# Association for Molecular Pathology

## **Annual Meeting Abstracts**

October 29-November 02, 2008 Grapevine, Texas



### **CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)**

This activity ("Association for Molecular Pathology 2008 Annual Meeting") has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), the American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP) and the Association for Molecular Pathology (AMP). FASEB is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

FASEB designates this educational activity ("AMP 2008 Annual Meeting") for a maximum of 30 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ (includes 5.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ for the optional "Community Pathology Outreach Program"). Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CME application forms are available online (www.amp.org) beginning October 29, 2008. Should you have questions, contact the FASEB Office of Scientific Meetings and Conferences (301-634-7010; email fasebcme@faseb.org) or the AMP Administrative Office (301-634-7939; email amp@asip.org), 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814. For the purposes of Continuing Medical Education credits toward the American Medical Association Physician's Recognition Award, the Community Pathology Outreach Program is presented as an optional component of the 2008 AMP Annual Meeting (http://www.amp.org/2008/indexco.htm) and is jointly sponsored by FASEB, ASIP, and AMP. Registrants of the 2008 AMP Annual Meeting must register separately for the Community Pathology Outreach Program to participate in the latter educational activity. Registrants of the Community Pathology Outreach Program must register separately for the 2008 AMP Annual Meeting to participate in the latter educational activity.

#### **Meeting Objective/Target Audience**

The objective of the "AMP 2008 Annual Meeting" is to provide a forum for the exchange of new research by scientists and investigators and to facilitate knowledge acquisition regarding issues and challenges related to care and prevention. At the completion of this activity, participants should be able to: 1) discuss the research underway and/or current diagnostic approaches to molecular hematopathology (including clonality, translocations, and point mutations), the molecular testing of tumors in anatomic pathology, molecular techniques that aid in resolving diagnostic dilemmas in infectious diseases, and molecular genetic testing of inherited diseases; 2) demonstrate a gained level of knowledge of the methods and techniques being used by researchers and practitioners; and 3) utilize information and data that lead to improvements in human health. The AMP 2008 Annual Meeting is especially targeted to clinical practitioners, research scientists, medical education professionals, and students and postdoctoral fellows with an interest in gaining a basic and/or advanced understanding of diagnostic, prognostic, and therapeutic approaches in the areas of hematopathology (leukemias, lymphomas, lymphoproliferative disorders), solid tumors and soft tissue tumors, infectious diseases (viral, bacterial, fungal, parasitic), and inherited diseases, with the goal of improving patient care and enabling constructive interactions with pathologists, other health care practitioners, and laboratory directors and technologists. The "Community Pathology Outreach Program" is an optional component of the AMP 2008 Annual Meeting and is targeted to clinical practitioners, research scientists, and medical education professionals who have little experience with molecular diagnostic testing and who have an interest in gaining a basic understanding of molecular pathology to enable constructive interactions with molecular diagnosticians to improve patient

#### **Disclosure Policy**

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