



## President's Message

Dear Fellow ASVCP Members,

"It's all about communication!" How many times have you heard that phrase? It has been on my mind lately as I think of the numerous communications of the ASVCP Executive Board. I have the privilege to orchestrate the activities of this wonderful group of hard working people. We meet by teleconference each month and have furies of e-mails in between as we discuss the business of our Society and make both easy and difficult decisions. Communication between the Executive Board and our seven committees also is important. The Executive Board sends expectations to chairs and receives updates via committee liaisons. Due to the enthusiasm and vigor of our committees and the liaisons, good ideas are shared! [READ MORE](#)

## FIRST CALL

### Nominations for Lifetime Achievement Award

The Awards Nominating Committee is requesting nominations for the Lifetime Achievement Award to be presented at the annual ASVCP meeting in New Orleans, Dec. 3-7, 2016.

The ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award program recognizes members of the Society who have contributed to the advancement of the field of veterinary clinical pathology through their research and teaching or outstanding contribution, as well as through their work on behalf of the ASVCP.

Nominations should include a current CV of the nominee and at least three letters of support from ASVCP members, and should include a rationale for why this particular member is worthy of this award.

To make a nomination, please contact [Jeff McCartney](#), Chair of the Awards Nominating Committee. The deadline for receipt of all nomination materials is June 1, 2016.



2015 Lifetime Achievement Award Winner Dr. Robert Hall



2015 Lifetime Achievement Award Winner Dr. Alan Rebar

## FIRST CALL

### Call for Cases: 18th ESVCPC-ECVCP Congress

This year (2016) the ESVCPC-ECVCP meeting will be together with ESVON in Nantes, France, October 19-22. Please identify an interesting case to present. The case session will probably be on Saturday, Oct. 22. [READ MORE](#)

### 2016 ASVCP/ACVP Meeting Abstracts for the Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions

Platform presentations and poster viewing for the 2015 Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions were well attended in Minneapolis, and it is already time to think about the 2016 meeting. The annual combined meeting of the ASVCP and ACVP will be held on December 3-7, 2016, in New Orleans, Louisiana. As in past years, the meeting will include two ASVCP/ACVP Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions, and this is a great opportunity to present clinical or research data to colleagues. Submissions from all aspects of the clinical pathology profession are encouraged, including academic, diagnostic, investigative, and toxicologic settings. We encourage participation by a wide variety of individuals including faculty, senior scientists, diagnostic veterinary pathologists/clinical pathologists, and trainees. The format will be similar to that of the 2015 annual meeting with both oral platform and poster presentations. The final decision regarding presentation format is at the discretion of the Program Committee. Presenters are required to attend the meeting.

With this wonderful meeting on the horizon, please start planning your 2016 abstract submissions! The deadline for submission is July 1, 2016, and online submission will open May 16, 2016, at [www.asvcp.org/meeting](http://www.asvcp.org/meeting). Please be sure to follow all guidelines provided at the submission website, including adhering to the word count limit, as failure to do so may cause rejection of your abstract. For further information, if needed, contact [Lindsay Tomlinson](#).

**Upcoming Online Rounds**  
 Friday, March 18 at 1:00 p.m. Central  
 Tracy Stokol, Cornell University

**Don't miss out!**  
 April: Dr. Kate Schlichter, University of Illinois  
 May: To be Announced  
 June: A. Russell Moore, Colorado State University

## ASVCP Honors Dr. Jeanne George as Society Historian

The ASVCP recently honored Dr. Jeanne George for serving as the Society historian from 2004 to 2015. Dr. George, a Professor Emeritus at the University of California-Davis, has had extensive contributions beyond historian to our Society. She served on the Executive Board from 1997 to 2002, including as President in 2001. In her role as historian, Dr. George ensured that significant Society events were captured; this was particularly appreciated when preparing for the recent 50th Anniversary party in Minneapolis. Dr. George had wide impact as historian and ongoing Society contributor. Her accomplishments include writing member obituaries, introducing members to some of the original founding members of the Society, and writing letters of support for others to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award. On that note, Dr. George was the 2013 ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award recipient and continues to be a strong supporter of the Society. Our thanks to Dr. George for helping to preserve our history!



Dr. Jeanne George



## Externship Funding Opportunities

Attention Clinical Pathology Residents: Don't be the Last to Apply!

New externship funding opportunities are available this year! The ASVCP has allocated funding for clinical pathology residents interested in short-term toxicologic and comparative clinical pathology externships. [READ MORE](#)

## Microscopic Art Corner

**MICROSCOPIC ART CORNER**  
*How Dare You Divide Without Me!*

Submitted by Heather Wamsley

Submitted by Robin Allison

## SECOND CALL

### ASVCP Education Committee Call for Nominations for the 2016 ASVCP Educator Award

The ASVCP Education Committee would like to take this opportunity to remind the membership that the 2016 ASVCP Educator Award will be presented at this year's meeting in New Orleans. [READ MORE](#)

### Nominations for 2016 Executive Board

The Nominations Committee is seeking nominations for President-Elect/President/Immediate Past-President Track, Executive Board Member, and Treasurer. Brief overviews of the major duties associated with each position are provided below. For additional information or to make a nomination, please contact [Jeff McCartney](#), 2016 Immediate Past President of the ASVCP. The deadline for receipt of all nomination materials is June 1, 2016. [READ MORE](#)

### ACVIM Forum Speakers

The ASVCP arranges speakers for the ACVIM meeting each year. The speakers provide eight hours of talks reflecting current knowledge and/or in-depth reviews of topics in veterinary clinical pathology. The topics should comprise a theme or possibly two separate themes (one for the morning session and one for the afternoon session). Please send me your suggestions for ASVCP themes, topics, and speakers for the 2017 ACVIM Forum (June 7-10).

The meeting will be held near Washington, DC, at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center, National Harbor, MD. Themes should be of strong interest to ACVIM meeting attendees. If you have something you'd like to present or know someone who would be a great speaker, email me, [Amy MacNeill](#) by March 31, 2016. Thank you!

### ASVCP Mystery Slide Case Review and Case Discussion Sessions

**Mystery Slide Session:** Submissions (all required material) due May 1, 2016

**Case Discussion Session:** Submissions due June 1, 2016 (note later deadline)

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## Committee Updates

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## Veterinary Clinical Pathology

An International Journal of Laboratory Medicine

Submitted by Barbara von Beust, Editor-in-Chief

**STARD—Standards for the Reporting of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies**—was initiated with a first statement that was published in 2003 in several journals. This initiative was driven by the recognition that many reported clinical studies addressing diagnostic accuracy were deficient in study design, choice of material and methods including statistical analysis, and transparent reporting allowing the proper conclusions to be drawn. Clearly, such deficiencies can have a considerable impact on the quality of clinical decisions and resource allocation. The STARD statement includes a list of items to include in every manuscript reporting on a study to estimate the sensitivity and specificity or other assessments of the diagnostic accuracy of a medical test. [READ MORE](#)

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Don't forget to renew your ASVCP membership. Click the image above to renew now!



## Important Dates

### March

ACVP Board Examination Phase I, March 10, 2016, Castle Worldwide Testing Centers. [www.acvp.org](http://www.acvp.org)

### May

ASVCP Mystery Slide Case Review submissions due May 1, 2016. [Tracy Stokol](#); [www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org)

ASVCP 2016 Educator Award nominations due May 1, 2016. [Carolyn Grimes](#); [www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org)

### June

ASVCP Case Discussion submissions due June 1, 2016. [Tracy Stokol](#); [www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org)

ASVCP Election nominations due June 1, 2016. [Jeff McCartney](#)

## Upcoming Meetings

### April

American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP) Annual Meeting, April 2-6, 2016, San Diego, CA. [www.asip.org](http://www.asip.org)

17th Conference of the International Society for Animal Clinical Pathology (ISACP 2016), April 5-9, 2016, Cape Town, South Africa. [www.isacp2016congress.com](http://www.isacp2016congress.com)

### June

ACVIM Annual Forum, June 8-11, 2016, Denver, CO. [www.acvim.org](http://www.acvim.org)

Society of Toxicology Pathology (STP) Annual Symposium, June 26-30, 2016, San Diego, CA. [www.toxpath.org](http://www.toxpath.org)

## Career Opportunities

To see the most current postings, click on the image above.

To place a classified ad, please contact the [ASVCP](#) for more information

- Faculty Position in Veterinary Clinical Pathology, University of Florida
- Clinical Pathologist, WIL Research
- UK Director of Clinical Pathology, GlaxoSmithKline
- Senior/Principal Toxicologist, Seattle Genetics

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