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IMMUNOLOGY 2006

The Annual Meeting of The American Association of Immunologists (AAI), May 12-16, Boston, MA

Germain, Sharpe, Goodnow to Present 2006 AAI Distinguished Lectures



The 2006 AAI Annual Meeting — IMMUNOLOGY 2006, May 12-16, in Boston — will feature Distinguished Lectures by three AAI members selected for the honor by the AAI Program Committee earlier this year. The lineup includes:

- **Ronald N. Germain, M.D., Ph.D.**, NIAID, NIH, “A reconstructionist’s view of antigen-specific T cell activation: from molecules to models to movies” (*Saturday, May 13, 5:00 p.m.*)
- **Arlene Sharpe, M.D., Ph.D.**, Harvard Medical School, “The B7/CD28 family: moderating T cell activation and tolerance” (*Sunday, May 14, 5:00 p.m.*)
- **Christopher C. Goodnow, Ph.D.**, The Australian National University, “Mechanisms and genes inhibiting autoimmunity: many moving parts prone to failure” (*Monday, May 15, 5:00 p.m.*)

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NIH Budget Prospects: Crippling Cuts for FY 2006

On October 27, the Senate passed H.R. 3010, a bill appropriating funds for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies (“Labor/HHS appropriations bill”) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2006. The bill includes funding for the National Institutes of Health for FY 2006.

The Senate version of the Labor/HHS appropriations bill provides \$29.415 billion for NIH, an increase of \$1.050 billion (approximately 3.7%) over the FY 2005 level and \$908 million (approximately 3.185%) over the House-passed bill (passed on June 24). This increase reflected the extraordinary commitment and leadership of subcommittee chair Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA).

On November 16, a conference committee composed of members of the House and Senate agreed to provide NIH with an increase of approximately \$250 million (0.8%) for FY 2006, the smallest increase in 36 years. While this below-medical-research-inflation increase could result in NIH funding 505 fewer research grants in FY 2006 than in FY 2004, it comes at a time

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AAI Spearheads Letter to Dr. Zerhouni Articulating Non-Profit Publishers' Support of NIH Enhanced Access Objectives

AAI has previously reported in detail on the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) new "enhanced access policy", which became effective on May 2, 2005. (See *AAI Newsletter*, February/March 2005, p. 1). The policy requests, but does not require, that authors provide to NIH's PubMed Central (PMC) "*all manuscripts from research supported by NIH as soon as possible, and within 12 months of final publication.*" (See: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-05-022.html>). Although the policy is voluntary, NIH communications since May 2 have implied that NIH expects full compliance from researchers.

AAI has previously reported to our members that we oppose this new policy, viewing it as duplicative of highly successful programs of private not-for-profit publishers, including AAI, who provide free public access to all journal content (not just NIH funded research results) within a reasonable time after publication. (See AAI's position on the policy, published earlier this year, at http://www.aai.org/News_Board/CommentsNIHPublicAccess.pdf.) We have also cautioned our members, through newsletter articles and website information, that authors should be aware that submitting manuscripts to any other party, including NIH, may violate the copyright rights of the scientific journal (including *The JI*) which peer reviews and publishes their manuscript, and advised members to understand their copyright agreement.

NIH has recently reported that author compliance with the new policy is very low. This is likely a result of both author concerns about potential copyright infringement and author understanding that the new policy is an inappropriate use of increasingly limited NIH funds.

In an effort to help NIH achieve the goal of its new policy – providing public access to scientific literature – while also addressing publisher/scientific society concerns about copyright and the use of NIH funds, AAI has been working with a small group of leading not-for-profit publishers to advance a proposal that we believe would achieve all parties' goals: the NIH should establish links ("back-links") from PMC to the electronic versions of journals, which include both NIH-funded and non-NIH funded research results. These links would be invisible to users and obviate spending the millions of dollars this project is estimated to cost.

AAI initiated the sending of, and served as the primary author of, the following letter to NIH Director Elias Zerhouni, describing the linking proposal and urging him to accept it. While the proposal had been previously made orally to Dr. Zerhouni, AAI believed that a letter would be useful in articulating the value of the not-for-profit publishers' proposal and in communicating the breadth of support for it. The letter was co-signed by 57 scientific societies representing 112 journals and has received considerable publicity. As of press time, Dr. Zerhouni had yet to reply to the letter or to the group's October request for a meeting to discuss the proposal. However, several key Senators, including Larry Craig (R-ID), Mike Crapo (R-ID), and Kit Bond (R-MO) have written to Dr. Zerhouni encouraging his full consideration of the publishers' link proposal and their request that he meet with them.

October 17, 2005

Elias Zerhouni, M.D.
Director, National Institutes of Health
One Center Drive, Suite 126 – MSC 0148
Bethesda, MD 20892

Dear Dr. Zerhouni:

The undersigned nonprofit medical and scientific societies that publish journals are long-time supporters of NIH and have worked closely with NIH to see that important research findings are published and disseminated to the public through independent peer review, careful editing,

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when virtually all other Labor/HHS programs are slated for cuts by a Congress dominated by fiscal conservatives opposed to rising deficits and what they perceive as excessive government spending.

On November 17, in a shocking development, the House rejected the Labor/HHS conference report by a vote of 224-209 (22 Republicans joined all Democrats), marking the first time a conference report had been rejected in 10 years. Between Republican moderates who could not accept the deep cuts in important domestic programs and Members upset that their projects were stripped from the bill, the House leadership could not gain the support necessary for passage.

In response, the Senate approved a motion to instruct its conferees to designate as "emergency spending" \$2 billion that is currently set aside for low income heating assistance. If agreed to by the House, this would make available an additional \$2 billion for other Labor/HHS programs, including NIH.

While it is unclear what will happen next, House leaders have indicated that they may seek a year-long continuing resolution (CR), funding the Labor/HHS agencies at last year's levels or slightly below last year's levels (Congress may approve an "across-the-board" cut of up to 2% for all "non-defense, non-homeland security" programs). In the meantime, a short-term CR was passed that will fund affected agencies through December 17, 2005.

Pandemic Flu Fears Spur Hill, Administration Action

On November 1, President Bush released his long-anticipated national strategy to safeguard against the threat of a pandemic flu, calling for \$7.1 billion in "emergency" funding. The plan focuses on the need to detect outbreaks, expand domestic vaccine production capacity, stockpile treatments, prepare to respond to a pandemic, and ensure the health and safety of the American public.

The President's plan requests the following:

- \$2.8 billion to accelerate development of cell-culture technology;
- \$1.519 billion for the Departments of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Defense to purchase influenza vaccines;
- \$1.029 billion to stockpile antiviral medications;
- \$800 million for development of new treatments and vaccines;
- \$644 million to ensure that all levels of government are prepared to respond to a pandemic outbreak; and
- \$251 million to detect and contain outbreaks before they spread around the world.

The President also announced the launch of a new website designed to provide Americans with information about his plan and with accurate information on how to protect themselves and their families: www.pandemicflu.gov.

Several congressional committees responded to the release of the President's Pandemic Influenza Plan by holding hearings. HHS Secretary Michael Leavitt has testified before the Senate and House Labor/HHS Appropriations Subcommittees; the House Energy and Commerce Committee; and the House Committee on Government Reform. His testimony can be read at <http://energycommerce.house.gov/108/Hearings/11082005hearing1704/Leavitt2708.htm>. Officials accompanying the Secretary included National Institute on Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director Anthony Fauci, M.D. (AAI '73); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Julie Gerberding, D.D.; Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Health Emergency Preparedness William Raub, Ph.D.; and National Vaccine Program Office Director Bruce Gellin, M.D., M.P.H. Dr. Fauci has also testified at several hearings, including the House Committee on Government Reform (testimony available at <http://www.hhs.gov/asl/testify/t050630c.html>) and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee (testimony available at <http://foreign.senate.gov/hearings/2005/hrg051109a.html>).

Many issues addressed in the President's plan are controversial and may need to be modified if they are to win the support of Congress. Those issues include: the limited funding provided for state and local assistance, the lack of a sufficient domestic vaccine manufacturing market, liability exposure of manufacturers, and how the program would be paid for – i.e., as "emergency" spending, exempt from the usual budget/appropriations rules, or as regular spending, requiring an "offset" (reducing other spending to "pay for" the program).

Both Republicans and Democrats have introduced competing legislation to address the need for a market for vaccine manufacturers. Senator Richard Burr (R-NC), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Bioterrorism and Public Health Preparedness, introduced S.1873, the "Biodefense and Pandemic Vaccine and Drug Development Act of 2005." Burr's legislation would create a new federal agency, the "Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Agency," as a single point of authority in the federal government for developing medical countermeasures, including drugs and vaccines, in response to bioterrorism and natural outbreaks. The legislation would also provide liability protection and other incentives for manufacturers.

AAI Committee on Public Affairs Chair Ellen Kraig has written to Senator Burr to express AAI's "initial concern ... that the new agency created in this legislation might duplicate - or even impede - research and public health efforts already underway at both the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention." (AAI Director of

see *Focus on Public Affairs*, p. 16



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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION
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AAI Distinguished Lecturers for 2006: Germain, Sharpe, Goodnow (cont'd from p. 1)

Ron Germain (AAI '78) is Chief of the Lymphocyte Biology Section and Deputy Chief of the Laboratory of Immunology at NIAID, NIH. A native of New York City, he earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Brown University and Ph.D. and M.D. degrees from Harvard University. He served as an instructor, assistant professor, and associate professor of pathology at Harvard Medical School before joining NIH in 1981.

The Lymphocyte Biology Section studies basic aspects of how white blood cells known as T lymphocytes recognize foreign substances, or antigens. The work of the laboratory is organized around 3 themes within this larger topic: (1) the biochemical mechanisms involved in allowing TCR to discriminate between self and foreign peptide associated MHC molecules, including the control of T cell differentiation by the TCR signals generated by these recognition events; (2) the cell-cell interactions that guide adaptive immune responses, with a major focus on direct in situ imaging of these events; and (3) the development of quantitative models of immune function.

Among various honors, Dr. Germain received the DHHS Distinguished Service Award and the Meritorious Presidential Rank Award, Senior Executive Service, U.S. Government, and was the Ernst Schering Foundation Lecturer; Benacerraf Lecturer, Dana-Farber Cancer Center; and the Distinguished Lecturer in Immunology, Children's Hospital Research Foundation, Cincinnati.

He is a past associate editor and deputy editor for *The Journal of Immunology* and past member and chair of the AAI Membership Committee. He has served on the AAI Education Committee, the AAI Nominating Committee, and the AAI Introductory Immunology Course faculty.

Arlene Sharpe (AAI '96) is George Fabyan Professor of Comparative Pathology and Professor of Pathology at Harvard Medical School, and Director of the Immunology Research Division, Brigham and Women's Hospital. Born in Gary, Indiana, she received her bachelor's degree from Radcliffe College, Ph.D. from Harvard University, and M.D. from Harvard Medical School. She completed a residency at Brigham and Women's Hospital and a postdoctoral fellowship at the Whitehead Institute.

Dr. Sharpe's laboratory is involved in analyzing the role of costimulatory molecules in T cell activation in vivo, and focuses on the obligatory in vivo role of costimulators using targeted gene disruption. Costimulation is a pivotal event for T cell activation, determining the functional outcome of T cell interaction with antigen presenting cells (activation versus anergy). Learning how to manipulate costimulatory pathways implies the development of new ways to augment immunity to microbes and tumor antigens, as well as to inhibit the immune response to control transplantation rejection and autoimmunity.

Dr. Sharpe's honors include the McArthur Research Service Award, Beckman Young Investigator Award, and Lucille P. Markey Scholar Award in Biomedical Science.

She is a current member of the AAI Publications Committee, a past member of the AAI Program Committee, and a past major symposium chair and speaker at the AAI annual meeting.

Chris Goodnow (AAI '96) is Professor of Immunology, Immunogenomics Laboratory, Immunology & Genetics Division, John Curtin School of Medical Research, Australian National University, and founding Director, Australian Phenomics Facility, Australian National University. He is also a founder and part-time chief scientific officer for Phenomix Corp, an Australian/U.S. biotechnology start-up.

After earning a BSc (Vet) and Veterinary degree at the University of Sydney, he trained in molecular and cellular immunology at Stanford University, the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute, and University of Sydney and later headed a laboratory at Stanford University as an Assistant Investigator of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

Dr. Goodnow has pioneered the use of mouse molecular genetics to reveal the mechanisms regulating self-nonsel discrimination by the immune system — the crucial ability of the immune system to learn to differentiate our own normal tissues from invading microbes and mount attacks only on the latter. His work has changed the conceptual framework of self-tolerance by showing that it is acquired through a series of regulatory checkpoints at many steps in the maturation of immune cells.

Dr. Goodnow was the 1998 recipient of the AAI-PharMingen (now BD Biosciences) Investigator Award. Other honors include the University Medal from Sydney University, Searle Scholar, the Gottschalk Medal of the Australian Academy of Science, Commonwealth Centenary Medal, Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science, and Commonwealth Health Minister's Award for Excellence in Health & Medical Research.

The 2006 AAI Distinguished Lectures will be presented May 13, 14, and 15 at 5:00 p.m. in Ballroom A/B of Boston's Hynes Convention Center.

For complete **IMMUNOLOGY 2006** details (registration, housing, abstracts, awards, etc.), visit www.aai.org/Imm2006/default.htm.

For the up-to-the-minute AAI Program, visit <http://www.aai.org/Imm2006/Program.htm>.

Members in the News

Koretzky Named Chief of Rheumatology

Gary A. Koretzky, M.D., Ph.D. (AAI '92) has been appointed Chief of the Division of Rheumatology at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP).

Dr. Koretzky serves as the Leonard Jarett Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and as Director of the Signal Transduction Program of the Abramson Family Cancer Research Institute. He has been recognized widely for his pioneering research in immune cell development and activation, and within the Penn community as a dedicated and outstanding mentor to his students.



His laboratory focuses on understanding the important role T lymphocytes and other cells of the immune system play in combating infection and destroying cancerous tissue. Through specific receptors on their surface, these cells recognize infected or transformed malignant tissue. This recognition stimulates those receptors on the immune cells, initiating a cascade of biochemical events, the process known as signal transduction. Dr. Koretzky's work has elucidated important signaling events essential to immune cell development and function and has provided insights into possible new targets for the development of better therapeutic agents through drugs that modulate immune cell function.

A New Jersey native, Koretzky earned his A.B. from Cornell University and M.D. and Ph.D. (Immunology) degrees from Penn's School of Medicine. He completed a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in rheumatology at the University of California, San Francisco. He was Kelting Professor of Rheumatology at the University of Iowa College of Medicine before joining Penn as Professor of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine in 1999.

Dr. Koretzky was the recipient of the AAI-Pharming (now BD Biosciences) Investigator Award in 2000. He is a past member of the AAI Program Committee and AAI Clinical Immunology Committee, a past associate and section editor for *The Journal of Immunology*, and member of the AAI Introductory Course faculty.

He is a past president of the American Society of Clinical Investigation, a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and serves as the Editor-in-Chief of *Immunological Reviews*.

Crowe Receives IDSA Award

The Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) has selected **James E. Crowe, Jr., M.D.** (AAI '99), as the recipient of the 2005 Oswald Avery Award for early achievement. Previously known as the Squibb Award, this honor has been granted since 1968 in recognition of outstanding achievement in an area of infectious diseases by an IDSA member or fellow age 45 or younger.



Dr. Crowe is a viral immunologist and board certified pediatric infectious diseases specialist at the Vanderbilt University Medical Center. He is Professor of Pediatrics, Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, Ingram Professor of Cancer Research, Director of the Vanderbilt Alliance for Nanomedicine, and Director of the Vanderbilt Program in Vaccine Sciences. He is Director of the Monoclonal Antibody and Biosensor Program of the SouthEast Regional Center for Excellence in Biodefense.

His laboratory research deals with microbial pathogenesis and immunity, with an aim to discovery of mechanisms important to development of new vaccines. The lab has significant commitments in biodefense research and is invested in early efforts in nanomedicine, developing for medical intervention technologies that operate at a very small scale.

Dr. Crowe earned his M.D. from the University of North Carolina School of Medicine and was a pediatric resident there. He later served in the Respiratory Viruses Section of the Laboratory of Infectious Diseases at NIAID before joining Vanderbilt University in 1995. There, Dr. Crowe has made major advances in the understanding of immune responses to disease and to vaccine administration.

The Avery Award is named for Dr. Oswald Avery (1877-1955), who devoted 35 years at the Rockefeller Institute to research focused primarily on *streptococcus pneumoniae*. Seeking to determine the means by which "rough" pneumococci could be transformed into "smooth" fully virulent pneumococci, Avery and colleagues reported in 1944 that the transforming factor was DNA, thereby providing the critical evidence that nucleic acids possess biological specificity. This was a key discovery in the subsequent understanding of the structure of DNA and our current knowledge of molecular biology. Dr. Avery's dedication to research in infectious diseases and his pioneering discoveries prompted IDSA to award in his honor the medical research contributions of scholars under age 45.

Dr. Crowe is an *ad hoc* reviewer for *The Journal of Immunology*.

The American Association of Immunologists

2006 Travel & Related Awards



Application Deadline: January 16, 2006

**NEW
for 2006!**

Cynthia Chambers Memorial-eBioscience Junior Faculty Award -- To honor the memory of Dr. Cynthia Chambers, the AAI, in partnership with eBioscience, Inc., established this award in 2005 to advance the careers of junior scientists who attend the AAI Annual Meeting to present immunology research, specifically in the area of cancer biology. The recipient will receive a \$1,000 cash award. Selection is based on the submission of an original first-author abstract for presentation (oral or poster) at the forthcoming AAI Annual Meeting. Selection and notification of awardee will occur prior to the meeting. The awardee will be recognized and presented with a certificate during an awards ceremony at the Annual Meeting, and must attend the awards ceremony to receive the award.

AAI-Huang Foundation Trainee Achievement Award -- Established in 1997 through an endowment from the Huang Foundation, this award offers promising trainees* in the field of immunology a \$1,000 cash prize and support for travel to the AAI Annual Meeting. Selection is based on career promise and presentation of an outstanding first-author abstract at the meeting.

AAI Junior Faculty Travel Award -- Supported in part through an unrestricted educational grant from Bender MedSystems, this award offers a \$500 cash prize to young investigators based on career promise and submission of a first-author abstract to the AAI Annual Meeting. AAI members and nonmembers are eligible.

AAI Minority Scientist Travel Award -- The 2006 AAI Minority Scientist Travel Awards are funded by a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health [FASEB MARC Program: T36-GM08059-23]. This award provides eligible mentors, trainees,* and/or junior faculty members complimentary advance registration and travel support in connection with the AAI Annual Meeting. Two types of awards -- Faculty Mentor/Minority Trainee Award and Minority Trainee-to-Junior-Faculty Travel Award -- are available, with separate eligibility requirements for each. Awardees must attend the meeting and award ceremony.

Pfizer-Showell Travel Award -- Established in 1999 through an endowment from Henry J. Showell and Pfizer, Inc., this award recognizes the professional promise of an early career investigator (assistant professor or equivalent) by assisting the awardee with travel to the Annual Meeting to present immunology research. Selection is based on career progress and submission of an outstanding abstract selected for oral presentation at the meeting.

For AAI award eligibility requirements and instructions, visit <http://www.aai.org/Awards/default.htm>.

* Requires submission of AAI Trainee Certification Form: http://www.aai.org/Awards/PDFs/cert_form.pdf.

In Memoriam

John J. Cebra, Ph.D.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

John J. Cebra, Ph.D., AAI '63, a beloved colleague and mentor to a generation of immunology researchers and trainees at the University of Florida, Johns Hopkins University, and University of Pennsylvania, died on October 7.

The following tribute was published in the University of Pennsylvania's online *Almanac*. It is reprinted here with the kind permission of that publication.

Dr. John J. Cebra, the Annenberg Professor of the Natural Sciences and Professor of Biology, died October 7 at the age of 71. Dr. Cebra had served as the biology department chair 1979-1983 and 1987-1990. During his tenure at Penn, he was named a Guggenheim Foundation Fellow in 1983 and was elected a Foreign Member of the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters in 1998.

Of the many awards and honors that Dr. Cebra had received, those most meaningful to him were the American Association of Immunologists Award for Excellence in Mentoring received in April 2005, and the First Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society for Mucosal Immunology received in June 2005.

Born in Philadelphia, he graduated from Penn with a B.A. in chemistry in 1955, followed by a Ph.D. in protein chemistry from

Rockefeller University in 1960 under the thesis advisement of M.W. Chase. Prior to his arrival at Penn in 1979 as a professor, Dr. Cebra served as an assistant professor and later associate professor at the University of Florida, 1961-1966. He also served as associate professor of biology, 1967-1969 and professor, 1970-1979 at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Cebra was a recipient of the Eli Lilly Award in Microbiology and Immunology in 1968.

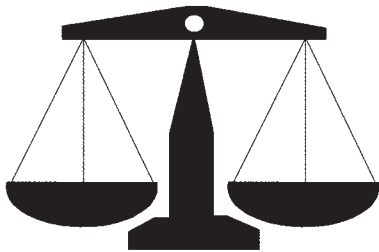


Dr. Cebra came to Penn in 1979 as professor of biology. Two years later he was named the Annenberg Professor of the Natural Sciences, a position he held until his death.

He is survived by his wife Ethel; three sons, Daniel, Christopher, and Jonathan; a daughter, Judy Cebra-Thomas; his mother, Jenny; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service [was] held Sunday, October 23 at 2 p.m. at the Lumberton Leas Community Center, 180 Woodside Drive, Lumberton, N.J. A departmental memorial service is also being planned; details will be published. Memorial donations may be made to the New Jersey Audubon Society or the Philadelphia Zoo.

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***Chronicle Article
Dramatizes Katrina
Aftermath for
Scientists, Labs***

The following article was published in The Chronicle of Higher Education on Wednesday, September 21, 2005. It is reprinted here with the kind permission of that publication.



*This article, “Katrina Destroyed Decades of Research, Some Scientists Find, and Took the Lives of Thousands of Lab Animals,” by Lila Guterman, is available online via the Chronicle of Higher Education website:
<http://chronicle.com/free/2005/09/2005092101n.htm>*

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Notice to Authors Submitting Manuscripts to *The Journal of Immunology*

**“Rapid Inspector” Tool is Integral Component of
The JI’s New Electronic Manuscript Submission Process**

As of October 1, 2004, *The Journal of Immunology (The JI)* began accepting new manuscript submissions exclusively via online submission, using eMTS, *The JI’s* manuscript submission and tracking system.

Authors of revised and accepted manuscripts must test the quality of their digital images using the preflight software **Rapid Inspector**. This step is a requirement of *The JI’s* all-electronic production process. Preflight software is available as a downloadable Java applet by visiting: <http://rapidinspector.cadmus.com/zim>.

Please note that authors must always enter their manuscript number when using Rapid Inspector. The above-referenced website includes detailed instructions on the installation of this application as well as guidelines for solving common problems with digital images. For assistance in using this tool, or in resolving problems that are reported with your images, contact *The JI’s* digital art support team. This is a dedicated helpline for *The JI’s* authors from which you can expect a response within 24 hours. It is available through e-mail and telephone:

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Telephone: 410-691-6211

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AAI Courses in Immunology

The American Association of Immunologists *2006 Introductory Course in Immunology*

at the

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, June 23-29, 2006

Course Director: Terri Laufer, MD, University of Pennsylvania

A comprehensive introduction to the basic principles of immunology offered by outstanding faculty in a two-part course. Suitable for students with a general biology background. Part I (June 24-26) covers the basic biology of the immune system. Part II (June 27-29) is a lecture series covering specific disciplines of immunology and emphasizing clinical relevance. Part II requires an understanding of basic immunology. Parts I and II may be taken separately at the discretion of the student. Course registration check-in starts June 23rd. The first lecture will start the morning of June 24th. 37 hours of CME will be offered.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 22, 2006

Attendance is limited to 220 registrants.

The American Association of Immunologists *2006 Advanced Course in Immunology*

at

Stanford University • Stanford, California • July 15-21, 2006

Course Director: Olivia M. Martinez, PhD, Stanford University

An intensive course designed for serious students of immunology. Leading experts will present recent advances in understanding the biology of the immune system and its role in health and disease. This course is directed toward advanced trainees and scientists who wish to expand or update their understanding of the field. This is not an introductory course; attendees are required to have a firm understanding of the principles of immunology. Course registration check-in starts on July 15th; the first lecture will be that evening. 44 hours of CME will be offered.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 1, 2006

Attendance is limited to 220 registrants.

FOR INFORMATION, COURSE OUTLINES, AND REGISTRATION, VISIT:

www.aai.org/Courses.htm

For questions or assistance in registering contact infoaai@aai.org or **301-634-7178**.

Overseas applicants are advised to apply early for visas.

AAI Welcomes New Members: 3rd Quarter 2005

NAME	CITY	STATE/ PROVINCE	COUNTRY
Carmen Alvarez-Dominguez , Ph.D.	Santander, Cantabria		Spain
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Grant-Related News

The Ernest Orlando Lawrence Award

The U.S. Department of Energy invites nominations for the Ernest Orlando Lawrence Awards, among the oldest and most prestigious science and technology awards given by the U.S. Government.

The award program seeks to encourage excellence in nuclear science and technology; inspire people of all ages through the examples of Ernest Orlando Lawrence and the Lawrence Award laureates; and highlight for the general public the accomplishments of the U.S. scientific community. The award honors scientists and engineers, at mid-career and showing promise for the future, for exceptional contributions in research and development supporting the Department of Energy and its mission to advance the national, economic, and energy security of the United States.

One award is given in each of the following seven fields:

- Chemistry
- Materials Research
- Environmental Science and Technology
- Life Sciences (including Medicine)
- Nuclear Technologies (Fission and Fusion)
- National Security and Non-Proliferation
- High Energy and Nuclear Physics

The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2006. The nomination of women and minorities is encouraged. For complete details regarding eligibility, nomination materials, and the selection process, visit <http://www.science.doe.gov/lawrence> or contact:

Mr. Peter M. Lincoln * SC 1.1 * U.S. Department of Energy *
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W. * Washington, D.C. 20585 *
Phone: (202) 586-9010 * E-mail: peter.lincoln@science.doe.gov.

Lasker Foundation Invites 2006 Award Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2006 Lasker Awards in Basic and Clinical Research. The Awards in 2006 will be offered in three categories: Basic Medical Research, Clinical Medical Research, and Special Achievement Award in Medical Science.

The major purpose of these Awards is to recognize and honor individuals who have made significant contributions in basic or clinical research in diseases that are the main cause of death and disability. The Award winners may reside in any country of the world. The Awards are intended to recognize contributions that have opened new fields of research, advancing novel concepts or their applications in a particular biomedical discipline. These advances may consist of a specific contribution or a long series of contributions that demonstrate the nominee's significant leadership towards the development of research concepts or their clinical application.

Basic Medical Research Award (\$50,000)

This Award honors the scientist or scientists who have made fundamental investigations that open new areas of biomedical science.

Clinical Medical Research Award (\$50,000)

This Award honors the scientist or scientists whose contributions, directly or indirectly, have led to the improvement of the clinical management or treatment of patients and to the alleviation or elimination of one of the major medical causes of disability or death.

Special Achievement Award in Medical Science (\$25,000)

This Award was inaugurated in 1996. It honors a scientist whose contributions to research are of unique magnitude and immeasurable influence on the course of science, health, or medicine, and whose professional career has engendered within the biomedical community the deepest feelings of awe and respect. Scientists who have previously won a Lasker Award are ineligible for this Award.

Since the Lasker program was first established in 1945, 71 Lasker Laureates have later won Nobel Prizes. Additional information on previous Lasker Laureates can be found online at our website <http://www.laskerfoundation.org>.

A distinguished panel of jurors will select the scientists to be honored. The 2006 Albert Lasker Medical Research Awards will be presented at a luncheon ceremony given by the Foundation in New York City on Friday, September 29, 2006.

Complete nomination requirements and forms are available at www.laskerfoundation.org.

Nomination and supporting letters should be received by the Foundation no later than February 1, 2006, and should be mailed to:

Albert Lasker Medical Research Awards * 110 East 42nd Street,
Suite 1300 * New York, NY 10017 * Attention: David Keegan.

For additional information or nomination forms, contact David Keegan * Phone: 212-286-0222 * Fax: 212-286-0924 * E-mail: dkeegan@laskerfoundation.org.

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AAI extends its condolences to the family,
friends, and colleagues of

John J. Cebra, Ph.D.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Sandler Program Announces 2006 Awards

The Sandler Program has announced its 2006 Awards Program, which seeks highly original thinking from investigators willing to step away from their current areas of research and tackle the problem of asthma. Prior experience in asthma research is not required.

The Program's goal is to develop important new pathways of investigation in basic research on asthma. The Program seeks to: (1) support highly innovative research; (2) draw outstanding investigators from other fields into the study of asthma; and (3) support asthma research by excellent investigators who are early in their faculty careers.

Awards are offered at two levels: Senior Investigator (\$250,000 per year for 3 years); and Early Excellence Awards (\$150,000 per year for 3 years). Awards are available to investigators in the U.S. and Canada.

The application is brief. Preliminary results are not required.

The next application deadline is February 10, 2006 (5:00 PM, PST) for funding beginning July 1, 2006. Further information is available at www.sandlerresearch.org, or from the Program Manager, Christy Artz: Email: artzc@sandlerresearch.org; Phone: 415-514-0730.

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Public Policy and Government Affairs Lauren Gross has since met with Senator Burr's staff to discuss our concerns in greater detail.) Although the Burr bill was later approved by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee and reported to the Senate for consideration, it is unclear whether it will move forward.

The Democrats' competing bill, S.1880, the "Biodefense and Pandemic Preparedness Act of 2005", sponsored by Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA), includes very different provisions regarding industry-related issues (i.e. liability, patent extensions, price setting) and a number of items related to public health preparedness.

Since both pieces of legislation have very different components, and since there is some overlap with the President's pandemic plan, considerable work will have to be done before either bill can move forward.

FASEB

Federation of American Societies
for Experimental Biology

Executive Director/Chief Operating Officer

The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) invites applications for the position of Executive Director.

Located in Bethesda, MD, FASEB is a coalition of 23 independent Member Societies representing the interests of biomedical and life scientists. The purposes of the Federation are to bring together investigators in biological and medical sciences represented by the Member Societies; to disseminate information on the results of biological research through publications and scientific meetings; and to serve in other capacities in which the Member Societies can function more efficiently as a group than as individual units.

The Executive Director reports directly to the President/Board and is the chief operating officer of the corporation, responsible for implementing business, financial, publication, advisory, public relations, educational, and other programs and policies approved by the Board. He/she provides leadership and direction to approximately 90 professional, technical and clerical support staff and manages an annual operating budget of \$15.5 million.

Qualified applicants should have executive/administrative experience with a record of achievement and leadership in academic, association or other non-profit organizations. Candidates will have proven administrative and leadership capabilities, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, knowledge and understanding of the legislative process, public policy, knowledge of current trends/issues facing the biological and life sciences, and a strong sense of diplomacy. An advanced degree (Ph.D., M.D., M.B.A.) is highly desirable.

Qualified candidates should send resume, cover letter and references (electronic attachments preferred) to: hr@faseb.org or mail application materials to:

FASEB President
Attn: Human Resources
9650 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20814

To view a complete job description visit our web site at: <http://www.faseb.org/hr/employ.html>

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printing and web hosting. In an effort to continue this collaborative relationship, we ask for your consideration of a proposal supported by our organizations. We believe will achieve NIH's goals of enhancing public access to publications reporting on NIH funded research while preserving the important role of scientific journals in peer review and maintaining the integrity of the scientific record.

We seek your participation in a public-private partnership taking advantage of the fact that most nonprofit publishers make the contents of their journals freely available to the public within 12 months of publication. We propose that NIH provide public access through its existing system of links from the abstracts that are indexed in the Medline/PubMed database rather than hosting author manuscripts on the PubMed Central website. By linking to journal websites NIH can provide access to more than a million articles that are available without cost to the government or to the reader.

A summary of our proposal is attached to this letter. The steering group for our organizations would like to meet with you to further discuss the benefits of this proposal and how our organizations can work with you to maximize the public's access to research publications.

Dr. Laura Brockway of FASEB will be in contact with your office to see if such a meeting can be arranged. Please contact her at 301-634-7650 if you have any additional questions.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) "Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH Funded Research": Not-For-Profit Scientific Publishers' Proposal for Improving Compliance and Achieving NIH Goals

Background and Challenge

On May 2, 2005, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) began to implement its new "Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH Funded Research." This policy requests that NIH grantees submit to NIH PubMed Central (PMC) manuscripts reporting on NIH-funded research after they have been peer reviewed and accepted for publication in scientific journals. At the time of submission, grantees are asked to designate a public release date that is 12 months or less after publication.

To implement this policy, NIH has communicated with NIH-funded scientists to explain the goals of the new policy (to enhance public access to scientific research and to better manage the NIH portfolio) as well as the manuscript submission process. However, NIH estimates that only 3% of available unpublished manuscripts have been uploaded to PMC.

Not-for-profit publishers' solution

The undersigned organizations and not-for-profit journals offer the following proposal as a means of helping NIH achieve its goals while also addressing our community's two major concerns

about concerns about the policy. These concerns are:

1. Ensuring the integrity of the scientific literature by publicly disseminating only the final, published article, rather than the author's unedited manuscript, and
2. Preserving the critically important role of scientific journals which peer review, edit, and publish articles resulting from NIH-funded research, providing independent validation of both the research results and the use of federal tax dollars to support scientific research.

The undersigned organizations and journals propose a public-private partnership with NIH that would take advantage of the fact that most not-for-profit publishers already make all their research articles - not just NIH supported ones - available for free to the public 12 months or less after publication. Instead of NIH/PMC undertaking a whole new publishing venture that involves formatting and publishing unfinished manuscripts of NIH-funded authors, NIH should use existing links from NIH's highly respected PubMed (a venerable search engine of scientific literature) to our journals' websites. Using these links, readers can access the final, published articles already residing on our journals' websites. Linking is seamless; the reader would simply click on the desired link and would be transferred automatically to the journal's website. If NIH so desires, these journals could identify for readers the articles that result from NIH-funded research.

To address NIH's desire to create an internal archive of manuscripts reporting NIH-funded research, journals would provide to NIH immediate access to journal content for internal use.

This proposal has the following advantages

1. NIH would, through existing links to journals, be able to help the public access millions of articles that are posted on private journal websites. Many not-for-profit publishers post their journals online through HighWire Press, a division of Stanford University Libraries. HighWire Press is the largest repository of free full-text life science articles in the world, containing over 15 million articles and nearly 1 million total free full-text articles, with approximately 10,000 more articles becoming available free each month. Since May 2, 2005, 121,434 free articles had been posted at HighWire, in striking contrast with 346 free author manuscripts that had been posted by PMC.
2. Linking would enable NIH to direct the public to vastly more scientific and health information, because NIH estimates it funds only about 10% of the research that is published in the scientific literature.
3. NIH could make these articles available to the public at significantly less cost than the new NIH policy, which requires NIH to receive, edit, and post manuscripts, since publishers are already providing these services at no additional cost to the public.

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4. Compliance with new NIH policy would dramatically increase because scientist-authors would not have to take any additional steps to comply; they would simply continue submitting their manuscripts to their professional journals, as they always have.

5. Scientist-authors would be protected from inadvertently violating the copyright agreements that they commonly sign with journals prior to the publication of their work.

6. NIH could spend far less time and effort educating scientists regarding the submission of manuscripts. NIH would work instead with scientific journal staff to ensure the successful linking to articles.

7. The public would have access to the most accurate scientific information possible because they would see only the final, published version of the article, not the author's unedited manuscript.

8. The integrity of the scientific record would be ensured because only the final, published version of the article would be publicly available and privately archived by NIH.

9. Not-for-profit journals would be better able to retain the value of their journals' identities and investments, helping to sustain the functions of peer-review and publishing of research results.

Why NIH should rely on professional scientific societies

Not-for-profit scientific journals are integral parts of professional scientific societies and play a critically important role in the development and advancement of science. Our societies and the journals they publish are responsible stewards of the scientific and biomedical literature, providing high quality peer-review, editing, publishing and archiving services for NIH-funded research. In this capacity, we have had a long, successful, and valued public-private partnership with NIH that we hope will continue to flourish. The proposal we put forth today would strengthen that important partnership and offers the best possibility for NIH to achieve its goals promptly, efficiently, at low cost, and with the support of the scientific publishing community.

List of groups co-signing (Organization and Journal(s))

American Academy of Periodontology -- *Journal of Periodontology*

American Association for Cancer Research -- *Cancer Research; Clinical Cancer Research; Molecular Cancer Therapeutics; Molecular Cancer Research; Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention*

American Association for Clinical Chemistry -- *Clinical Chemistry*

The American Association of Immunologists -- *The Journal of Immunology*

American College of Chest Physicians -- *CHEST*

American College of Physicians -- *Annals of Internal Medicine; ACP Journal Club*

American Dairy Science Association -- *Journal of Dairy Science*

American Dental Association -- *The Journal of the American Dental Association*

American Dental Education Association -- *Journal of Dental Education*

American Diabetes Association -- *Diabetes; Diabetes Care; Clinical Diabetes; Diabetes Spectrum*

American Geriatrics Society -- *The Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*

American Institute of Biological Sciences -- *BioScience*

American Physiological Society -- *American Journal of Physiology (AJP); AJP - Cell Physiology; AJP - Endocrinology and Metabolism; AJP - Gastrointestinal and Liver Physiology; AJP - Heart and Circulatory Physiology; AJP - Lung Cellular and Molecular Physiology; AJP - Regulatory, Integrative and Comparative Physiology; AJP - Renal Physiology; Journal of Applied Physiology; Journal of Neurophysiology; Physiological Reviews; Physiological Genomics; Advances in Physiology Education; Physiology*

American Psychiatric Association -- *American Journal of Psychiatry; Psychiatric Services; Academic Psychiatry; Psychosomatics; The Journal Of Neuropsychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences; Focus—The Journal of Lifelong Learning in Psychiatry*

American Roentgen Ray Society -- *American Journal of Roentgenology*

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology -- *The Journal of Biological Chemistry; Molecular and Cellular Proteomics; Journal of Lipid Research*

American Society for Clinical Pathology -- *American Journal of Clinical Pathology; LabMedicine*

American Society for Investigative Pathology -- *The American Journal of Pathology; The Journal of Molecular Diagnostics*

American Society for Nutrition -- *The Journal of Nutrition; American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*

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American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics -- *Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics*; *Pharmacological Reviews*; *Molecular Pharmacology*; *Drug Metabolism and Disposition*; *Molecular Interventions*

American Society of Animal Science -- *The Journal of Animal Science*

American Society of Hematology -- *Blood*

American Society of Human Genetics

American Society of Plant Biologists -- *Plant Physiology*; *The Plant Cell*

American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene -- *American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*

American Thoracic Society -- *American Journal of Respiratory Cell and Molecular Biology*; *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine*; *Proceedings of the American Thoracic Society*

Association for Molecular Pathology -- *The Journal of Molecular Diagnostics*

Biophysical Society -- *Biophysical Journal*

Botanical Society of America -- *American Journal of Botany*; *Plant Science Bulletin*

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press -- *Genes & Development*; *Genome Research*; *Learning & Memory*

European Molecular Biology Organization -- *The EMBO Journal*; *EMBOreports*

Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology -- *The FASEB Journal*

HighWire Press, Stanford University

Infectious Diseases Society of America
Journal of Infectious Diseases; *Clinical Infectious Diseases*

Massachusetts Medical Society -- *New England Journal of Medicine*

Ornithological Council -- *Auk* (American Ornithologists' Union); *Condor* (Cooper Ornithological Society); *Journal of Field Ornithology* (Association of Field Ornithologists); *Studies in Avian Biology* (Cooper Ornithological Society); *Pacific Seabirds* (Pacific Seabird Group); *Wilson Bulletin* (Wilson Ornithological Society)

Poultry Science Association -- *Journal of Applied Poultry Research*; *Poultry Science*

Project Hope -- *Health Affairs*

Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine -- *Experimental Biology and Medicine*

Society for Leukocyte Biology -- *Journal of Leukocyte Biology*

Society for the Study of Reproduction -- *Biology of Reproduction*

Society of Nuclear Medicine -- *Journal of Nuclear Medicine Technology*; *The Journal of Nuclear Medicine*

Society of Toxicologic Pathology -- *Toxicologic Pathology*

The American Society of Nephrology -- *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology*; *Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology*

The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology -- *Investigative Ophthalmology & Visual Science*; *Journal of Vision*

The Endocrine Society -- *Endocrinology*; *Endocrine Reviews*; *The Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism*; *Molecular Endocrinology*

The Entomological Society of America -- *Annals of the Entomological Society of America*; *Environmental Entomology*; *Journal of Economic Entomology*; *Journal of Medical Entomology*; *American Entomologist*

The Histochemical Society -- *Journal of Histochemistry and Cytochemistry*

The Physiological Society -- *The Journal of Physiology*

The Protein Society -- *Protein Science*

The International & American Associations for Dental Research -- *Journal of Dental Research*; *Critical Reviews in Oral Biology & Medicine*; *Advances in Dental Research*

The Radiological Society of North America -- *Radiology*; *RadioGraphics*

The RNA Society -- *RNA*

The Rockefeller University Press -- *The Journal of Cell Biology*; *The Journal of Experimental Medicine*; *The Journal of General Physiology*

The Royal College of Psychiatrists -- *British Journal of Psychiatry*; *Psychiatric Bulletin*; *Advances in Psychiatric Treatment*

The Society of Surgical Oncology -- *Annals of Surgical Oncology*



Q&A: About the NIH Public Access Policy

From The American Association of Immunologists,
publisher of *The Journal of Immunology* (*The JI*)

What is the NIH Public Access Policy?

On February 3, 2005, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) announced a new voluntary policy that affects most NIH grantees and the journals in which they publish the results of their research. The policy (NOT-OD-05-022) titled "Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH-Funded Research," requests that authors reporting research that is funded (in whole or in part) by the NIH deposit the full text of their accepted (but unedited and unformatted) manuscripts to the NIH PubMed Central repository for archiving and public dissemination.* The policy applies to manuscripts accepted for publication in *The Journal of Immunology* (*The JI*) on or after May 2, 2005.

Is the policy mandatory for NIH-supported researchers?

No. The NIH policy is voluntary and authors with NIH funding do not have to participate. Since the announcement of this policy, there has been confusion as to whether participation is truly voluntary. Following the announcement and implementation of this policy, extramural researchers and offices of sponsored programs received letters from NIH Director Elias Zerhouni, urging participation and immediate release of their manuscripts to the public. These letters have resulted in the interpretation of the policy as being mandatory for grant recipients and created confusion as to the interpretation of the copyright laws. In public statements, Dr. Zerhouni and other NIH officials have given assurances that the policy is voluntary and there are no repercussions for not participating. NIH grantees may still fulfill their progress report requirements by providing print copies of publications with their annual progress reports.

Does AAI support this policy?

The AAI does not support the NIH policy and has serious concerns about this policy. It is a costly effort that diverts limited federal dollars from biomedical research. It threatens the integrity of the scientific record by creating multiple versions of the same article. (Articles published in *The JI* have been peer reviewed, copyedited, and proofread for accuracy and consistency prior to publication and are the version of record. Manuscripts deposited at PubMed Central will have been peer reviewed but not copyedited or proofread by *The JI*.) It puts authors at risk of inadvertently violating copyright agreements with the journals in which they publish. It is an unnecessary burden for authors. It is redundant: successful programs are already employed by many scientific societies, including AAI, to make publicly available, at little or no cost, accurate research results in a definitive, published form.

Does AAI make *The JI* available to the public?

Yes. Since 1998, when *The JI* went online, AAI has provided free public access to abstracts of all manuscripts immediately upon publication and free public access to the full text of all articles – not just those supported by NIH funding – within 12 months of

their publication date.** These articles are available online as part of the archive residing at HighWire Press, the world's largest repository of more than 850,000 free full-text life science articles, with extensive search capabilities, cross-linking, and additional features not available through PubMed Central.

How does the NIH policy affect authors?

The NIH policy puts authors who are NIH grantees and choose to deposit their papers in PubMed Central in a difficult position by requesting them to pursue a duplicative and burdensome submission process that may result in copyright violation or infringement.

What is AAI's policy for authors publishing in *The JI*?

AAI and *The JI* highly value our authors and are dedicated to providing the best possible service to both authors and readers. Therefore, if an author elects to deposit an accepted manuscript into PubMed Central, AAI will grant a limited one-time waiver permitting such deposition, provided that the corresponding author (1) instructs the NIH to release the manuscript to the public no earlier than 12 months after final publication in *The JI*; (2) agrees that no changes or modifications will be made to the version of the manuscript that has been accepted by *The JI*; (3) agrees that this one-time waiver granted by AAI applies solely to deposition into PubMed Central and does not extend to any other repository, agency, or entity;*** and (4) agrees to and includes in the abstract of the submitted manuscript the following disclaimer:

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Contact ASTMH Headquarters, 60 Revere Drive, Suite 500, Northbrook, IL 60062; Phone (847) 480-9592; Fax (847) 480-9282; E-mail: astmh@astmh.org * Web: <http://www.astmh.org>

Dec. 16-19, 2005

45th ICAAC (Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy) Meeting, Washington, D.C.

Web: www.icaac.org

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Jan. 28-31, 2006

The Midwinter Conference of Immunologists at Asilomar,

Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, California
Conference limited to 650 attendees

Contact Ms. Kim Gurney, Registrar, P.O. Box 843, Cornet Drive, Foster City, CA 94404; Phone: (650) 571-8367; E-mail: kim.gurney@byu.net * Web: www.midwconfimmunol.org

Feb. 4-7, 2006

IV World Congress on Immunopathology, Respiratory Allergy & Dermatology, Pattaya, Thailand

Web: <http://www.immunopathology.org/>

Feb. 15 -18, 2006

2006 ASM (American Society for Microbiology) Biodefense Research Meeting, Washington, D.C.

www.asmbiodefense.org

Feb. 18-22, 2006

Biophysical Society 50th Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah

Web: <http://www.biophysics.org/meetings/2006/>

Mar. 26-28, 2006

2006 Gamma Delta T Cell Conference, The Salk Institute Conference Center, La Jolla, CA

Web: <http://www.scripps.edu/imm/gdtcell/>

Apr. 1-5, 2006

Experimental Biology 2006, San Francisco, CA

Web: <http://www.faseb.org/meetings/eb2006/>

Apr. 22-25, 2006

IV European Asthma Congress, Tenerife, Canary Island, Spain

Early Registration: before February 10, 2006; Advance Registration: before March 20, 2006; Abstract submission: before February 10, 2006

Web: <http://www.immunopathology.org/>

May 12-16, 2006

AAI Annual Meeting, "IMMUNOLOGY 2006" (stand-alone), Boston, MA

Web: www.aai.org/Imm2006

May 20-24, 2006

ISAC XXIII International Congress (International Society for Analytical Cytology), Quebec City Convention Center, Quebec City, Canada * Web: www.ISAC-net.org

June 7-10, 2006

Thomas L. Petty Aspen Lung Conference, 49th Annual Meeting, "Immunologic Diseases of the Lung," Given Institute, Aspen, Colorado

Abstract deadline: February 14, 2006

Contact: Jeanne Cleary * Conference Coordinator * Thomas L. Petty Aspen Lung Conference * 4200 East 9th Avenue, Box C272 * Denver, Colorado 80262 * 303-315-7767 * 303-752-2681 * 303-752-2678 (FAX) * jeanne.cleary@uchsc.edu

Web: www.aspenlungconference.org

June 23-29, 2006

AAI Introductory Course in Immunology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Application deadline: May 22, 2006 (registration limited to 220 participants)

Web: www.aai.org/Courses

July 1-6, 2006

10th International Congress, International Society for Developmental and Comparative Immunology, Charleston Place Hotel, Charleston, South Carolina

Web: <http://www.isdci.org/congress/index.shtml>

July 15-21, 2006

AAI Advanced Course in Immunology, Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Application deadline: June 1, 2006 (registration limited to 220 participants)

Web: www.aai.org/Courses

July 15-19, 2006

The American Society for Virology "25th Anniversary" Annual Scientific Meeting, Madison, WI

Contact: Sidney E. Grossberg, Secretary-Treasurer, American Society for Virology, (414) 456-8104 * Email: ASV@mcw.edu
Web: www.mcw.edu/asv

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MEETINGS CALENDAR *(cont'd from p. 21)*

July 21-28, 2006

World Transplant Congress 2006 — a jointly-sponsored meeting of the American Society of Transplant Surgeons, American Society of Transplantation and the Transplantation Society, Boston, MA
Web: <http://www.a-s-t.org/meeting/meeting.htm>

Sept. 6-9, 2006

16th European Congress of Immunology (ECI-Paris2006), First Joint Meeting of European National Societies of Immunology, Palais des Congrès, Paris, France
Web: <http://www.eci-paris2006.com>

Sept. 16-20, 2006

The 9th International Conference on Dendritic Cells, Edinburgh International Conference Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland
Web: <http://dc2006.org>

Oct. 15-19, 2006

ISNI2006: 8th International Congress of Neuroimmunology, Nagoya Conference Center, Nagoya, Japan
Web: <http://www.isni2006.org/>

Nov. 9-11, 2006

Innate Immunity: Recognition, Regulation, and Response, a joint meeting of the Society for Leukocyte Biology (SLB) and the International Endotoxin and Innate Immunity Society (IEIIS), Marriott Riverwalk Hotel, San Antonio, Texas
Web: www.leukocytebiology.org or contact slb@faseb.org

Nov. 10-15, 2006

The American College of Asthma, Allergy & Immunology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA
Web: <http://www.acaai.org>

Nov. 12-14, 2006

American Association of Veterinary Immunologists (AAVI) Annual Meeting, in conjunction with The Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD) Annual Meeting, Sheraton West Port Hotel & Lakeside Chalet, St. Louis, MO
Web: <http://www.cvmbs.colostate.edu/microbiology/crwad/>

2007

Feb. 19-23, 2007

British Society for Immunology (BSI) Annual Congress 2007, SECC, Glasgow, Scotland
Contact: Ben Stanley, Meetings Manager, British Society for Immunology; Tel +44 (0)20 8875 2423; Fax: +44 (0)20 8875 2434; e-mail: b.stanley@immunology.org
Web: <http://www.immunology.org/congress>

May 18-22, 2007

AAI Annual Meeting, "IMMUNOLOGY 2007" (stand-alone), Miami, FL

Apr. 28-May 2, 2007

Experimental Biology 2007, Washington, D.C.

June 1- 6, 2007

American Transplant Congress 2007, San Francisco, CA
Web: <http://www.a-s-t.org/meeting/meeting.htm>

July 14-17, 2007

The American Society for Virology 25th Annual Scientific Meeting, Corvallis, OR (Sponsor: Oregon State University)
Contact: Sidney E. Grossberg, Secretary-Treasurer, American Society for Virology, (414) 456-8104; Email: ASV@mcw.edu
Web: www.mcw.edu/asv

Nov. 9-14, 2007

The American College of Asthma, Allergy & Immunology Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX
Web: <http://www.acaai.org>

2008

Apr. 3-9, 2008

AAI Annual Meeting (EB 2008), San Diego, CA

Apr. 3-9, 2008

Experimental Biology 2008, San Diego, CA

May 30 - June 4, 2008

American Transplant Congress 2008, Toronto, Canada
Web: <http://www.a-s-t.org/meeting/meeting.htm>

2009

May 8-12, 2009

AAI Annual Meeting, "IMMUNOLOGY 2009" (stand-alone), Seattle, WA

Experimental Biology 2009, New Orleans, LA (*Dates TBD*)

2010

AAI Annual Meeting, "IMMUNOLOGY 2010" (stand-alone), *Dates/Site TBD*

Experimental Biology 2010, Denver, CO (*Dates TBD*)

2011

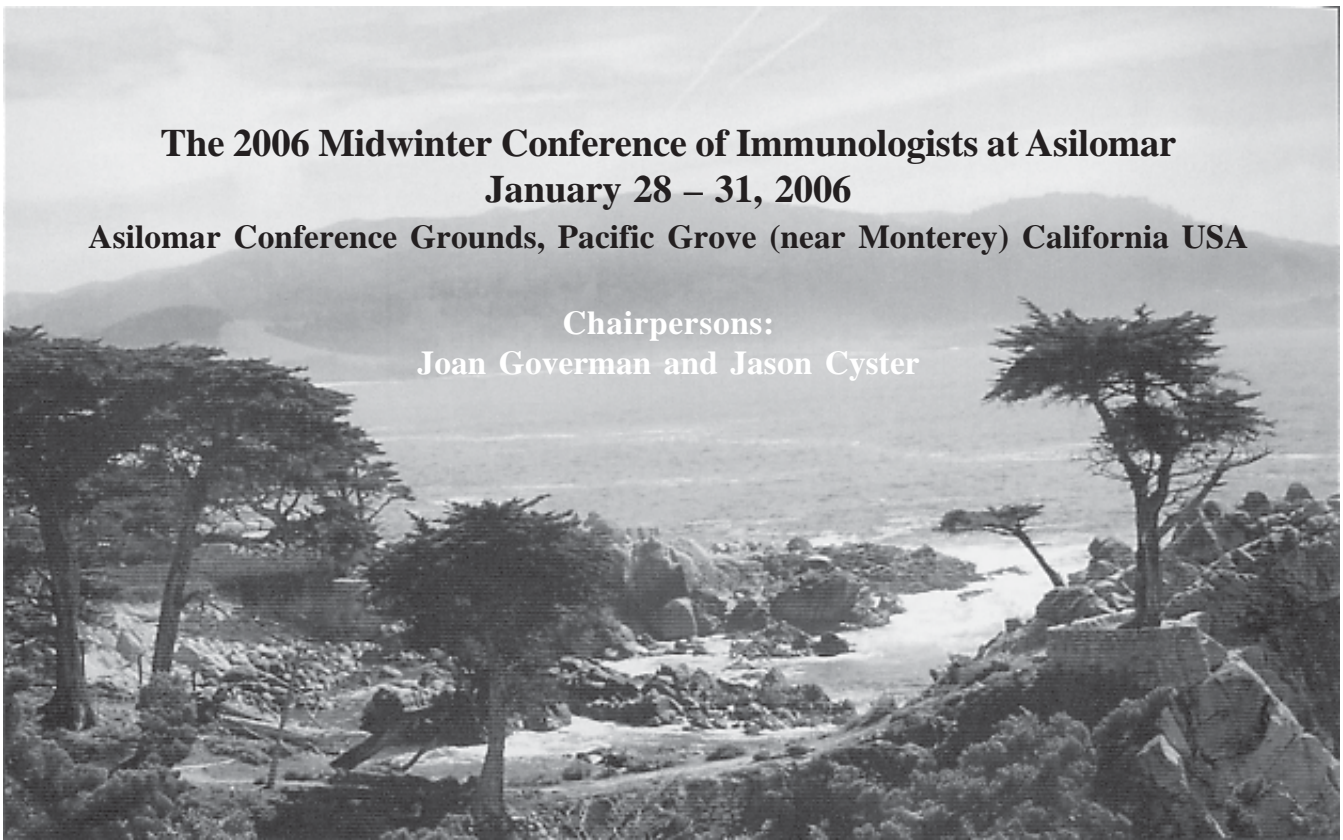
Experimental Biology 2011, Washington, D.C. (*Dates TBD*)

2012

Experimental Biology 2012, San Diego, CO (*Dates TBD*)

The 2006 Midwinter Conference of Immunologists at Asilomar
January 28 – 31, 2006
Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove (near Monterey) California USA

Chairpersons:
Joan Goverman and Jason Cyster



Saturday, January 28

The Dan H. Campbell Memorial Lecturer,
Christopher C. Goodnow

Sunday, January 29

Session I: Immune Tolerance 60 Years After Ray Owen's Discoveries (****Joan Goverman, Richard Flavell, Linda Sherman, Roberta Pelanda***)

Session II: Dendritic Cells and New Frontiers in Antigen Recognition (****Gwen Randolph, Yong-Jun Liu, Andy Mellor, Albert Bendelac***)

Monday, January 30

Session III: Gaining and Exerting Lymphocyte Effector Function (****Mark Davis, Anjana Rao, Klaus Rajewsky, Kathryn Calame***)

Session IV: Innate Immunity and the Host-Pathogen Interface (****Ruslan Medzhitov, Dan Portno, JoAnne Flynn, Laurent Coscoy***)

Tuesday, January 31

Session V: Cell Migration Dynamics in Lymphoid Organs (***Ellen Robey, Marc Jenkins, Mike Cahalan, *Jason Cyster***)

* = *Session Chair*

Registration limited to 650 attendees.

Registration deadline: Monday, November 14, 2005 (without a late fee)

Forms available via conference website or contact Ms. Kim Gurney, Registrar:

kim.gurney@byu.net; Phone (650) 571-8367 (Pacific time)

Conference website: www.midwconimmunol.org

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QUALIFICATIONS AND APPLICATION FOR REGULAR MEMBERSHIP 2006 MEMBERSHIP YEAR

The American Association of Immunologists (AAI) is a professional organization whose members have a strong interest in, and have made substantial contributions to, the science of immunology. AAI is a member of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) and is responsible for the publication of *The Journal of Immunology*. To be eligible for election to membership in the AAI, a candidate must meet **one** of the following criteria:

1. Possess a Ph.D., (or equivalent graduate degree, *e.g.*, D.Sc.) in immunology or related disciplines, or an M.D. (or equivalent medical degree, *e.g.*, D.D.S.) and be the **first** author of **one** significant original publication on an immunological topic in a reputable, English language refereed journal. Manuscripts "in press" are acceptable when accompanied by a letter from the publisher or Editor-In-Chief of the journal affirming its acceptance and imminent publication. Abstracts and unpublished papers **will not** be considered in evaluating whether a candidate meets the publications requirement for membership. *
2. Be an established scientist with substantial achievement in a related discipline and have at least one collaborative paper on an immunological topic in a reputable, English language refereed journal.

**These requirements may be waived under exceptional circumstances if a candidate shows evidence of other appropriate training and/or substantial research accomplishment.*

THIS APPLICATION PACKAGE MUST INCLUDE:

1. Three copies of your bibliography and curriculum vitae.
2. Three copies of a first author publication that meets the described criteria.
3. The name and signature of an active AAI member as your reference.

NAME: _____
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 PUBLICATION: _____
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 PHONE NO: (_____) _____ FAX NO: (_____) _____
 RESEARCH SPECIALTY: _____

REFERENCE:

NAME OF AAI MEMBER (*please print clearly*): _____
 SIGNATURE OF AAI MEMBER: _____

Applications should be mailed to the AAI office and marked to the attention of the AAI Membership Department. Please **DO NOT** send payment with your application. You will be invoiced upon approval.

Application Review Deadlines:

Applications are to be received in the AAI office by:	March 31	June 30
	September 30	December 31

2006 Dues Rates: January 1 - December 31: U.S. - \$260.00 Canadian - \$358.75 International - \$350.00

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Individuals may remain Trainee members for a maximum of eight (8) years. Certification **must** be renewed annually.

SECTION 1 -- APPLICANT INFORMATION

- I am a **Pre**-doctoral Trainee -- I expect to receive the _____ (*advanced degree*) in _____ (*mo/yr*)
- I am a **Post**-doctoral Trainee -- I hold the following advanced degree(s) (*please indicate all advanced degrees held and the month and year conferred*): _____

SECTION 2 -- CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT'S TRAINEE STATUS

(*to be completed by current AAI member*)

As a current member of the AAI, I hereby certify that the applicant identified above is either a regularly matriculated pre-doctoral student or a post-doctoral trainee and, as such, is eligible to remain a Trainee Member of the AAI.

Current AAI Member's Name (First, MI, Last): _____

Signature: _____

Title (Dean, Dept. Chair, or Professor in Charge): _____

AAI Member Number: _____ Date: _____

SECTION 3 -- APPLICANT PLEDGE AND PAYMENT

I _____, pledge that the copies of *The Journal of Immunology* purchased by me at the special subscription rate to Trainee Members are for my personal use. They will not be placed in a library for general use, sold, or replace a subscription currently purchased by an institution. I also agree that my on-line access to *The JI* will not be shared with others.

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For complete details on AAI member privileges and benefits, eligibility requirements, and application forms, please visit www.aai.org/membership or contact the AAI membership office at 301-634-7195 or by e-mail to members@aai.org.

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NEW for 2006!

Cynthia Chambers Memorial- eBioscience Junior Faculty Award

Deadline for 2006 Applications: January 16, 2006

DESCRIPTION

To honor the memory of Dr. Cynthia Chambers, the AAI, in partnership with eBioscience, Inc., established this award in 2005 to advance the careers of junior scientists who attend the AAI Annual Meeting to present immunology research, specifically in the area of cancer biology.

The recipient will receive a \$1,000 cash award. Selection is based on the submission of an original first-author abstract for presentation (oral or poster) at the forthcoming AAI Annual Meeting. Selection and notification of awardee will occur prior to the meeting. The awardee will be recognized and presented with a certificate during an awards ceremony at the Annual Meeting, and must attend the awards ceremony to receive the award.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, applicants must: (1) have received a doctoral degree within the past ten (10) years and/or be considered a junior faculty (assistant professor or equivalent); (2) be a regular AAI member in good standing; and (3) have submitted an original first-author abstract for presentation (oral or poster) at the forthcoming AAI Annual Meeting in the field of cancer-related immunology.

APPLICATION

A complete application package must be received by **Monday, January 16, 2006**. Please address all packages to:

M. Michele Hogan, Ph.D.
Executive Director
The American Association of Immunologists
9650 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, Maryland 20814

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please include the following in the application package (*please clearly designate "Cynthia Chambers Memorial-eBioscience Junior Faculty Award" in the cover letter*):

1. A letter that includes the following information --
 - Name
 - Title and affiliation
 - Current mailing address, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address
2. Applicant's CV, including current funding and past AAI awards
3. A copy of the abstract submitted to the forthcoming AAI Annual Meeting
4. A brief statement of applicant's research goals (not to exceed one page)

To view a complete listing of AAI Awards and past recipients, visit <http://www.aai.org/awards/default.htm>.

AAI 2006 TRAVEL & RELATED AWARDS

Application Deadline: January 16, 2006

Applications are now being accepted for the following 2006 AAI Awards:

- * *NEW!* Cynthia Chambers Memorial-eBioscience
Junior Faculty Award
- * AAI Junior Faculty Travel Award
- * Pfizer-Showell Travel Award
- * AAI Minority Scientist Travel Award
- * AAI-Huang Foundation Trainee
Achievement Award

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