President’s Message
By Kirstin Barnhart, ASVCP President

AVMA approves requirement for new diplomates to maintain certification

Recently, the AVMA Executive Board approved a new policy for the AVMA American Board of Veterinary Specialties (ABVS). All Colleges that are recognized as a veterinary specialty organization by the ABVS must implement a mandatory program for recertification by 2016. This decision was published in the August 1 edition of JAVMA.

In accordance with the new policy, the following procedures must be established:

1. Certificates for new diplomates must be dated.
2. Specific actions for new diplomates to maintain certification must be established.
3. A process to ensure compliance must be implemented. An honor system for compliance is acceptable as long as random audits are performed.

The ABVS policy also stipulates that each College may develop its own standards for maintaining certification. Possible procedures include re-examination, attending continuing education seminars, lecturing, publishing articles, and serving on examination committees.

Recertification must occur at least every 10 years. The changes do not apply to current ACVP diplomates.

These provisions represent important changes to the requirements for diplomate status in the ACVP, and it is important that the membership of both ACVP and ASVCP are actively involved in establishing the standards and protocols for meeting these requirements.

Currently, ACVP Council is working closely with the ASVCP Executive Board to establish a strong committee that is tasked with developing these standards and to obtain input from the membership as to the most appropriate methods of recertification. If you have any comments, ideas, or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact the ASVCP Executive Board.
The ASVCP is a nonprofit scientific organization dedicated to the promotion of scientific advancement, education, and standards in veterinary laboratory medicine. Our members include veterinary clinical pathologists and trainees, medical technologists, specialty veterinarians, and diagnosticians in veterinary and medical schools, biomedical and pharmaceutical companies, diagnostic and government laboratories, and private veterinary practices throughout the United States and in over 20 countries worldwide.

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Submitted by Joanne Messick, Award Committee Chair

Dr. Ted Valli is a “giant on whose shoulders many of us have stood” and this is our opportunity to say thank you. Below are just a few excerpts from the letters of support the ASVCP received for Dr. Valli’s nomination.

Dr. Valli has been an extraordinary contributor to our knowledge in veterinary clinical pathology and specifically veterinary hematology for 45 years and is still going strong. Few, if any, of our colleagues have actively contributed so much and with such high quality to the profession for so long. Dr. V. E. O. (Ted) Valli has made the advancement of clinical pathology his “life’s work” and has earned the 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dr. Wally Hoffmann

While Dr. Valli’s contribution to veterinary clinical pathology in the research arena is incredible, his teaching contributions are equally so. For nearly thirty years, Ted taught hematology, cytology and urinalysis to veterinary students. Many veterinarians in Canada learnt their clinical pathology from Dr. Valli. Almost more important than the knowledge they gained from Dr. Valli was the infectious enthusiasm and passion for veterinary pathology in particular, and science in general, that he radiated. That passion lit fires in them and spurred them on to be the best veterinarians that they could be.

Dr. William Vernau

Dr. Valli’s text – Veterinary Comparative Hematopathology - is beautiful, it is a work of art and science. Ted has advanced the study of veterinary hematopathology forward as no other single person. As Ted noted, his textbook follows the philosophy that basic phenomena are common to diseases of all species; there is only one medicine. It is this taste of the one medicine concept – one hematopathology – that Ted has given us. His text is the definitive reference, it provides us the facts and more importantly makes us want to learn even more – that’s when you know your work really has been a great success.

Dr. Joanne B. Messick

Early in his career, he studied the kinetics of hematopoiesis in the calf – this seminal work continues to be studied by students interested in animal hematology...Ted is a prolific writer and has a work ethic that is rarely observed. He has published hundreds of research articles and has contributed to or written some of the most significant texts in recent years in veterinary hematopathology. Most notable has been his amazing leadership and strong influence in the veterinary world for the classification of lymphomas in animal species.

Dr. Robert Jacobs

Dr. Valli was so pleased when he heard I was going to do a residency in clinical pathology that he sent me a note congratulating me on my success and he wrote “I will follow your career with interest.” That meant so much to me and I believe he really meant that...As I put my promotion material together I began to really recognize how much Dr. Valli helped me get published, increase my teaching portfolio and become a better pathologist...His dedication and love of pathology were and still are inspiring.

Dr. Anne Barger

From the Journal...

The mission of Veterinary Clinical Pathology is to provide an international forum for the communication and discussion of scientific investigations and new developments that advance the art and science of comparative laboratory medicine in domestic, nondomestic, and laboratory animals.

Full-text online articles, including e-publications ahead of print, are available through the Members Only Section at www.asvcp.org.

Remember to sign up for e-alerts to receive e-mail notification when new content is available.
The case bank is a shared teaching resource sponsored by the ASVCP for the benefit of members seeking materials for self-study or teaching clinical pathology. The bank is intended to be utilized within a formal teaching curriculum or under the supervision of a mentor. This pilot project contains 60 clinical pathology data sets from dogs, cats, horses, and cattle with an emphasis on chemistry and hematology. Many cases have supporting gross, microscopic, or radiographic images. We hope this case bank is of value to the membership and the ASVCP looks forward to fostering future growth and improvements in this resource. These cases are provided to act as starting framework that can be fine-tuned by mentors to meet various pedagogical needs. They are not intended to be a standard for preparation for specialty board certification, nor are the discussions meant to remain static as the field progresses. In the next revision (likely Winter 2012) we plan to enable a comment, rating, and revision of interpretation function as technical support for that becomes available. After 6 months, ASVCP will be seeking your suggestions for improvement via a survey as a step towards the addition of more cases from the membership.

ASVCP Election of Officers

The 2011 Election for Officers is upon us. For this election, we have two candidates – Dr. Marlyn Whitney running for President-Elect, and Dr. Jeff McCartney running for First Year Executive Board member. Their biographies including participation in various aspects of the ASVCP are provided below. Dr. Dori Borjesson has kindly agreed to remain in the position as Treasurer of the ASVCP for another year. But next year we will have a vacancy in this position; if you are interested in running for Treasurer of the ASVCP, please let us know!

Drs. Whitney and McCartney will run unopposed; however the membership must still cast ballots, which will be available to in early September. Elections are held through the website; email notification and reminders will be sent to you once the site is activated. After logging into the members only section, you will see a link to VOTE.

Candidate for President-Elect:
Marilyn Whitney, DVM, PhD, Diplomate ACVP

Marilyn has been an ASVCP member since 1983. Education: AB (Biology), University of Missouri (1975); DVM, University of Missouri (1979); clinical pathology residency, MS and PhD, Purdue University, (1981-1986). Diplomate, ACVP (Clinical Pathology) (1989). Current and past positions: Associate Clinical Professor and Section Head, Department of Veterinary Pathobiology/Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO (2001-present); Clinical Pathologist and Clinical Pathology Section Head, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, Amarillo, TX (1994-2001); Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994); private veterinary practice, Kansas City, MO (1986-1994). Offices held in ASVCP: Secretary (2002-2006), Executive Board member (2009-present). Professional interests: hematology, hemoparasites, metabolic disorders, instructional methodology. Personal interests: bicycling, hiking, gardening, reading.

Candidate for First Year Executive Board Member:
Jeff McCartney, DVM, MVSc, Diplomate ACVP, DABT

Jeff McCartney has been a member of the ASVCP since 1993. Jeff is a graduate of the Atlantic Veterinary College, University of Prince Edward Island and completed a Master of Veterinary Science Degree at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Saskatchewan 1995. He became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathology in 1995. Jeff spent three years at the Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph as a clinical assistant professor. He has been working in the pharmaceutical industry for the past 14 years and is currently the Scientific Director of the Clinical Pathology Laboratory at Charles River Laboratories in Montreal, Quebec. He was board certified in Toxicology by the American Board of Toxicology in 2001. Jeff was on the regulatory affairs committee of the Society of Toxicologic Pathology for a 2-year term. He has been active in the American College of Veterinary Pathology as a member of the examination committee from 2004-2007 and was General Chair of the examination committee and Chair of the Clinical Pathology Section in 2007. His professional interests are the application of Veterinary Clinical Pathology within the Toxicology field with an emphasis on hematology and coagulation.

2011 ACVIM Forum Update

This year, the ASVCP sponsored session at the ACVIM Forum in Denver, CO highlighted our memberships work in obesity and metabolic disease. Overview talks on the “Pathophysiology of Obesity” and the “Biology of Obesity in Dogs and Cats” by Leslie Sharkey were followed by two very well attended sessions entitled “Adipokines in Health and Disease” by Judy Radin. The following day Becky Davies reviewed important concepts in “Defining Normal in Endocrine and Metabolic Disease” with an emphasis on reference intervals and method validation. There was lively discussion after this session about the development of new assays for metabolic disease testing. Finally, Kirstin Barnhart's cutting edge talks on “Pharmaceutical Options for Control of Obesity” and “New Approaches to Weight Loss through Vascular Targeting” generated tremendous enthusiasm from attendees.
ASVCP Share the Future
Call for Resident/Graduate Student Travel Grant Applications

Share the Future travel grants are intended to help offset travel costs for clinical pathology residents or graduate students who will be giving talks or poster presentations at the Annual Meeting, held this year December 3 – 7, 2011, in Nashville, Tennessee.

Five travel grants of $500 each will be awarded. One of these is specifically designated for a trainee who will be presenting to the Veterinary Laboratory Professionals group at the meeting.

Please note: The application deadline for the 2011 Travel Grant applications has been extended to September 23, 2011, because of the timing for case submission notification this year. Awardees will be notified by September 30.

Call for Resident/Graduate Student Research Grant Applications

Share the Future research grants are intended to help support research by clinical pathology residents and graduate students. Grants will range from $1,000 to $2,500. In general, proposals should:

• Focus on an aspect of clinical pathology.
• Be clearly articulated.
• Show potential for contributing to the knowledge base in veterinary clinical pathology.

In 2011, one research grant will be awarded.

The application deadline for the 2011 Research Grant applications is still August 31, 2011.

Share the Future grant application forms and submission details are available online at the ASVCP website http://www.asvcp.org/stures/index.cfm.

Share the Future grants are made possible through the support of ASVCP members and corporate sponsors.

Update: Case Submissions for 2011 Annual Meeting

Please note that notifications of acceptance/refusal for submissions to the slide and chemistry case sessions at the 2011 annual meeting will be sent by September 9, 2011.

2011 ACVP/ASVCP Annual Meeting Schedule
Nashville, Tennessee, December 3–7, 2011

The full program is available online at http://www.acvp.org/meeting/2011/program.cfm.

Here are some highlights of the ASVCP sessions; hope to see you there!

Saturday December 3
• ASVCP Pre-Meeting Workshop: 2011 Guide to Toxicologic Clinical Pathology
• ASVCP Teaching Clinical Pathology: Teaching Microscopy without Microscopes: A Good Idea?
• Opening Reception and Focused Poster Session

Sunday December 4
• ASVCP Education Symposium
• ASVCP Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Session I
• Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific Session I
• Focused Poster Session
• Veterinary Student Poster Session
• ASVCP Business Meeting

Monday December 5
• ACVP/ASVCP Joint Plenary Session: Vascular Function and Malfunction
• ASVCP Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Session II
• Focused Poster Session
• Veterinary Student Poster Session
• ASVCP Reception
• ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session

Tuesday December 6
• Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific Session II
• Education Focused Scientific Session
• ASVCP Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Session III
• ASVCP Case Review Session
• Focused Poster Session
• Veterinary Student Poster Session
• ACVP Awards and Recognition Event
• ACVP Presidential Reception

Wednesday December 7
• ACVP Young Investigator Award Poster Session
• Post-Meeting Workshops:
  • Zebrafish, Beyond H&E/Quantitative Pathology
  • Histologic Interpretation of Bone Marrow Biopsies
Here is the schedule for the VLP program at the ACVP/ASVCP Annual Meeting in Nashville:

**Sunday December 4**

1:00 p.m. Dr. Dwight D. Bowman, “You Might Have to Guess? Parasites You May Not Know or Remember”

2:00 p.m. Dr. Casey J. LeBlanc, “Flow Cytometry in Veterinary Medicine – How Does it Help Us Clinically?”

3:30 p.m. Dr. Stephanie French, “Tales from the Wild Side: Wildlife Medicine at the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW)”

**Monday December 5**

8:00 a.m. Dr. Elizabeth A. Spangler, “Thromboelastography for Evaluation of Coagulation Status: A Description of the Method and Discussion of Case Examples”

9:00 a.m. Dr. Michael M. Fry, “Nonregenerative Anemia – Recent Advances in Understanding Mechanisms of Disease”

11:00 a.m. Dr. Mark Rishniw, “VIN QC Material Study”

**Wednesday December 6**

8:00 a.m. Dr. Bente Flatland, “An Overview of the Newly Revised ASVCP Quality Assurance Guidelines and Control of General Analytical Factors in Veterinary Laboratories”

9:00 a.m. Dr. Marjory Brooks, “Coagulation Testing in Animals: Beyond APTT and PT”

11:00 a.m. Dr. Joanne Messick, “Let’s Take Another Look at M. Haemofelis: What Does its Genome Tell us About the Disease it Causes and How it Survives Despite the Host’s Immune Response”
2011 ASVCP Pre-Meeting Workshop
The 2011 Guide to Toxicologic Clinical Pathology

Session Chair: Lindsay Tomlinson, DVM, DVSc, Pfizer Inc.
8:00 a.m. – 8:10 a.m.
The ASVCP Regulatory Affair Committee: Focus on Best Practices in Toxicologic Clinical Pathology
Lindsay Tomlinson, DVM, DVSc, Pfizer Inc.
Anne Provencher, DVM, MS, Charles River Laboratories

8:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Routine Laboratory Investigations: Hematology, Coagulation, Clinical Biochemistry, and Urinalysis
Lila Ramaiah, DVM, PhD, Huntingdon Life Sciences
Mehrdad Ameri, DVM, MS, PhD, Amgen

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Panel Discussion

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Non Routine Laboratory Investigations: Bone Marrow, Cytology, Endocrinology and Others
Denise Bounous, DVM, PhD, Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Instrument and Method Validation
Barbara Von Beust, DVM, PhD, Labor am Zugersee

11:45 am – 12:45 pm
Lunch

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Points to Consider for Identification, Qualification and Implementation of New Biomarkers
Daniela Ennulat, DVM, PhD, GlaxoSmithKline

1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Data Analysis / Interpretation of Data AND Overview of Roles and Responsibilities, Laboratory Personnel, and Report Process
Laura Boone, DVM, PhD, Covance Inc.
Kelley Penraat, MS, DVM, MVSc, Alpha-Omega Vet Consultant Services

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Panel Discussion

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Break

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Beyond CBC and Chemistry Panel: The Expanding Roles of the Clinical Pathologist in Drug Development
Lindsay Tomlinson, DVM, DVSc, Pfizer Inc.

2011 ASVCP Education Forum

Submitted by Casey LeBlanc, Committee Chair

Teaching microscopy without microscopes: A good idea?
Plan to join us in Nashville on Saturday, December 3 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. for a discussion of virtual microscopy, along with other forms of technology and media, as they relate to teaching.

Share your experiences (good and bad), offer an opinion, and maybe learn about newer technologies others are using for teaching clinical pathology. Hope to see you there!

2011 Clinical Pathology Scientific Session: Invited Speakers

This year’s speakers for the Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific session are Dr. Tracy Stokol from Cornell University, presenting her data on the “Potential Role of the Monocyte in the Pathogenesis of Thrombosis in Equid Herpes Virus Type-1 Infection” and Dr. Stephanie Smith from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, reviewing “The Cell Based Model of Coagulation.”

2011 Hotel and Travel

Deadline for Hotel Reservations: November 7, 2011 or until the block of rooms sell out.

The Renaissance Nashville Hotel is the headquarters hotel for the 2011 Annual Meeting. The Hotel is connected to the Nashville Convention Center, where a majority of the scientific sessions will take place.

The Renaissance Nashville Hotel is located in the downtown corridor. Nashville’s downtown area is convenient to the music world for which the city is known. Check out the Music Hall of Fame. Historic Second Avenue is wide and sloping and filled with all kinds of entertainment, an easy walk or carriage ride from the Renaissance Nashville. Stop in and have a bite at the Hard Rock Cafe or the Melting Pot. Downtown Nashville is filled with music; you will hear Jazz and Country music floating on the air. Check out the WildHorse Saloon and BB Kings for a start to a Nashville night out. There are many choices available for all tastes!
Kirstin Barnhart is a native of Denver, Colorado, but has resided in central Texas for the past 33 years. She graduated from Texas A&M Veterinary School in 1993 and practiced for 5 years as a small animal veterinarian in Houston, Texas before returning to Texas A&M in 1998 to complete a residency in clinical pathology and a PhD in the molecular biology of epidermolytic hyperkeratosis of Norfolk terriers. Kirstin currently works as a comparative pathologist at the Keeling Center for Comparative Medicine (KCCMR) and Research within the MD Anderson Cancer Center. She directs the clinical pathology laboratory and maintains GLP compliance for preclinical safety studies.

The main focus of the KCCMR is non-human primates. To date the center has approximately 1,000 rhesus monkeys, 500 squirrel monkeys, 300 owl monkeys and 175 chimpanzees. Kirstin has become somewhat of a self-made expert in the clinical pathology of non-human primates. Her research interests are centered around translational medicine and pre-clinical efficacy and safety testing of potential human therapeutics. Currently, she is working on 2 promising drugs: (1) a peptide that induces marked weight loss and reduced insulin resistance and (2) a gene therapy construct that induces islet neogenesis in the liver for treatment of type I diabetes.

Outside of work, Kirstin is an avid gardener. She specializes in using native plants and drought resistant perennials to establish old fashioned cottage gardens that attract bees, hummingbirds and butterflies. She enjoys running, biking and reading. At the time this bio was written, Kirstin had just finished reading “The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks” – an amazing book that she highly recommends to anyone, but particularly those who have worked with HeLa cells. She lives with her children (Samantha 5, Austin 9) and husband in a small town in central Texas (Round Top) that has a population of 90 people. Her extended family includes 4 horses, 2 donkeys, 3 dwarf Nigerian milking goats, 2 dogs, and 3 cats.

**MICROSCOPIC ART CORNER**

**Fascinating Fungus**

cytology from equine guttural pouch

*Submitted by Maxey Wellman.*

Want to see your image here? 
Submit fun photomicrographs (previously unpublished) to the ASVCP Secretary, robin.allison@okstate.edu.
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Announcements

**Committees:**
If you are interested in serving on one of the ASVCP committees as a member or a committee chair, please contact any of the EB members or Susan Rees, srees@reesgroupinc.com. Getting involved is a great way to meet new people and contribute to your Society.

**Institutional Slide Sets:**
Due to the high demand for slide sets, institutions that are interested in reserving a set for the upcoming year are asked to contact Anne Provencher Bolliger, provencher.bolliger@hotmail.com. A notice to all members will also be sent out through the listserv.

**Reviewers for Clinical and Chemistry Cases:**
If you are interested in being a reviewer for next year’s hematology/cytology cases or chemistry cases, please contact Anne Provencher Bolliger, provencher.bolliger@hotmail.com.
ASVCP Committee Updates

Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards (QALS) Committee
Submitted by Bente Flatland and Shannon Pedersen, Committee Chairs

The Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards (QALS) committee heartily thanks all ASVCP members who provided input on the reference interval guideline document, which is nearing completion. The QALS Reference Interval Team is processing reviewers’ comments, and a finalized guideline version should be available soon at the ASVCP website http://www.asvcp.org/pubs/index.cfm. The QALS Method Validation subcommittee continues to work closely with both large and small animal practicing clinicians to recommend sound, clinical decision limit-based quality requirements (allowable error, or TEa) that are appropriate given the analytical performance capability of biochemistry analyzers commonly used in veterinary clinical pathology laboratories. If you are interested in helping with this project (or have a clinician friend who might be interested), please contact Kendal Harr (dharr@gmail.com). The QALS Point-of-Care Testing subcommittee continues working on sound but practical guidelines for managing small, bench-top and handheld analyzers in veterinary medicine. A draft of the first five sections (Introduction, General, Chemistry Analyzers Measuring Multiple Analytes, Hematology, and Glucometers) is nearing completion and will be ready for QALS review in the foreseeable future. Other ongoing QALS projects include pursuing German, French, and Portuguese translations of the ASVCP Quality Assurance guidelines (see http://www.asvcp.org/pubs/qas/index.cfm), quality assurance guidelines for immunocytochemistry, and planning for the ASVCP 2012 Pre-Meeting Workshop. If you are interested in joining the QALS committee, please contact Bente Flatland (bflatlan@utk.edu) or Shannon Pedersen (shannonp@pclv.net).

ASVCP Committee Updates

News from Veterinary Clinical Pathology

Submitted by Karen Young, Editor-in-Chief

In late June the 2010 impact factors (IF), numeric indicators of the citation rate of articles in a journal, were released for journals indexed in the Thomson Reuters ISI database. I am very pleased to announce that the IF for Veterinary Clinical Pathology rose to 1.239 from 0.793! In addition, 4 new journals were added to the veterinary sciences category and yet the journal’s ranking improved to 44/145 from 66/141. A big thank you goes out to the very dedicated editorial staff and board members, the reviewers, the ASVCP, the publication staff at Wiley-Blackwell, and especially the authors for the many ways in which they have contributed to the high quality of the journal.

The 8th annual meeting of the International Association of Veterinary Editors (IAVE) was held on July 20, 2011, in St. Louis, MO and was sponsored by Wiley-Blackwell and Elsevier. The meeting provides professional development for editors of veterinary journals across the globe and opportunities to network and discuss experiences and ideas. This year’s meeting was scheduled in conjunction with the 2011 AVMA Convention. Invited speakers included Karen Young, Editor-in-Chief of Veterinary Clinical Pathology (The relationship between editors and the sponsoring association: editorial independence and budgeting), Mary Christopher, former Editor-in-Chief of Veterinary Clinical Pathology (Duplicate, fragmented, and prior publication: how do we define it, is a problem for veterinary journals, what can we do about it?), and Geraldine Pearson from the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), who spoke about the role of COPE in providing advice and support to editors in maintaining high ethical standards in publication.

An editorial board meeting will be held on September 1, 2011, at the ESVCP Congress in Dublin, Ireland. A similar meeting will take place on December 4 at the ASVCP meeting in Nashville, TN. Abstracts from both meetings will be published online and in print in the December issue of the journal.

Visit the ASVCP Career Opportunities (www.asvcp.org/career/index.cfm) page to view recent classified ads!

Professor in Clinical Pathology at Virginia Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine

Instructor in Veterinary Clinical Pathology at Kansas State University

Clinical Pathology Residency at Cornell University
2011 ASVCP Case Review Sets

The 2011 ASVCP Case Review Sets will be sold on the same priority basis as in previous years. Twenty (20) sets are reserved for purchase by the presenters of the 2011 cases (NOTE: slide sets are not provided gratis for the presenters). Additional “Institutional Sets” are reserved for purchase by schools or colleges of veterinary medicine that grant a DVM or equivalent degree (NOTE: Institutional Sets must be purchased by an ASVCP member at the institution). To be eligible for either a Presenter Set or an Institutional Set, the order form with payment must be RECEIVED BY the ASVCP Office no later than October 15, 2011. After October 15, all remaining slide sets will be sold to ASVCP members in sequential order starting with the earliest submission dates on the applications. Payments for orders not filled will be refunded. To order a Case Review set, please submit this order form with payment to the ASVCP National Office or complete online form (available at www.asvcp.org/meeting/caseReview/).

Order Form

Case Review Set Type:

☐ Institutional Set (One set per school or college)

Name of Institution: ________________________________________________

Name of ASVCP member at this Institution: ________________________________________________

☐ Personal Set or Presenter Set (Availability of Personal Sets is based on earliest postmark dates on order)

Address to which the Case Set (to be distributed in October) should be sent:

Name: ________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________

City, State, Zip, Country: ________________________________________________

E-Mail: ________________________________________________

Payment:

☐ $100 for each set to be mailed within North America

☐ $125 for each set mailed to other countries

☐ Check/Money Order made payable to ASVCP

☐ Credit Card: ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

Credit Card Number: ________________________________________________ Expiration Date (MM/YY): _____________

Signature: ________________________________________________ Date: _____________

Please submit the completed order form and payment to:

Mail: ASVCP National Office, Attn: Case Review Sets, 2424 American Lane, Madison, WI 53704
Fax: +1–608–443–2474

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact ASVCP at info@asvcp.org or at 608–443–2479 x136.
### ASVCP Important Dates

**August**
- Share the Future Research Grant applications due August 31, 2011.

**September**
- Share the Future Travel Grant applications due September 23, 2011.

**October**
- 2011 slide case set order deadline is October 15, 2011.
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**November**

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**ASVCP/ACVP Annual Meeting**

**December 3-7, 2011, Nashville, Tennessee**

Have you made plans to attend? Secure your hotel reservations at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel. Plan to fly into the Nashville International Airport. Online registration will be available this summer.