



SOCIETY FOR PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY

NEWSLETTER

Summer 1998

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Edwina Popek, DO

It's hard to believe that it's been nearly two years since the long range planning met here in Houston. Much has been accomplished towards the goals set at that time and those involved are to be congratulated. From the pleas by some of our committee chairs, our help is still needed.

One of the goals of that meeting was to create a "broader-tent" of membership to encourage enjoyment in the society. In the spirit of that issue Dr. Liliane Boccon-Gibod has asked that the International Paediatric Pathology Association Newsletter be published in toto in the Society for Pediatric Pathology Newsletter. I was a little confused between all the pediatric pathology societies around the world, Dr. Liliane Boccon-Gibod offers some clarification elsewhere in this Newsletter.

I know that many of you are traveling, spreading the word about pediatric pathology. Why not send me a photograph and some information on your trip and I'll make you famous in the Newsletter?

Included in this Newsletter:

* ***Spring 1999 Meeting
Call for Abstracts***

*Deadline, post marked no
later than September 18, 1998*

* ***Abstract Instructions***

* ***IPPA Newsletter***

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

J. Thomas Stocker, MD

In October, 1996, the Society held a Strategic Planning Meeting following its interim meeting in Houston. At that meeting, about 45 members of the Society identified seven specific areas that they felt were the most important concerns of the Society. These issues were stated as follows:

1. Convince others of pediatric pathology's unique value by defining and measuring what is unique about pediatric pathology.
2. Strengthen our influence on the practice of pathology by enhancing pediatric pathology through initiatives targeted primarily for non-pediatric pathology audiences.
3. Become and be assertive and passionate leaders within the Society by developing strategies and more clearly defining the roles of the Society leadership.
4. Continue the process of planning by making strategic planning an integral part of the Society's council business.
5. Expand the influence of the Society by expanding its membership through creation of a "broader tent" with easier entry into the Society.
6. Apply new communication technologies to local/international education by creating a new committee for Communications Technologies.
7. Enhance research by expanding and defining the activities of the Research Committee.

Over the ensuing 21 months the Society has addressed these issues through its council and committees. At the September meeting in Toronto we will continue the process by holding a two-hour planning session as part of a "pre-council meeting" on Thursday morning, September 17. The committee chair and council members will discuss the issues derived from the Houston meeting and will set aside at least an hour to suggest and look at "new" issues that are of interest or concern to our members. If you have an issue you would like discussed, please contact me or one of the committee chair (see the listing on page 5 of this newsletter) or prepare a short description of the issue which can be distributed to the planning group prior to the Toronto meeting. Please send the description by August 20. (Email: JStocker@USUHS.mil) You are also welcome to attend the Thursday morning meeting to present your issue in person.

I would also like to congratulate Denis Benjamin, Jeremy Berry, Cheryl Coffin, Julian Garvin, Jocelyn Hicks and the Editorial Board of *Pediatric Pathology and Developmental Pathology* for the timely publication of the first four issues of our journal. The Society and Springer-Verlag are asking the National Library of Medicine to approve the journal for abstracting and indexing as soon as possible.

We hope you will be able to join your colleagues in Toronto in September as the Hospital for Sick Children and the University of Toronto host the 1998 interim meeting of the Society. We look forward to seeing you there.

INTERIM MEETING RAFFLE II

Edith P. Hawkins, M.D.

Drawing to be held at the Interim Meeting Banquet in Toronto
Saturday, September 19, 1998

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- * Kleinman RE, Gilger MA, Braverman RM, **Finegold MJ, Hawkins EP**, Klish WJ - Atlas of Pediatric Gastrointestinal Disease. B.C. Decker, Inc., 1998.
- * **Kaplan, Cynthia G** - Color Atlas of Gross Placental Pathology. Igaku-Shoin, 1994.

Tickets - 10\$ for 1 or 3 for 25\$

Do not have to be present to win.

If unable to attend meeting, tickets may be purchased from the National Office by sending a check made out to:

**Society for Pediatric Pathology
6728 Old McLean Village Drive
McLean, VA 22101**

Tickets not available by mail after September 5, 1998.

IPPA, PPS, IAP, SPP WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Dr. Liliane Boccon-Gibod, MD, Chairperson, IPPA

The International Pediatric Pathology Association (IPPA) is an "umbrella" association. IPPA's main role is to enhance the links between the pediatric pathology societies and promote pediatric pathology around the world. It also runs the IPPA course, which is mainly organized, in Europe, but with participants from all over the world. The IPPA does not have much power or money, (usually this goes together) but it traditionally organizes the pediatric pathology program at the international meeting of the International Academy of Pathology (IAP) meetings (Hong-Kong 94, Budapest 96, Nice 98, Japan 2000). This is one of the reasons why I am in charge of this part of the Nice meeting, the other one being that the French organizers of the Congress have asked me to be on the Scientific Committee of the Congress.

The Paediatric Pathology Society (PPS) is more or less the European Association of Pediatric Pathology. Most of its members (approx. 200) are from Europe but a few are from Australia, South Africa, and New Zealand. This Society, of which I am also a member, was mainly British when it was founded by John Emery, but in the recent years more and more people from Continental and Eastern Europe have become members. Never-the-less, it always keeps a dominating number of people from the UK amongst its officers.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Beverly Rogers, MD, Chairperson

The first half of 1998 has been a busy time for all involved with *Pediatric and Developmental Pathology*. With four issues published, we are moving forward with our application for indexing and abstracting by the National Library of Medicine. Once indexing is approved, it will be retrospective to the first volume. We ask you to continue to send your best articles to our journal; the support of all members is essential to maintain the standard of quality set by these first four issues. Send your manuscripts to: Denis R. Benjamin, MB, BCh, Editor-in-Chief, Department of Laboratories, Children's Hospital and Medical Center, 4800 Sandpoint Way N.E., PO Box 5371, MS CH-37, Seattle, WA 98105-0371

If you haven't visited the Web Site recently, take a few minutes to browse. Dr. Paul Dickman and colleagues have been working hard to update the Site with information useful to both members and non-members. Just a few of the categories covered by the Web Site are upcoming meetings and events (including registration forms), a roster of members, and information about training programs. A section on SPP publications contains search capabilities for the past issues of *Perspectives in Pediatric Pathology*. Links to various other Web Sites are available. The address of the Web Site is: <http://path.upmc.edu/spp/>

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Joe Rutledge, MD, Chairman

The Nominations Committee, has begun its process of selecting officers for 1999, a slate of which will be presented to council in September. Your suggestions should be forwarded directly to Dr. Rutledge as soon as possible.

The SPP is invested in its committee structure. Committee members not only have the rewards of contributing their expertise and judgement to the Society, opportunity to work closely with members they may not have gotten to know, but also gain an additional line on their CV. Your membership on a committee is vital to both the organization and to the discipline of pediatric pathology. While the next round of appointments will not take place until the Spring meeting 1999, it is hoped that the selection process can be finished in time for designated appointees to attend the Spring 1999 committees meetings, as observers. To that end, if you are interested in committee membership, either contact the committee chair directly to express an interest or talk with Joe Rutledge who will be responsible for working with committee chairs to appoint new members.

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WORKSHOPS FOR THE FUTURE - A PLEA

Kathy Patterson, MD, Chair, Workshop Subcommittee

I need help! The Workshop and Symposium subcommittee of the SPP Education Committee is charged with the task of finding topics that meet the needs of the society members and to then match those topics with appropriate course directors. In the ideal world, we would each year be buried in a pile of workshop suggestions from interested members and potential workshop course directors. Unfortunately, in the past 1-2 years we have gleaned only a smattering of suggestions for topics from the meeting evaluations and even fewer able bodies coming forward to offer themselves as course directors. I therefore make a double plea:

1. **Send us some ideas.** The workshops are intended to be practical, with opportunities for questions and comments from the course attendees. We would like to include a variety of topics incorporating the wide range of interests extant in our society. What new topics would you like to see in the upcoming year? Is there an interest in things like computer/digital graphics or photography? What organ systems have we ignored? And whom would you suggest as a course director for your ideas?
2. **Send us some workshop proposals.** Here is your opportunity to share your interests and expertise with your colleagues. The 2 hour workshops should incorporate recent advances in your area of expertise, presented in an interesting and thought-provoking manner. All I need initially is a short description of your proposed workshop including your goals in making the pre-

sentation. If the committee accepts your proposal, you will be required to prepare a handout with appropriate references for distribution at the workshop. You will also need to provide a set of Kodachrome slides for distribution following the workshop. A stipend of \$400 for the first year and \$300 for succeeding years is provided to help defray costs.

Send your ideas and workshop proposals to: Kathy Patterson, MD, SPP Education Committee, Chair, Workshop Subcommittee, Phone 206/526-2592; Fax: 206/527-3840; E-mail: kpatte@chmc.org

FUTURE PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY MEETINGS

Society for Pediatric Pathology

1998 SPP Interim Meeting, September 18-19
Toronto, ON, Canada

Symposium: *New Horizons in Cardiovascular Pathology*

1999 SPP Annual Meeting, March 20-21
San Francisco, CA

Symposium: *Renal Disease*

Workshops: *Pediatric Bone Tumors and Tumor-like Lesions; Congenital Malformation in the Fetus; New Advances in Pediatric Muscle Pathology; Fine Needle Aspiration in Pediatrics; Brain Tumors of Childhood; Pediatric Hematopathology.*

1999 SPP Interim Meeting, September 24-25
Providence, RI

**7th International Congress on
Pediatric Laboratory Medicine**
*September 30, October 1-4, 1998
Estoril Portugal*

Organized by the International Association of Pediatric Laboratory Medicine, Portuguese Society of Clinical Pathology, National Association of Clinical Pathologists and the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine.

For more information: 7th Congresso Mundial de Patologia Pediatrica, Attn: Dr. Judite Delgado, Rua Tenente Espanca, 36 - 3º Dto, 1050 Lisboa, Portugal; Phone: 351.1.795 15 46 Fax: 351.1.793 53 64.

The Philippe Laudat Conference
September 27-October 1, 1998

Immune Molecules and Cells in Implantation and Early Pregnancy, AIX LES BAINS (France).

Trophoblast class I (HLA G and C); NK and other uterine lymphocytes; Immune responses in pregnancy (Th1/Th23 -

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moust/human); Tolerance to paternal MHC, Cytokines in pregnancy; Hormonal control of cytokines in peri-implantation uterus.

This pluridisciplinary conference is aimed at promoting scientific high-quality meetings, as to compare opinions, research hypotheses and methodologies. The objective is to bring together scientists from a wide range of disciplines, thus enabling them to establish personal contacts, undertake new collaborations in the aim of widening scientific knowledge in every field of Biomedical and Health Research.

For more information contact: Olivier Morin, Head of the Philippe Laudat Conference, INSERM, Department De L'Information Scientifique et de la Communication. 101, rue de tolbiac, F-75754 PARIS, Cedex 13, France; Tel: 33 (0) 1 44 23 60 89; Fax 33 (0) 1 44 23 60 69; E-mail: Morin@tolbiac.inserm.fr; laudat@tolbiac.inserm.fr. Registration on internet <http://www.inserm.fr> (conferences Philippe Laudat page).

POSITIONS

National Search for a Pediatric Pathologist

UniPath, LLC, a 23 member multispecialty pathology group based in Denver, CO with a busy in and outpatient laboratory practice is seeking an AP or AP/CP board certified pathologist with subspecialty board certification in pediatric pathology.

Responsibilities will include autopsies and surgical pathology in the fields of neonatal and pediatric pathology in addition to placenta pathology. Preferences will be given to candidate with strong skills in general surgical pathology. This position is open at a 675-bed tertiary care facility covered by UniPath. Applicants should send their CV to Ms. Tricia Hughey, UniPath, LLC, 2180 S. Leyden Street, Denver, CO 80222

Driscoll Children's Hospital - Pathologist.

Qualified candidates will be board certified in anatomic and clinical pathology and be board eligible or certified in the subspecialty of pediatric pathology and eligible for Texas license. Training and/or experience in molecular genetics will be beneficial but all applicants with strong diagnostic, teaching skills and experience are encouraged to apply.

The hospital supports a well established, fully accredited large pediatric residency training program. Affiliation with Texas A&M University Health Science Center provides increased opportunities for students, faculty, and medical staff.

The pathology department provides surgical pathology, autopsy, and clinical laboratory services. The clinical laboratory provides hematology, chemistry, coagulation, immunology, flow cytometry, microbiology and transfusion medicine.

Interested candidates are requested to send a current CV, letter of intent, and references to Fae Bryan, Search Committee Coordinator, PO Box 6530, Corpus Christi, TX 78466-7530 or Fax 512/694-5317.

Officers/Council Members

** indicates new appointment*

Officers

J. Thomas Stocker - **President**
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Council

Susan Simonton (1999)
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Raj Kapur (2000)
*Carole Vogler (2001)
*Cheryl Coffin (2001)

Committee Chairs & Members

** indicates new appointment*

Archives:

Lila Penchansky (Chair-2000)
Stephanie Young (1999)
Ona Faye-Peterson (2000)

Distinction and Awards:

David Witte (Chair-2000)
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Cirilo Sotelo-Avila (2000)
*Drucilla Roberts (2001)
Henry Krous (ex-officio)

Bylaws:

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Gary Roloson (1999)
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Education:

Henry Krous (Chair-1999)

Workshop:

Kathleen Patterson (1999)
Jeff Goldstein (2000)
*Amy Lowichik (2001)
*Aliya Husain (2002)

Abstract:

Halit Pinar (1999)
Ricardo Drut (2000)
Pierre Russo (2000)
*Charles Timmons (2001)
*Ernest Cutz (2001)

CME:

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Lisa Teot (1999)
*Sarah Johnson (2001)
*Gloria Kohout (2001)

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Derek DeSa (2001)
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Finance:

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Liaison:

Deborah Perry (Chair, Sec/Treas)
Henry Krous-education chair (1999)
David Parham-research chair (2000)
David Zwick-practice chair (2000)

Membership: *still need new appointee*

Virginia Baldwin (Chair-1999)
Sue Hammond (1999)
Gail Schauer (2000)
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Nominating:

Joe Rutledge (Chair- 1999)
John Gillan (1999)
Pat O'Shea (2000)
*Kevin Bove (2001)
Past Presidents: John Buchino
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Publications:

Bev Rogers (Chair-2001)
Kevin Bove (1999)
Julian Garvin (1999)
Larry Becker (2000)
*Steve Qualman (2000)
ex-officio:
Don Singer - Perspectives
James Dimmick - Persepectives
Denis Benjamin - Pediatric Pathology
Edwina Popek - Newsletter
Paul Dickman - Website
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