meeting Travel Scholarships to qualified pathology residents, cytopathology fellows and qualified cytotechnologists who are ASC Members. The $2,000 scholarships defray registration, travel and hotel costs, and will include funding for additional sessions and per diem allowance.

2021 Fellows and Residents Travel Scholarships
Amelia W. Donlan MD
University of Washington Medical Center Seattle, Washington

Lawrence Hsu Lin MD
NYU Langone Medical Center
New York, New York

Lina Ma MD
Boston University School of Medicine
Boston, Massachusetts

2021 Cytotechnologists Travel Scholarships
James Thomas Bell III
Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Chicago, Illinois

Natasha Sichula
Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Chicago, Illinois

Isamaris Nicole Quiles
Puerto Rico Pathology
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Imran Uraizee MD
Loyola University Medical Center
Maywood, Illinois

Rong Xia MD
NYU Langone Medical Center
New York, New York

To listen to the ASC Podcast go to podbean.com and search for CytopathPod
Ways of Giving and Support the ASC Foundation

The ASC Foundation has several giving programs that embrace the Society’s Mission. You can support the ASC and the future of cytopathology in a number of ways.

Celebrate, Honor or Memorialize a Special Person
Mentorship has always been important to the ASC. Our organization is more than a professional platform for scientific exchange! It provides a vehicle for continuous professional development, recognition of exceptional talent, and collaboration across institutions. It also provides links from one generation to the next.

Make a Star of Your Mentor
Every year through the ASC Foundation’s Make a Star of Your Mentor Program, our members fill the heavens with starred mentors who have contributed time and expertise to benefit others.

Make a Diamonds of your Mentee
Celebrate your Mentees and their accomplishments by honoring them through the “Make a Diamond of Your Mentee” program. As Mentors, you celebrate the legacy of those you have trained—those who make your proud when they give a lecture write an article or receive recognition for their research.

GEM of a Colleague
Honoring colleagues is important is several ways; it properly expresses appreciation for those who do their work well; it energizes and motivates, while providing them with role models; and it publicly acknowledges the importance of their work! With a gift to the Foundation, you can make a “gem” of a special colleague!

The ASC Legacy Fund
The American Society of Cytopathology Foundation is pleased to continue the ASC Legacy Fund. The ASC Legacy Fund celebrates the legacy of ASC members who have left their legacy to carry on the Mission of the ASC. The ASC is happy to announce two ASC Legacy Fund honorees:

Dr. Leopold Koss Annual Scientific Meeting Lectureship
This fund endows a lectureship to honor Dr. Koss for his long involvement in cytopathology research, teaching and patient care, and his many contributions to the ASC. The lecture is presented annually at the ASC’s Annual Scientific Meeting by a prominent scientist with a national/international reputation in a scientific discipline pertinent to the field of cytopathology.

Dr. Bernard Naylor Excellence in Cytomorphology Award
The Dr. Bernard Naylor Excellence in Cytomorphology Award addresses a morphologic constituency that is not served by current awards. The Award highlights one of our most important skills in the field of our practice: Morphologic observation. The Award will be presented annually at the ASC’s Annual Scientific Meeting.
GO SHOPPING!
While you shop this holiday season, choose the American Society of Cytopathology at AmazonSmile as your charity of choice. There is no cost to you, and the ASC Foundation receives 0.5% of the proceeds from your holiday shopping! Two birds, one stone.

Facebook wants you to say happy birthday with a donation
Birthdays on Facebook have taken on a life of their own. Often it’s where you leave well wishes when you’re not close enough to a person to call or text. Now Facebook has a feature that make birthday fundraisers official and the ASC Foundation is one of the many non-profits you can select for your Birthday. Over $1,000 contributions have been received by the ASC Foundation through Facebook Birthday fundraisers.

Double or Triple Your Contribution
Many employers’ offer matching gift programs to encourage employees to contribute to charitable organizations. Some provide matching funds made by retirees and/or spouses.

Most of these programs match contributions dollar for dollar, and some will even double or triple the amount of your gift! To find out if your employer will match gifts to the ASC Foundation, please check with your employer’s human resource office about a matching gift program.

Working Towards a Solution
As outcomes of the ASC strategic plan and in support of the Society’s mission, the ASC Foundation will concentrate on education, advocacy and Innovation. You can direct your contribution to the following programs:

Advocacy
The ASC considers Advocacy as the promotion of the cytologic method for the early detection, prevention and treatment of cancer. Advocacy is directed at Professional Practice, Health Care Policy and Patients.

Education
Education is assured through annual scientific meetings; distance learning by webinars and internet-based technologies; maintenance and accreditation of training programs for cytotechnology and cytology-based fellowships.

Innovation
The ASC is the principal conduit for dissemination of research findings relevant to cytopathology. The ASC Foundation routinely awards grants and funding for projects that result in publications of findings relevant to the practice of cytopathology and the application of new technology. Moreover, the ASC Foundation funds projects related to translational research to develop new technologies in cytopathology. The ASC also funds research to support best practices in cytopathology.

On August, the Foundation with the help of the Art for Advocacy Committee hosted a Virtual Musical Happy Hour, featuring performances by talented ASC members. Over 50 members joined the Happy Hour to listen to the performances. Our line up of performers included Dr. Michiya Nishino along with his children, Cara (13) and Noah (10), Ms. Nicole Thomas, Dr. Darshana Jhala, Dr. Muge A. Turkyilmaz, Dr. Jordan Reynolds and Dr. Chris Hartley. To enjoy this wonderful event, visit the ASC YouTube page or click here for the Happy Hour video. Thank you to ALL the Wonderful Performers!!
Every level of giving is important, as each gift supports the ASC Foundation’s greatest needs. The Foundation has several recognition levels that honor our most generous and loyal donors.

Platinum Papanicolaou Club - $100,000 and up
Golden Papanicolaou Club - $50,000 and $99,999
Papanicolaou Club - $20,000 and $49,999
President’s Club - $10,000 - $19,999
Foundation Club - $5,000 - $9,999
Executive Club - $1,000 - $4,999
Member’s Club - $500 - $999
Contributor - up to $499

Your pledge will help assure the ASC’s influence and viability as guardians of the profession of cytopathology. We are grateful for the support of our Donors! For a complete list, please review the list of Donors on the ASC Web site.

Thank you for considering a gift to the ASC. Tax deductible contributions can be made securely online using your credit or debit card.

Contributing in Easy!

1. You can send a check made payable to the ASC Foundation.
2. Select your gift amount in the appropriate location on your ASC membership renewal invoice.
4. Use the ASC Member App and click the Foundation Pledge button
5. Or TEXT your contribution to 41444
   a. In your message:
      CYTO space Your Amount space Your Name
      (i.e. CYTO 100 Amy Adams)
   b. Hit send

The ASC Foundation greatly appreciates your support of the Society’s commitment of Fighting Cancer, Saving Lives.

Honor Roll of Donors
These exceptional contributions consist of significant financial support, volunteer time and creativity. These come from people like you who understand the important work of the ASC.

Our Honor Roll of Donors acknowledges our partners who help the ASC’s vision become reality. Our Society is lucky to have exceptional partnerships with our members, industry and the advocacy communities that allow us to work together to achieve great things. The strength of these partnerships creates an energy that makes the ASC better, brighter, and more prepared to serve patients and the profession.

On behalf of the Foundation, thank you for being such an important partner in all that we do. Through your exceptional generosity and vision, the ASC continues to be a beacon of innovation, knowledge and advocacy that improves the lives of others.

**Platinum Papanicolaou**
William B. Zeiler, MD

**Golden Papanicolaou**
R. Marshall Austin, MD, PhD

**Papanicolaou**
Diane D. Davey, MD
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ASC Foundation Financial Overview
Elizabeth Jenkins, Executive Director

Each year the ASC financial information is audited by Gatti & Co, Certified Public Accountants. The following represents a summary of the ASC Foundation Contributions, Allocations and Expenses.
As of June 2021, the total value of the ASC Foundation Investment Account is $1.2 million. This represents 45% of the ASC’s total net worth. Since the inception of the ASC Foundation in 2002, the Foundation has received over $3 million dollars from ASC Members and our Corporate Supporters. Over $2 million has been given to support Education, Advocacy and Research. Over 50% of ASC Members contributions to the ASC Foundation!

**CUMULATIVE FOUNDATION REVENUE AND EXPENSE BY CATEGORY**

**JULY 1, 2001 TO JUNE 30, 2021**

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**Grants, Scholarships and Allocations from Foundation Funds**

**July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2021**

- Education: 15%
- Research: 17%
- Advocacy: 13%
- Annual Meeting: 19%
- Other Allocations: 36%