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**Re:** Report on ASIP Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2011

Dear ICPI Committee Members,

I thank you for offering me the ICPI Trainee Travel Award to attend the ASIP Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2011. There were many events I found useful. Particularly, my attendance at the ASIP's Career Development Workshop and Breakfast was very important to me. Hearing directly from research-intensive pathology program directors about what they expect from prospective students, and how to prepare to become a fully independent researcher have given me a more concrete aim. I took the opportunity to glimpse at the various research studies going on in pathology, which broadened my view about potential branching points in the future. Hence, it reminded me to focus on principles, not protocols, so that I can face the evolving nature of medicine. My quest to become a physician-scientist in the area of pathology is closer at hand because of this meeting. Much thanks.

Sincerely,  
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