AMP 2017 Annual Meeting - Registration and Housing Now Open!

We are now accepting registrations and housing reservations for the AMP 2017 Annual Meeting!

AMP is pleased to offer discounted registration to those who register prior to September 8, 2017. We have also secured exceptionally competitive hotel room rates for attendees and exhibitors. We recommend you make your housing reservations as soon as possible to guarantee a spot at your first choice hotel! When making your housing reservation, please plan to join us on Wednesday, November 15th for a full day of Corporate Workshops.

See you in Salt Lake City!
- The AMP 2017 Program Committee

Advocacy News

In May 2017, AMP hosted advocacy events organized by the Professional Relations Committee and the Economic Affairs Committee. AMP President Federico A. Monzon, MD led a “Lunch and Learn” on May 8, where representatives from six cancer patient advocacy groups discussed recent advances in molecular testing and how the developments affect the treatment and prevention of cancer.

On May 17, Economic Affairs Committee Chair Samuel K. Caughron, MD headed a virtual meeting focusing on standards for and challenges of clinical utility for molecular testing. Over 15 representatives from Medicare Administrative Contractors and private insurance companies participated in the conversation. During the discussion, various case studies were used to exemplify the issues regarding clinical utility that labs and payers face. AMP’s advocacy efforts will continue through the summer with additional Lunch and Learn and payer engagement events already in the works.

You’re Invited! AMP 2017

A message from the AMP 2017 Program Committee Chair,
Daniel E. Sabath, MD, PhD

It is my honor to invite you to attend the Association for Molecular Pathology (AMP) 2017 Annual Meeting from November 16-18, 2017 in Salt Lake City, Utah. We hope you will also join us for a full day of Corporate Workshops on Wednesday, November 15.

AMP is the leading organization in the field of molecular diagnostics, and our meeting is “the premier gathering” of molecular professionals. As technologies change and new challenges arise, members and non-members alike rely on our meeting to obtain the critical information needed to ensure that their patients receive the best care and best results.

The theme of our meeting this year will be, "Where
AMP News

Welcome, Board of Directors!
AMP's Board of Directors gathered in Bethesda, MD on June 8-9. Volunteer leadership is a critical component to our association's success. **Make sure to vote for our next Board of Directors and other leadership positions by 11:59 EDT on June 14!** If you have not received emails about the voting process or are experiencing any difficulties, please contact us at elections@amp.org.

AMP Hosts Biennial Molecular Genetic Pathology Review Course
On June 1-4, AMP welcomed 55 attendees to the biennial live Molecular Genetic Pathology (MGP) Review Course. Over the course of 3.5 days of intense updates and review of molecular diagnostics, participants had the opportunity to learn directly from recognized experts in molecular pathology, most of whom hold MGP certification. The MGP course is geared towards individuals preparing for the Molecular Genetic Pathology Subspecialty Certification Exam or for those looking for a refresher or an introduction to molecular genetic pathology. All live sessions were recorded and the course will be made available online later this summer. Thank you to all who participated in this event!

AMP 2016 Annual Report Now Available
2016 was a busy year for our society! See what we've been up to in our newly rebranded annual report.

Clinical Practice News

AMP Launches Revised Test Directory
The AMP Test Directory is back! New and improved, the AMP Test Directory features up-to-date test options, robust help files, and improved search functions.

"This unique resource is a direct benefit for AMP members wishing to list their tests in the directory and is available to all members of the community looking for tests," said Alexis B. Carter, MD, Informatics Subdivision Chair and Test Directory Editor. Add your lab today!

Clinical Practice Guidelines Update
To date, AMP volunteers and staff have collaborated on the development and release of two pivotal guidelines in 2017:

- Molecular Biomarkers for the Evaluation of Colorectal Cancer: Guideline From the American Society for Clinical Pathology, College of American Pathologists, Association for Molecular Pathology, and American Society of Clinical Oncology
- AMP Global

On April 3-5, 2017, AMP held its inaugural Global Congress on Molecular Pathology. More than 500 attendees from all over the world gathered in Berlin, Germany, to learn about the latest developments in diagnostic technologies and their clinical applications.

The Global Congress brought together an international network of molecular professionals and representatives of the diagnostics industry to educate healthcare practitioners and to advance the value of molecular laboratories in providing high quality patient care. We hope that you will join us at the next Global Congress, which will be held in 2019 in Seoul, South Korea.

To view the abstract listing or collect CE credits, visit the AMP Global website.
Guidelines for Validation of Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)-based Oncology Panels: A Joint Consensus Recommendation of the Association for Molecular Pathology and College of American Pathologists

Additional accompanying resources are available here.

Do you have an idea for a clinical practice project? We want to hear from you! Email us at cpcprojects@amp.org.

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