

Dear APSA Members,

APSA Contest for a FREE Institutional Membership and Annual Meeting Registration!

This year, APSA is holding a **contest to grow our membership**. Whichever institution has the highest percent increase in APSA members between September 1 - December 15, 2016 will receive a **FREE Institutional Membership for their institution for the following 12-month period (>\$500 value)**. Please help APSA and your institution start the year off strong by recruiting your colleagues to join our organization. Institutional Representatives (IRs), please reach out to the student body of aspiring physician-scientists (MD/PhD, MD, DO, MD/MPH, etc) at your home institution.

Additional individual prizes for contest winners:

- 1st place: free registration to APSA annual meeting for the IR plus free registration for 2 APSA members at the same institution (>\$100 value per registration)
- 2nd place will receive free registration for the IR plus one
- 3rd place will receive free registration for the institutional representative

Register for the Pathobiology for Investigators, Scientists, and Academicians (PISA) Meeting

PISA is an annual meeting sponsored by the American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP). APSA is a guest society, which means discounted registration! It is being held in Houston, TX this October 20-22, 2016. **Register [here](#) by September 29!**

Keynote address: Tanya Mayadas, PhD of Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School will talk about lupus nephritis

Also includes poster and oral presentations and career development sessions. See the full program [here](#).

Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS) Looking to the Future Scholarship

STS is now accepting applications for the 2017 STS Looking to the Future Scholarship through **September 23**.

Visit the STS [website](#) to apply.

Scholarships include complimentary registration for the STS 53rd Annual Meeting, January 21-15, 2017, in Houston, TX, a three-night stay at an STS-designated hotel, participation in exclusive events, and reimbursement of up to \$500 in related travel expenses.

Three Regional Meetings are open for registration. Reserve a spot and submit an abstract today!

Northeast: University at Buffalo, October 29, 2016 (Abstract submission deadline October 15, 2016!)

Midwest: University of Nebraska, November 4-5, 2016 (Abstract submission deadline October 22, 2016!)

Southeast: University of Alabama at Birmingham, November 5-6, 2016 (Abstract submission deadline September 15, 2016!)

And don't forget about our upcoming Regional Meetings:

West: University of Southern California, December 3, 2016

South: University of Texas Medical Branch, January, 2017

Check out the full [list of Regional Meetings](#) for the location nearest you.

APSA Undergraduate Mentoring Program

The goal of this program is to connect APSA professional (MD or MD/PhD) students with undergraduates who are interested in careers as physician-scientists in one-on-one mentor-mentee relationships. Ideally, the relationships will last one school year, though this is flexible. An undergraduate student will be paired with an APSA professional student who is in a course of study in which the undergraduate has an interest. Mentors and undergraduate mentees: apply [here](#).

Questions: contact Bernadette DeRussy (Vice-Chair, APSA Membership Committee) at bernadette.derussy@physicianscientists.org.

Sincerely,

The American Physician Scientists Association (APSA)

[The American Physician Scientists Association \(APSA\)](#) is dedicated to addressing the needs of future physician scientists with a focus on training and career development. APSA focuses its priorities in the four pillars of mentoring, networking, outreach, and resources.

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