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Mark E. Sobel, MD, PhD.  
Executive Officer  
The Intersociety Council for Pathology Information  
American Society for Investigative Pathology.

Re: ICPI Trainee Travel Award 2014

Dear Dr. Sobel,

I am grateful to the ICPI Awards Committee for selecting me as one of the recipients of the prestigious and highly competitive Trainee Travel Award to support my participation at the ASIP Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2014. This year's meeting program had some great scientists presenting their research at various sessions throughout the meeting. This was an intellectually enriching experience for me. I had a unique opportunity to present a snapshot of my doctoral research, learn from the experts and network with peers from all corners of the globe. I thoroughly enjoyed the poster sessions on Cardiac Pathobiology and Extracellular Matrix in Pathobiology, and the mini-symposia focusing on Cardiac Pathobiology and Lung Injury-Acute to Chronic. I had read their textbook on Immunology- but seeing Drs. Abbas and Litchman in person was an exciting experience at the ASIP Business Meeting & Awards Ceremony.

The ICPI Trainee Travel Award has made me more competitive for graduate student awards now and postdoctoral fellowships in near future. I sincerely thank the committee for bestowing this honor on me.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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