



CLINICAL PROBLEMS ASSEMBLY NEWSLETTER

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Message From Assembly Chair

Gerard J. Criner, MD

Dear colleagues, I would like to update you on the Clinical Problems Assembly activities that have occurred over the past year and provide you with updated plans of Assembly activities for the upcoming year. Specific information regarding our website, exciting new changes for the CP Assembly annual meeting program and the initiation of new activities to foster the involvement of junior members in assembly activities have been successful to date and will continue to grow in the next year. New workgroups that have been initiated to engage program directors to provide advice to the Assembly on expanding CP Assembly activities to foster fellow education and training and also to increase the participation of international members. The new format of submitting case reports to the annual meeting has resulted in over 500 new abstracts being submitted to the Assembly this year. Most case reports were submitted by first time annual conference attendees who are fellows in training. These activities show promise in recruiting new members into the CP Assembly and broadens our mission in satisfying the educational needs of junior as well as more established members. All of these activities ensure that a dynamic process continues to evolve within the Assembly that includes more members who are at multiple levels of training and experience who all seek to expand their knowledge and overall improve their education in the research and treatment of respiratory diseases. The following are brief updates of the website, international meeting and planning committee activities of the Assembly over the preceding year.

Assembly Web Director Report

Victor Kim, MD

The Website Subcommittee continues to meet and formulate ideas for enhancing the CP Assembly Website. This subcommittee will develop and execute new plans for improving the appeal and utility of the website to the clinicians, scientists, and doctors in training that comprise our assembly membership.

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Assembly Web Director Report

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We have proposed plans for our own separate website. This website would include not only all of the information currently housed on the CP Assembly Website, but also a new clinical series as well, such as a review of sentinel articles or case based learning format. The ultimate format is yet to be determined. We have also focused on ways to better define our assembly and to easily navigate to our website, in an effort to attract greater viewership of current and future members.

We have worked hard to maintain a high standard for the ATS Clinical Cases, a monthly clinical case in an interactive format, designed to provide education to practitioners, faculty, fellows, residents, and medical students in the areas of pulmonary, critical care and sleep medicine.

The Website continues to be a source for Assembly news, CP Assembly projects in progress, current CP Assembly ATS statements, awards, and links to the state of the art series in the American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, the fellows reading list, and patient education materials.

Program Committee Report

Scott Palmer, MD, MHS, Chair & Kevin R. Flaherty, MD, Chair-elect

As many of you know, the Assembly on Clinical Problems Program Committee has been hard at work to ensure we present the latest and best topics at the 2010 ATS International Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana, May 14 to 19.

As Program Committee Chair, I'd like to encourage you to attend this year's meeting. In total, the Assembly on CP is sponsoring more than 40 sessions focusing on topics ranging from novel disease biomarkers to large scale clinical trials and outcomes research across many common pulmonary diseases. Needless to say, the breadth of our assembly's interests will be well-represented at ATS 2010. **Our program includes** translational and clinical sessions related to COPD, interstitial lung disease, transplant medicine, interventional pulmonary and lung cancer.

Programming will include scientific symposia, mini-symposia, poster discussions, thematic poster sessions, post-graduate courses, meet-the-professor seminars and sunrise seminars. In addition, this year we have mini-symposia, poster discussions and thematic poster sessions devoted to the new ATS case report submissions. These exciting sessions will provide a first opportunity for many trainees and junior faculty to directly participate in the ATS International Conference. I've highlighted the specific sessions being sponsored by our assembly below.

You should have already received an e-mail with a link to the online-only Advance Program and registration materials, which are now available on the Society's Web site at www.thoracic.org/go/international-conference. To ensure attendees are aware of special programming and other highlights, the ATS has also produced a conference brochure that was mailed to U.S. members and e-mailed to international members at the end of January.

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Remember, those who register early are more likely to get a room in their hotel of preference.

Your attendance is also encouraged at the Assembly on CP's meeting on Monday, May 17, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. This open meeting provides all CP Assembly members with an opportunity to hear about upcoming plans for our Assembly and contribute to future leadership decisions through the election of future conference committee chairs and other important positions. We strongly encourage the involvement of trainees and junior faculty in the process, as they represent the future of our assembly.

If you have any questions about the conference, please send an e-mail to conference@thoracic.org. I look forward to seeing you all in New Orleans.

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Postgraduate Courses

Friday, May 14, 2010

PG2	PRACTICAL ISSUES IN THE MANAGEMENT OF INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE	8:00 AM	-	4:00 PM
PG3	INTERVENTIONAL PULMONOLOGY WITH PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION: TOOLS AND KNOWLEDGE TO EMPOWER YOUR PRACTICE	8:00 AM	-	4:00 PM
PG4	UPDATE ON CYSTIC FIBROSIS 2010: PATHOBIOLOGY, GENOMICS AND TREATMENT	8:00 AM	-	4:00 PM

Saturday, May 15, 2010

PG17	THORACIC IMAGING	8:00 AM	-	4:00 PM
PG18	STATE OF THE ART CONTROVERSIES IN CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMO- NARY DISEASE: A PRO-CON DEBATE	8:00 AM	-	3:00 PM
PG19	CARDIOPULMONARY EXERCISE TESTING FOR THE PRACTICING CLINICIAN	8:00 AM	-	3:30 PM

Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine

Sunday, May 16, 2010

A2	FROM ASTHMA TO TRANSPLANTATION: GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX AND THE LUNGS	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
A82	WHEN PULMONARY AND CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS ARE OBESE	1:30 PM	-	4:00 PM

Monday, May 17, 2010

B2	TWO SIDES OF THE SAME COIN? CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DIS- EASE AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
B3	IMPLICATIONS OF RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIAL RESULTS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PULMONARY VASCULITIS	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
B82	IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS: NEW GUIDELINES, LATEST DISCOVER- IES AND IMPLICATIONS	1:30 PM	-	4:00 PM
B83	THE INFLUENCE OF HISTORY AND MOLECULAR ANALYSIS ON TREATMENT OF NON-SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER: "TAILORED THERAPY"	1:30 PM	-	4:00 PM

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Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

C2	SEVEN QUESTIONS EVERY CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE PATIENT WANTS ANSWERED	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
C3	CLINICAL TRIALS IN IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
C82	SIX QUESTIONS REGARDING SARCOIDOSIS	1:30 PM		4:00 PM
C83	HOT TOPICS IN LUNG TRANSPLANTATION: PRO-CON DEBATES	1:30 PM	-	4:00 PM

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

D2	ACUTE EXACERBATION, STABILITY, AND ACCELERATED DECLINE: THE NATURAL HISTORY OF IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
D3	TREATING CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE BY NOT TREATING THE LUNG: WHAT AND HOW TO TREAT COMORBIDITIES	8:15 AM	-	10:45 AM
D82	BEYOND PACK YEARS: WHO IS REALLY AT RISK FOR LUNG CANCER?	1:30 PM	-	4:00 PM

Meet the Professor Seminars

Sunday, May 16, 2010

MP404	CASE-BASED APPROACH TO DIFFICULT NON-TUBERCULOUS MYCOBACTERIAL INFECTIONS	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP405	TRANSPLANT IMMUNOSUPPRESSION: PRACTICAL GUIDELINES FOR THE PULMONOLOGIST AND CRITICAL CARE SPECIALIST	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP406	GETTING THE MOST FROM PLEURAL FLUID ANALYSIS	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP407	ANESTHESIA AND SEDATION DURING FLEXIBLE BRONCHOSCOPY	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP408	CREATION AND SUCCESSFUL MANAGEMENT OF AN INTERVENTIONAL PULMONARY PROGRAM	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP409	NON-INVASIVE VENTILATION FOR ACUTE RESPIRATORY FAILURE OUTSIDE THE ICU	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM

Monday, May 17, 2010

MP502	ALPHA-1 ANTITRYPSIN DEFICIENCY: STATE OF THE ART	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP503	PULMONARY MANAGEMENT OF A PATIENT WITH NEUROMUSCULAR DISORDER	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP504	BRONCHIECTASIS: A CASE-BASED SESSION ON DIFFICULT DILEMMAS IN BRONCHIECTASIS	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP505	ROLE OF LUNG TRANSPLANT IN THE MANAGEMENT OF IPF	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP506	PLEUROSCOPY: A WINDOW TO PLEURAL SPACE	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP507	LAM: CYSTS AND CELLS: CAN THEY BE CURED?	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP508	THE SPN IN 2010: THE STATE OF THE ART IN THE EVALUATION OF THE PULMONARY NODULE	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP509	INFECTION IN COPD: PATHOGENESIS AND TREATMENT	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP510	UPDATE IN CF	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

MP602	SUCCESS AS AN INVESTIGATOR IN A CLINICAL TRIAL	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP603	LUNG CANCER STAGING IN 2010	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP604	FIVE MOST MISSED LESIONS ON PLAIN CHEST RADIOGRAPH	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP605	IMAGE GUIDED BRONCHOSCOPY: GETTING THE MOST ZAP AND ZING OUT OF YOUR PHOTONS AND SOUND WAVES	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM

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Meet the Professor Seminars

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

MP606	CURRENT CONCEPTS IN DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF COCCIDIOIDOMYCOSIS	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP607	WHAT'S NEW IN COUGH?	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP608	PLEURAL ADVANCES: THORACENTESIS: MYTHS AND FACTS?	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM
MP609	PULMONARY SARCOIDOSIS: FROM THE BASICS TO DIFFICULT MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS	12:00 PM	-	1:00 PM

Sunrise Seminars

Monday, May 17, 2010

SS103	HYPERSENSITIVITY PNEUMONITIS: FINDING THE FEATHER IN THE HAYSTACK	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS104	CONNECTIVE TISSUE-ASSOCIATED INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS105	A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO PATIENT PHENOTYPING IN COPD	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS106	USE OF INDWELLING CATHETERS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PLEURAL EFFUSIONS	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS107	WHAT CAN INTERVENTIONAL BRONCHOSCOPY DO FOR YOU?	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS108	MITOCHONDRIAL MYOPATHIES: AN EMERGING CLINICAL CHALLENGE FOR THE PULMONOLOGIST, INTENSIVIST AND SLEEP SPECIALIST	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

SS203	DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF CELLULAR AND HUMORAL REJECTION IN LUNG TRANSPLANT	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS204	SARCOIDOSIS MANAGEMENT: HEAD TO TOE	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS205	MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE PATIENT WITH CHRONIC THROMBOEMBOLIC PULMONARY HYPERTENSION	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS206	ENHANCED CLINICAL TRIAL STUDY DESIGN USING IMAGING BIOMARKERS IN COPD/EMPHYSEMA	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS207	WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SEDATION FOR BRONCHOSCOPY?	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS208	EBUS-TBNA: HOW TO IMPROVE THE YIELD	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

SS303	FUNGAL DIAGNOSTICS	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS304	HOW TO MANAGE PATIENTS ON IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE AND BIOLOGIC AGENTS	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS305	COPD AND OSTEOPOROSIS: UNRAVELING THE LINK BETWEEN THE LUNG AND SKELETAL SYSTEM	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
SS306	COLLAGEN VASCULAR DISEASE AND THE LUNG:	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM
	LESSONS LEARNED FROM DIFFICULT CASES			
SS307	HOW DO I APPROACH THE PLEURA IN 2010?	7:00 AM	-	8:00 AM

Thematic Seminar Series

Monday, May 17, 2010 thru Wednesday, May 19, 2010

TSS1	COPD 2010: OPTIMUM TREATMENT OF THE COPD PATIENT
TSS2	MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT
TSS3	LUNG CANCER: CHALLENGES IN DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT

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Workshops

Sunday, May 16, 2010

WS1 IS THIS IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS? CASES FROM THE ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE OF THE NIH IPFNET 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Monday, May 17, 2010

WS4 CYSTIC LUNG DISEASES: CASE-BASED APPROACH TO DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

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WS6 NON TUBERCULOUS MYCOBACTERIAL LUNG INFECTION: PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

WS7 LUNG CANCER IN 2010: INCORPORATING THE NEW STAGING, PROGNOSTIC AND PREDICTIVE MARKERS INTO EVERYDAY MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PRACTICE 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Mini Symposia

Sunday, May 16, 2010

A13 TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH IN LUNG TRANSPLANTATION: PGD, BOS AND MORE 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

A14 TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH IN CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: NOVEL BIOMARKERS AND DISEASE MECHANISMS 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

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B14 TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH IN INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

B94 CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE SUSCEPTIBILITY AND PHENOTYPE 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

C14 EMERGING THERAPIES IN INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

C15 HIGHLIGHTS FROM CLINICAL PULMONARY CASE REPORTS 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

D92 NEW INSIGHTS INTO CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENTS AND PHENOTYPES 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

D93 LUNG CANCER: MOLECULAR PHENOTYPING AND TREATMENT 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Poster Discussion Sessions

Sunday, May 16, 2010

A23 IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS: EPIDEMIOLOGY, BIOMARKERS, AND OUTCOMES 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

A102 ADVANCES IN CYSTIC FIBROSIS 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

A103 INSIGHTS INTO IMAGING, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

A104 CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: MANAGEMENT OF ACUTE EXACERBATIONS AND COMORBIDITIES 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

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B22 ADVANCES IN LUNG TRANSPLANT 8:15 AM - 10:45 AM

B103 CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: INSIGHTS INTO THE PATHOBIOLOGY 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

B104 CASE REPORTS: PATHOLOGICAL PEARLS 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

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Poster Discussion Sessions

Monday, May 17, 2010

B105	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: PATHOGENESIS AND MECHANISMS OF DISEASE	1:30 PM - 4:00 PM
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Tuesday, May 18, 2010

C101	ADVANCES IN LUNG CANCER DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT	1:30 PM - 4:00 PM
C102	WHAT'S NEW IN INTERVENTIONAL PULMONARY: EBUS AND MORE	1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

D22	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: NOVEL OUTCOME MEASURES AND TREATMENTS	8:15 AM - 10:45 AM
D102	CASE REPORTS: UNUSUAL MANIFESTATIONS OF SARCOID AND OTHER SYSTEMIC DISEASES	1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Thematic Poster Sessions

Sunday, May 16, 2010

A40	CASE REPORTS IN PLEURAL DISEASE	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
A41	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE EXACERBATIONS: EPIDEMIOLOGY AND OUTCOMES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
A42	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE PHENOTYPES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
A43	INTERESTING CASES IN INTERVENTIONAL PULMONARY: TECHNIQUES AND COMPLICATIONS	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
A44	BRONCHOSCOPY AND INTERVENTIONAL PULMONOLOGY	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM

Monday, May 17, 2010

B36	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE NON-PHARMACOLOGIC TREATMENTS AND QUALITY OF LIFE	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
B37	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE PATHOGENESIS I	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
B38	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE PATHOGENESIS II	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
B39	CASE REPORTS IN INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE AND MORE I	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
B40	INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE: EPIDEMIOLOGY AND OUTCOMES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
B41	PATHOBIOLOGY OF DIFFUSE LUNG DISEASES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM

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C37	LUNG TRANSPLANTATION	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
C38	PLEURAL DISEASE: MESOTHELIOMA, EFFUSIONS, PNEUMOTHORAX	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
C39	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE DIAGNOSIS	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
C40	LUNG CANCER: PATHOBIOLOGY, STAGING, AND TREATMENT	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
C41	EMERGING PHARMACOLOGY FOR CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: MECHANISMS AND OUTCOMES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
C42	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE PHARMACOLOGIC INTERVENTIONS AND OUTCOMES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
C43	CASE REPORTS IN INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE AND MORE II	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

D41	CASE IN THORACIC SURGERY, PULMONARY VASCULAR DISEASE, TRANSPLANTATION, AND CONGENITAL ABNORMALITIES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
D42	INTERVENTIONAL PULMONOLOGY AND THORACIC SURGERY	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
D43	INTERESTING CASES OF TUMORS AND MORE	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM

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Wednesday, May 19, 2010

D44	COUGH, PFT AND INTERESTING CASE REPORTS IN AIRWAY DISEASE	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
D45	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE COMORBIDITY	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
D46	CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE: DIAGNOSIS AND EVALUATION	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
D47	INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE: COLLAGEN-VASCULAR DISEASE, SARCOIDOSIS AND OTHER DIFFUSE LUNG DISEASES	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
D48	INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE: PATHOBIOLOGY, BIOMARKERS AND TREATMENT	8:15 AM - 4:00 PM

Planning Committee Report

Antonio Anzueto, MD, Chair

Priority Rank	App Type	Applicant First Name	Applicant Last Name	App Degree	Primary Assembly	Secondary Assembly	Proposal Title
1	RENEWAL	Cynthia	Gries	MD	CP	CC / NUR / BSA / HPC / ECOI	Medical and Ethical Issues of Donation after Cardiac Death
1	RENEWAL	Philip	Harber	MD	EOH	/ BSA / NUR / CP	RESPIRATORY IMPAIRMENT AND DISABILITY
1	RENEWAL	Gary	Hunninghake	M.D.	CP	CP	ATS/ERS Statement on Sarcoidosis: an Update.
1	RENEWAL	Jeremy	Kahn	MD, MSc	BSA	/ NUR / CP / HPC	Pay for performance in pulmonary and critical care medicine
1	RENEWAL	Elizabeth	Klings	M.D	PC	CP	Diagnosis and Treatment of Pulmonary Hypertension of Sickle Cell Disease
1	RENEWAL	David	Lewinsohn	M.D.	MTPI	CP	Diagnostic Standards and Classification of Tuberculosis in Adults and Children
1	RENEWAL	Keith	Meyer	MD	CP	CPC	Management of the Lung Transplant Recipient: A Comprehensive, Evidence-based Guideline
1	RENEWAL	Ganesh	Raghu	M.D.	CP	CP	Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis: Evidence Based Guidelines
1	RENEWAL	Jesse	Roman	M.D.	RCMB	CP	Lung Fibrosis - a comparative biology approach
1	RENEWAL	Bruce	Trapnell	MD	CP	RCMB / PEDS	Standards for the Diagnosis and Management of Individuals with Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis
1.1	RENEWAL	Francis	McCormack	M.D.	CP	CP	Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Lymphangioleiomyomatosis
1.1	RENEWAL	Richard	Mularski	M.D., M.S.H.S., M.C.R.	BSA	NUR / CP	Palliative Management of Crisis Dyspnea
1.2	RENEWAL	Dona	Upson	MD	BSA	CP / PEDS / PR / HPC / CPC	Pharmaco-economics of Respiratory Medications
1	New No Funding Requested	William	Travis	MD	CP	RCMB	International Multidisciplinary Classification of Idiopathic Interstitial Pneumonias

Submit an Assembly/Committee Project Application for funding in FY2011!

We are happy to announce that ATS will once again accept NEW Assembly/Committee Projects for FY2011. All interested applicants should begin developing their ideas for Assembly/Committee Project Applications. Applications will be available on the ATS website at www.thoracic.org beginning in May.

Please consider submitting an application for an Assembly/Committee project. If you have a suggestion for a project application and you need assistance, please contact your Assembly Planning Committee Chair Antonio Anzueto at anzueto@uthsca.edu.

Please contact Miriam Rodriguez with any questions at tel: 212/315-8639 or email: mrodriguez@thoracic.org.

Nominating Committee Report

Bartolome Celli, MD, Chair

The members of the Nominating Committee Gregory Tino, Gerald Silvestri and Bartolome Celli met and following suggestions from other assembly members, formulated the following slates to be presented to the assembly meeting for their consideration and voting.

Program Committee Chair Elect

Stephanie Levine, MD
Greg Tino, MD
Frank Scirba, MD

Nominating Committee

Gerard Silvestri, MD, MS
Victor Kim, MD

At the time of the meeting, nominations for Nominating Committee members from the floor will also be considered. Voting will take place during the Assembly Meeting.

Patients to Speak At Thirteen Designated ATS International Conference Symposia

The ATS Public Advisory Roundtable (ATS PAR) has selected patients to provide a patient perspective at thirteen symposia at the 2010 ATS International Conference Symposia. This concept has worked exceptionally well within the format of the PAR Symposium for the last seven years as well as at an increasing number of sessions at ATS International Conferences from 2004 to 2009.

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Patients to Speak At Thirteen Designated ATS International Conference Symposia

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This is the seventh year that patient speakers will participate within the Assemblies' Symposia. The patients will make a five-minute presentation to offer insight into their personal journeys. This insight will address diagnosis, treatment, and how the disease has dramatically altered their lifestyle, family, career and relationships. They will share their perspective into what patients would like physicians and researchers to know about physician/patient relationships and the importance and relevance of the work in which investigators and researchers are engaged.

The symposia at which a patient perspective will be presented are listed below:

ASSEMBLY	SESSION CODE	TITLE	DATE/TIME
AII/RCMB	A9	COPD: A Disease Of Accelerated Aging?	Sunday 5/16/10 8:15-8:30 am
AII	A12	Severe Asthma: The Last 10 Years And Moving Forward	Sunday, 5/16/10 8:15-8:20 am
AII/RCMB	A87	Mucus Plugs For 2010: Update On Mucus In Airway Homeostasis And Disease	Sunday, 5/16/10 1:40-1:45 pm
MTPI/AII/RCMB	B7	Keeping The Immunosupressed Well: Clinical Infectious Challenges In Emerging Immunosupressed Hosts	Monday, 5/17/10 8:15-8:20 am
RSF/RCMB/AII/CP	B9	New Frontiers In Asthma Therapy	Monday, 5/17/10 8:15-8:20 am
CP/RCMB	B83	The Influence Of Histology And Molecular Analysis On Treatment Of Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: "Tailored Therapy"	Monday, 5/17/10 1:30-1:35 pm
SRN/CP	B86	Should We Treat Asymptomatic Obstructive Sleep Apnea Patients?	Monday, 5/17/10 3:30-3:35 pm
CP/PR	C2	Seven Questions Every COPD Patient Wants Answered	Tuesday, 5/18/10 8:15-8:20 am
CP/BS/PED	C10	Cystic Fibrosis: Bench, Bedside, And Beyond	Tuesday, 5/18/10 8:20-8:25 am
CP/AII	C82	Six Questions Regarding Sarcoidosis	Tuesday, 5/18/10 3:05-3:10 pm
CP/NUR/PED	C85	How Well Do Patients Use Respiratory Inhalers, Nebulizers, And Other Devices? It's More Important Than You Might Think	Tuesday, 5/18/10 1:30-1:35 pm
PAR	D12	Cells in Lung Injury and Repair of the Lung: Scientific and Translational Importance (PAR SYMPOSIUM)	Wednesday, 5/19/10 9:55 am
CP/NUR/RSF	D6	Pulmonary Rehabilitation In Chronic Respiratory Diseases Other Than COPD	Wednesday 8/19/10 8:30-8:35 am

ATS PAR Symposium

The ATS Public Advisory Roundtable (PAR) is pleased to announce the ninth ATS PAR Symposium to be presented at the ATS International Conference in New Orleans on **Wednesday, May 19, 2010 8:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.** The topic of the symposium is “**Cells in Lung Injury and Repair of the Lung: Scientific and Translational Importance**” and it will be jointly chaired by Jo Rae Wright, PhD, Michael Matthay, MD, and Teresa Barnes. The program includes the following:

- Michael A. Matthay, MD - Cell-Based Therapy For Lung Injury
- Bernard. Lo, MD - Ethical And Policy Issues Regarding Cell-Based Therapies: Anticipating and Addressing Potential Obstacles to Scientific and Clinical Innovation
- Jahar Bhattacharya, MD, PhD - Reversal of Lung Inflammation By Mesenchymal Stem Cells
- Landon S. King, MD - Role of Lymphocytes In Mediating Recovery From Acute Lung Injury
- Mark R. Looney, MD - Role of Neutrophils And Platelets In Mediating Acute Lung Injury
- Danielle Benich - LAM Patient Perspective
- Duncan J. Stewart, MD - Future Cell-Based Therapies

ATS PAR Poster Session

The ATS PAR Annual Poster Session will be open from Sunday, May 16 – Tuesday, May 18 2010 in the Exhibit Hall of the Ernest N Morial Convention Center Convention Centre. Public Interest Organizations (PIO's) concerned with lung and sleep disorders will present information about their organizations. A representative from each organization will be present at the poster session to provide additional information.

The American Thoracic Society Public Advisory Roundtable celebrating 2010: Year of the Lung is pleased to invite you to our fourth annual patient forum

Breathing Better with the ATS Forum

This is a forum at which patients will have the unique opportunity to network and learn more about their disease.

**SATURDAY MAY 15, 2010
FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.**

**Hilton New Orleans Riverside
Two Poydras Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
(Grand Salon A, 1st Level)**

You'll have an opportunity to hear from patients and experts in the pulmonary community and network with them afterwards. The event will be held in conjunction with the ATS International Conference.

Hors d'oeuvres will be provided at the meeting.

This year's discussions will focus on Lung and Environmental Health issues, and panelists include:

William Martin II, MD • Michael Busk, MD, MPH • Kenneth Paris, MD, MPH
David Schwartz, MD • Leon Zoller

PLEASE RSVP BY EMAIL TO cwhite@thoracic.org
NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2010

For further questions please contact Courtney L. White at (212) 315-8640.

ATS DOCUMENTS UPDATE

1. Reminder to all Document Developers--We have launched submission of official ATS documents through the manuscript central website that the Society uses for all journal submissions. All official ATS documents must be submitted through this website <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/atsdocs>

2. We are pleased to announce that ATS has hired a new methodologist, Jan Brozek, MD, PhD. Dr. Brozek is based at McMaster University in Canada, and as the Society's methodologist, will provide expert consultation to Document Developers. Our Documents Editor, Dr. Holger Schunemann and Dr. Brozek will both be attending the Conference in New Orleans this year and will be visiting with many Document Developers to answer methods-related questions.

For further information about document development, visit the document development area of the ATS Website at <http://www.thoracic.org/statements/document-development/index.php> or contact Judy Corn at jcorn@thoracic.org

2010 Guidelines Forum and Hands-on Workshop: What's new in document and guideline development?

All ATS members are invited to attend a free, hands-on guideline workshop conducted by the ATS Documents Editor, Holger J. Schunemann, MD, PhD, and the new ATS Methodologist, Jan Brozek, MD, PhD, to be held:

Sunday, May 16, 2009
6:45-9:45 pm
Versailles Ballroom, Third Level
Hilton New Orleans Riverside
2 Poydras Street
New Orleans, LA 70140
Tel: (504) 561-0500 | 1-800-HILTONS

Refreshments and a light dinner will be served.

SEARCH ANNOUNCEMENT

The American Thoracic Society has opened the search for the Editor of its peer-reviewed publication, the *Proceedings of the American Thoracic Society* (PATS), succeeding Alan R. Leff, M.D., who has been serving as Editor since the inception of the journal in 2004.

PATS publishes reviews of clinical or basic science commonly resulting from conferences or workshops organized or sponsored by the ATS and/or other organizations to provide a better understanding of diseases within respiratory, critical care medicine, and sleep. Publication is episodic.

It is anticipated that the Editor will be named in 2011 for a five-year term, but will not assume responsibility until March 2012. This timeline will allow the newly selected Editor to train with Dr. Leff for one year to ensure a smooth transition. The Search Committee is seeking candidates who are in a field relevant to lung health, critical care medicine, and/or sleep who have editorial experience.

Letters of interest, including a statement of plans for the Editorship, and curriculum vitae should be submitted by May 3, 2010 to:

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We would like to thank the American Thoracic Society Corporate Member Program, The National Emphysema Foundation Honoring Claude Lenfant, MD, ATS PAR Members, Sleep Group Solutions and Apnex Medical for providing Travel Awards. ATS Assembly Program Committees selected awardees based on the abstracts submitted to the 2010 International Conference.
