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Intersociety Council for Pathology Information

Attn: Donna Stivers

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Dear ICPI Board members,

It is a great honor for me to receive the Travel Grant, which greatly facilitated my attendance at the 103th USCAP meeting at the San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, CA, from March 1-8, 2014.

The USCAP meeting this year at San Diego was a very productive experience for me. I had 4 posters in genitourinary pathology, genomics and informatics. I had an excellent opportunity to interact with other pathologists and trainees to discuss and understand their experience with the application of molecular diagnostics in the practice of pathology. There were useful feedback and comments on my posters, which will significantly help improve the manuscripts that follow. The proffered paper sessions on pathobiology, genitourinary pathology and pathology informatics were very instructional and highlighted the latest and changing trends in these domains.

I am starting as a faculty in July 2014 in molecular and anatomic pathology. The meeting provided an exceptional opportunity to interact with several vendors in the molecular diagnostic space and the information on some of the new technologies will provide to be of meaningful use in my new job.

Finally, I did have a chance to network with my peers and other pathologists opening up the opportunity for future collaborations and research initiatives. The landscape of diagnostic pathology is rapidly changing and the meeting provided an appropriate update on this. I much appreciate this financial support from ICPI.

Sincerely,

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