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Dear Dr. Sobel:

Thank you very much for the Intersociety Council for Pathology Information (ICPI) Travel award, which enabled me to attend the College of American Pathologists (CAP) 2011 annual meeting on September 11-14, 2011 in Grapevine, Texas.

This meeting allowed me to present two of my research projects. My poster presentations were titled as "*Lack of SOX11 Expression in a Marginal Zone-like Mantle Cell Lymphoma: Is It an Indolent Variant?*" and "*Ewing Sarcoma/Primitive Neuroectodermal Tumor of the Kidney: A Case With Fine-Needle Aspiration Findings and Critical Literature Review*". It was a very rewarding experience to present my projects and discuss with my resident colleagues and practicing pathologists.

I also had excellent experience from attending various lectures in hematopathology, dermatopathology, soft tissue, flow cytometry, and molecular pathology. The educational value of these lectures was superb and provided the most updated information in diagnosis, patient management and application of new technology.

In addition, the meeting also provided a great platform for interacting with other residents, fellows, and practicing pathologists across the United States. It was an excellent opportunity to build up my own professional connections.

Overall, the CAP2011 meeting was a remarkable educational and professional event for pathologists. The ICPI travel award made this trip more affordable for me. This transformational academic event will greatly benefit my career development as a pathologist.

Sincerely yours,

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