



Dear APSA Member,

[Thank you to everyone who made #APSA18 a success!](#)

This year's meeting brought together 394 APSA members, a record number!

The AAP/ASCI/ASCI [#JointMeeting2018](#) could not have happened without the continued support and involvement of our members. The meeting took place April 20-22nd, 2018 in Chicago, IL, and boasted a total of more than 750 physician-scientists and trainees from 109 institutions across the US. Check out the [pictures](#) from the meeting! A special congratulations to the following institutions: **Ohio State University MSTP, Vanderbilt University MSTP, Oregon Health & Science University, Michigan State University, and Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine.** They were randomly selected from APSA institutional membership programs who had students in attendance at #APSA18, and will receive a \$25 Amazon gift card! Learn how your school can save \$\$\$ with an [APSA institutional membership!](#)

If you attended the meeting, keep an eye on your email for a survey so that we can continue to build on this great event, and make it even better next year! Mark your calendars for [#JointMeeting2019, April 5-7th, 2019!](#)

Can't wait until the next annual meeting? Save the date for these other APSA-affiliated regional meetings throughout the year! For additional questions, please email abhik.banerjee@physicianscientists.org, who will contact conference organizers on your behalf.

APSA Midwest Regional Meeting

Date: October 20th, 2018

Location: Saint Louis University School of Medicine
(Saint Louis, Missouri)

South Atlantic Medical Scientist Annual Meeting

Date: October 13-14th, 2018

Location: University of Virginia (Charlottesville, Virginia)

APSA South Regional Meeting

Date: September 26th, 2018

Location: Baylor College of Medicine (Houston, Texas)

Southeastern Medical Scientist Symposium

Date: November 10-11th, 2018

Location: Vanderbilt University School of Medicine
(Nashville, Tennessee)

APSA West Regional Meeting

Date: December 1st, 2018

Location: TBD

[SID Sponsors APSA Students to Attend the International Investigative Dermatology Conference](#)

[Three APSA Students receive travel awards to international dermatology conference](#)

Congratulations to APSA members **Elise Burger, Jinwoo Lee, and Lauryn Falcone** for receiving travel awards from the Society for Investigative Dermatology (SID) to attend the 7th International Investigative Dermatology (IID) meeting in Orlando, Florida in May 2018. This is a unique joint meeting between SID, the European Society for Dermatologic Research and the Japanese Society for Investigative Dermatology occurring only once every 5 years. It brings to together basic, translational and clinical scientists from across the globe, all focused on advancing our understanding of skin biology and disease and highlighting the latest in cutting edge science. **We are so proud of our members and their accomplishments!**

[Apply to become an APSA leader today!](#)

[Do you want to become a voice for physician-scientist trainees?](#)

Positions are still available on standing committees and ad hoc committees! You can serve on one of our many executive committees including Events, Fundraising, Memberships, Partnerships, Policy, Public Relations, and Technology. We also have specialized committees that focus on specific initiatives; read the descriptions of the ad hoc committees [here](#). You can also become an institutional representative, or start a local chapter at your school! Position descriptions are available on the [APSA leadership page](#). Applications for non-elected positions, such as membership on an APSA standing committee, are accepted on a rolling basis. [Apply today!](#)

[Becoming #DoubleDoc Strong: MD/PhD Application Tips & Tricks](#)

Make your application for an MD/PhD program as strong as you are!

Trying to decide between medical school and graduate school? Why not both? The future of medical research is translational, and so are we! Learn the best tips and tricks for applying to dual-degree (MD/PhD) programs with experts Dr. Chris Kontos (Duke University MSTP director) and Dr. Arthur Gutierrez-Hartmann (University of Colorado MSTP director). You won't want to miss the opportunity to have YOUR questions answered here, **May 8th, 2018 at 7 PM EDT**. See the [event page](#) for info on how to join the meeting

[Register now for the Immunological Aspects of Metabolic Syndrome Conference!](#)

Registration is open for the [Immunological Aspects of Metabolic Syndrome Conference!](#) The meeting is hosted by the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (@FASEBorg) and will take place August 12-17th, 2018 in Snowmass Village, CO. This 6-day event will offer many workshops, poster sessions, networking opportunities, and talks from international leaders in the field, including keynote speaker Dr. Diane Mathis from Harvard Medical School. Check out the full [agenda!](#) Early bird registrations ends **June 18th, 2018**. You won't want to miss it!

[Abstract Deadline Extended for the Kern Lipid Conference!](#)

The Kern Lipid Conference invites all Early Career Investigators to submit abstracts relevant to the study of lipid metabolism for the upcoming conference in Vail, Colorado, **August 13-15, 2018**. Eligible candidates must be graduate students or post-doctoral students from an academic, government, or non-profit entity. All abstracts will be peer reviewed by a committee; accepted abstracts will be included a poster session at the conference. Awardees will receive a travel stipend check in the amount of \$750, and their registration fee will be waived. Submissions must be received by **May 15, 2018**. More information can be found [here](#).

[AAMC National MD-PhD Program Outcomes Study](#)

[MD-PhD Program Graduates: Current Workplaces, Research Effort, and Types of Research They Do](#)

The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) has recently published an [Analysis in Brief](#) looking at MD/PhD programs graduates, where they work, and the integration of their clinical and research training. Over 4,600 MD-PhD program alumni responded to the survey, and the majority (80%) are in career paths consistent with the goals of their training, including working as full-time faculty or for the NIH, research institutes, industry, and federal agencies. Although trainee diversity is increasing, MD/PhD program enrollee diversity still lags behind that of medical schools as a whole. The study also demonstrates that the current number of MD/PhD program graduates per year will not meet the expected needs for the physician-scientist workforce as projected by the NIH Physician-Scientist Workforce Working Group. Check out the [full report](#).

[New advocacy section on website!](#)

APSA strives to be the physician-scientist trainee's leading voice on national policies that might impact their current training and future careers.

As such, the Policy and Technology Committees recently teamed up to launch the [Advocacy Tab](#) on the APSA website. The tab includes a drop-down menu that leads to the Resolutions Process, Advocacy resources developed by APSA for physician-scientist trainees, current and past initiatives, and an Advocacy Action Center providing links to the advocacy efforts of other organizations. The Policy Committee will continue to update the Advocacy tab with outcomes and future initiatives.

Sincerely,

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