

PASCV and CVS – What’s the Difference?

The Pan American Society for Clinical Virology (PASCV) is a professional membership organization that aims to foster the development of new techniques for rapid viral diagnosis, to improve quality control for reagents, to sponsor training programs, scientific meetings and symposia, to disseminate relevant information, to coordinate activities with other organizations, and to encourage collaborative research.

The American Society for Microbiology (ASM) is the oldest and largest single life science membership organization in the world. ASM provides training in public health, clinical laboratory procedures, food and water safety, and environmental microbiology.

PASCV has used CVS as its annual meeting although it was never formally organized or owned by PASCV as a society. In 2014, ASM assumed the ownership and management of CVS and PASCV formally assumed the ownership and management of MVW. Since then, PASCV and ASM have partnered together to host MVW and CVS back-to-back as they have always been, despite separate ownership, management, and financing of these meetings.

PASCV is committed to the exchange of clinical and diagnostic virology information by sponsoring MVW, regional meetings, webinars, and many other educational offerings. PASCV looks forward to our continued partnership with ASM/ CVS and many more great meetings.