



American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics Membership & Web Announcements

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ASPET ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Holidays from ASPET!

Please note that the **ASPET Announcements** will not be sent out during the first week of January 2013. ASPET's email newsletter will resume its regular production schedule in mid-January.

Science Policy News

[Legislative Update: December 15, 2012](#)

Just two weeks before the "fiscal cliff" hits on January 2, the research community continues to inform Members of Congress about the impact that across-the-board spending cuts would have on biomedical research. The Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research sent a letter co-signed by ASPET to all Members of Congress expressing concern about the impact of continued cuts to medical research. The letter urges Congress and the Administration to "work together on a solution that avoids sequestration and the devastating impact of across-the-board cuts."...

[Important Message from ASPET President John Lazo Regarding Sequestration and Spending Cuts](#)

Dr. Lazo urges you to contact your Members of Congress to tell them how sequestration would negatively affect funding to NIH, the ripple effect that it would have on medical research, and other related points that must be heard from the pharmacology community.

[Meet the 2013 ASPET Washington Fellows!](#)

The mission of the ASPET Washington Fellows Program is to enable developing and early career scientists interested in science policy to learn about and become more engaged in public policy issues. Fellows will develop an understanding of how public policy decisions made in Washington help shape and impact science policy, such as funding for the National Institutes of Health and other science agencies. Fellows will also learn how to advocate effectively on Capitol Hill and in their home districts.

ASPET Annual Meeting at EB 2013 News

*Saturday, April 20 - Wednesday, April 24
Boston, MA*

[Give a Day of Service to the Children of Boston at the ASPET Annual Meeting at EB 2013](#)

The Behavioral Pharmacology Division of ASPET is again sponsoring a volunteer opportunity at the ASPET Annual Meeting at EB 2013 in Boston. We will spend Friday, April 19, 2013, helping Cradles to Crayons provide children living in homeless or low-income situations in Boston with the essential items they need to thrive. Further details will follow to those who express an interest in volunteering. If you plan to join us, please contact Charles P. France at france@uthscsa.edu. Further contact information for Dr. France can be found at <http://www.aspet.org/EB2013/volunteer-activity/>.

[Don't Forget to Submit Late-Breaking Abstracts for the ASPET Annual Meeting at EB 2013](#)

The late-breaking abstract site is open. Late-breaking abstracts can be submitted until February 21, 2013. Click on the above link to go to the late-breaking abstract submission site.

[Other Upcoming Deadlines for the ASPET Annual Meeting at EB 2013](#)

Early Registration Deadline - February 22, 2013

Membership News

[ASPET Member Get-A-Member Program](#)



ASPET members, do you know someone who works in or studies pharmacology yet is not currently a member? Help ASPET stay strong by recruiting new members. By participating in the 2012 ASPET Member-Get-A-Member program, you will receive a free ASPET T-shirt, and be entered into a raffle to win a free EB Meeting Registration or an Apple iPad!

[2013 Membership Dues](#)

Pay your 2013 membership dues by December 31, 2012. Log into the [members-only portion](#) of the ASPET website to view your invoice and pay your dues. If you have forgotten your login name and/or password, please contact membership@aspet.org. Also, if you need a new copy of your invoice, please contact the membership department at the aforementioned email address.

Other News

[Challenges Faced by FDA Highlighted in Partnership for Public Service Report](#)

The Partnership for Public Service has released a report, "The State of the FDA Workforce," which highlights several budget related workforce and management challenges the FDA faces and how these challenges are impacting public health.

Deadline for Discounted Hotel Reservations - March 22, 2013
Childcare Registration Deadline - April 5, 2013

View the deadlines and more information on ASPET's Annual Meeting Web page by clicking on the above link.

[Check out the Program Listings for the ASPET Annual Meeting](#)

Take a look at the detailed descriptions of symposia and lectures that will be offered at the ASPET Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2013. Click [here](#) to register for the meeting. More details will be available soon.

[Register for the 4th GPCR Colloquium - a Satellite Meeting to EB 2013](#)



Speakers include 2012 Nobel Prize Winners in Chemistry, Robert J. Lefkowitz and Brian Kobilka. Abstracts should be submitted to Danielle Jordan at djordan@aspet.org, no later than February 25, 2013. For more information about the program and to register, please visit <http://www.aspet.org/Meetings/GPCR2013/>.

[Awards Information](#)

[Applications Being Accepted for Pharmacology Educators Travel Award](#)

The ASPET Division of Pharmacology Education is pleased to announce that applications for the 2013 Travel Awards for Pharmacology Educators are now being accepted. The primary goal of this travel award is to promote participation in an ASPET Meeting by pharmacology educators and to foster career development in pharmacology education. The application deadline is January 4, 2013.

ASPET News

[Read the December 2012 Issue of *The Pharmacologist*, Featuring 2012 Nobel Chemistry Laureates Kobilka and Lefkowitz](#)



The December 2012 issue of *The Pharmacologist* is available online. The issue features a write-up on ASPET members Brian Kobilka and Robert Lefkowitz, winners of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Chemistry; *myIDP*: An Interactive Career Planning Tool for Scientists; our 2012 year in review and contributors; election nominees; and more.

[Twelve ASPET Members Elected as AAAS Fellows](#)

In October 2012, the AAAS Council elected 701 members as AAAS Fellows,

[Center for American Progress Reports on 'The High Return on Investment for Publicly Funded Research'](#)

The Center for American Progress has issued a report, "The High Return on Investment for Publicly Funded Research." The report highlights a number of breakthrough innovations that were generated from the federal investment in research. The report concludes, "While we have seen huge and tangible results from our research investments in the past, we are not making the level of investments we need to cultivate innovation in the 21st century..."

[From IUPHAR: International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology's December issue of *Pharmacology International* is Available Online](#)

This issue of *Pharmacology International* describes the newly published article entitled "Clinical Pharmacology in Research, Teaching and Health Care." It addresses physician clinical pharmacologists and their roles in health care, teaching and research and represents a joint effort by IUPHAR, the World Health Organization, and the Council for International Organizations of Medical Sciences...

[Upcoming Grantsmanship Training Programs at Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA](#)

March 7, 2013: *Write Winning Grant Proposals*; for junior faculty
March 8, 2013: *Getting Started as a Successful Grant Writer*; for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and new assistant professors

The FASEB Office of MARC and Professional Development Programs is now accepting applications for these programs. FASEB MARC approval to attend these programs will be required. Registration will not be offered on-site. Applications for travel awards are due on Friday, February 1, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. EST.

[Lasker Foundation Accepting Nominations for 2013 Awards](#)

The Lasker Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2013 Lasker Awards, which will be

12 of whom are members of ASPET. These individuals will be recognized for their contributions to science and technology at the Fellows Forum to be held on February 16, 2013 during the AAAS Annual Meeting in Boston, MA. Congratulations to Patrick J. Casey, Peter Jeffrey Conn, Lakshmi A. Devi, Ronald B. Emeson, Bruce A. Freeman, Paul F. Hollenberg, Marilyn Emily Morris, William Plunkett, Alvaro Puga, Dan Mark Roden, David E. Smith, and Lynn Wecker.

[ASPET Postdoc Resources: From Academic Postdoc to Biotech Start-Up CEO](#)

Read the transcript of an interview with Ankit Agarwal, co-founder of Imbed Biosciences Inc., a privately held medical device company. Ankit's journey from academic postdoc to CEO of a start-up company and his raw experience as a young entrepreneur can serve as an inspiration to postdocs who are thinking about entrepreneurship. The interview was conducted by Uyen Chu, Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

[Applications for Membership in Academy of Pharmacology Educators Currently Being Accepted](#)

The purpose of the Academy of Pharmacology Educators is to provide a means to recognize individuals who have made exemplary contributions to pharmacology education in one or more of the following areas, student-teacher interaction, innovative contributions, scholarly endeavors, and/or professional development and service. Applications for membership in the Academy will be accepted through January 4, 2013.

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[This Holiday Season, Support Your Pharmacology Organization by Giving Back to ASPET!](#)

Tax-deductible donations to ASPET support research, publications, travel scholarships, science advocacy, and career development for scientists. Donating to ASPET is a great way to demonstrate your commitment to the future of the Society and pharmacology! We thank you for your support!

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offered in three categories: Basic Medical Research, Clinical Medical Research, and Public Service. The deadline for submission is February 1, 2013. To submit your nomination, please visit: www.laskerfoundation.org.

[Rita Allen Foundation and American Pain Society Announce 2013 Rita Allen Foundation Award in Pain](#)

The Rita Allen Foundation (RAF) and American Pain Society (APS) may award two grants in the amount of \$50,000 annually, for a period of up to three years to those research proposals demonstrating the greatest merit and potential for success. Eligible candidates will have completed their training and provided persuasive evidence of distinguished achievement or extraordinary promise in basic science research in pain. Candidates should be in the early stages of their career with an appointment at faculty level. The deadline for applications is January 17, 2013...