Dear APSA Member,

**Registration for APSA's 14th Joint Annual Meeting is still open!**

Did you miss the early-bird deadline? There's still time to register! Registration will close **April 11th**. The meeting will be held **April 20-22nd, 2018** in Chicago, IL, in conjunction with the annual meetings of the American Society for Clinical Investigation (ASCI) and the Association of American Physicians (AAP), two prominent organizations for established physician-scientists. **#APSA18** is THE meeting for physician-scientist trainees! The AAP-ASCI-APSA Joint Meeting will feature cutting edge research from physician-scientists across the country, including keynote addresses, expert panels, student talks, networking events, and more! Some highlights include:

- **The Friday Night Welcome Reception** is an event specifically for APSA members and is a great place to connect with peers. Join us for drinks at the Mid America Club and enjoy the panoramic view of Chicago!
- **The Resilience Workshop** will have essential, but often unspoken, tips for successfully negotiating first jobs, navigating the career path with significant others, and conquering challenges along the way.
- **Keynote speaker Timothy J. Ley, MD**, Lewis T. and Rosalind B. Apple Chair in Oncology at Washington University in St. Louis, will give a talk entitled, "The Genome(s) and Epigenome(s) of Acute Myeloid Leukemia."

...and much more! Check out the full [agenda](#).

And finally, don't forget to reserve your room rate at Hyatt as soon as possible. Join the [Medstro discussion](#) to find a roommate and save on travel costs! We look forward to seeing you!

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**APSA Mentee Feature: Melanie Barbini**

Undergraduate Mentorship Program inspires Northeastern student to create educational opportunities

Melanie Barbini, a junior at Northeastern University, and a mentee in the 2017-2018 APSA Undergraduate Mentorship Program was inspired by the program to organize an event at her institution to learn more about the MD/PhD track and network with established physician-scientists. She will present her work during the APSA Annual Meeting at the business meeting to highlight how the Mentorship Program has impacted her. Read the full story [here](#).

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**Submit an abstract for the American Neurological Association Annual Meeting**

Network with academic neurologists and neuroscientists in small group settings!

The American Neurological Association Annual Meeting will take place **October 21-23, 2018** in Atlanta, Georgia. [ANA2018](#) is the conference for any physician-scientist looking to learn about cutting-edge research in the field and exchange ideas with thought leaders in academic neurology. Submit an abstract for this top-tier conference and receive feedback from renowned neurologists! All presenters will be considered for travel awards. [Apply today](#)! Deadline **April 13th, 2018**

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**Attention physician-scientists: Apply for an Associate Chair of Research position at UT Austin**

The University of Texas at Austin: Department of Psychiatry is seeking an exceptional leader to serve as the inaugural Associate Chair of Research in the Department of Psychiatry. The Associate Chair will be an integral part of building the Psychiatry department into a nationally recognized model for innovative research, education, and value-based care delivery. This is a unique opportunity to affect meaningful change in mental health care access and delivery, treatment of psychiatric disorders and contribute to neurosciences advances directing the future of psychiatric practice. You can find additional information about the position and an online application on the [application website](#). Contact Natalia Quintanilla ([natalia@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:natalia@austin.utexas.edu)) with any questions.
Apply to become an APSA leader today!

Do you want to become a voice for physician-scientist trainees?

Positions are available at all levels of involvement! You can serve on one of our many executive committees including Events, Fundraising, Memberships, Partnerships, Policy, Public Relations, and Technology. APSA leaders interact with national organizations like the NIH; organize the APSA Annual Meeting; write grants and papers; cultivate relationships with our partner organizations; and much more! Do not miss the opportunity to develop your leadership skills and connect with physician-scientists from around the country. 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 elected committee chair and Liaison positions are due by Friday, April 13th, 2018; 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.

Join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone by following the link: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/834822477

You can also dial in using your phone. United States: +1 (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 834-822-477

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.

APSA Institutional Membership Program - A Chance to Win an Amazon Gift Card!

Already have an individual APSA membership and want to save $$, have a chance at winning an Amazon Gift Card, and have your training program receive a registration waiver for three trainees’ costs for the upcoming APSA Annual Meeting?

Consider taking advantage of our Institutional Membership (IM) Program! This program offers considerable savings when purchasing multiple annual memberships in bulk, can be tailored to the size of the program and extended for multiple years for easier administration, all at increased savings! Additionally, programs with an IM in good standing receive a voucher for three trainees’ registrations costs for the APSA/ASCI/AAP Annual Meeting in Chicago (>225 value). If you know of at least three trainees attending the Annual Meeting, please consider purchasing an 10-trainee IM for the same price and help increase APSA Membership within your training program!

Finally to encourage additional support for this program, 5 randomly-selected IM-containing Institutions will be selected before the Annual Meeting to win a $25 Amazon Gift Card! Please encourage your program directors to consider purchasing an Institutional Membership on behalf of you and your colleagues! Please e-mail IM@physicianscientists.org for more details.

Sincerely,

The American Physician Scientists Association (APSA)