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Your Professional Home

for Multidisciplinary Pain Research
and Evidence-Based Treatment Resources



- > STAY CURRENT WITH THE LATEST PAIN RESEARCH, TOPICS, AND TRENDS.
- > EXPAND YOUR PROFESSIONAL CONNECTIONS.
- > ADVANCE AWARENESS OF AND FUNDING FOR PAIN RESEARCH.

**Discover the
professional value of
APS membership.**



APS members are transforming pain research into relief.

About APS

The American Pain Society (APS) is a multidisciplinary professional society that brings together a diverse group of scientists, clinicians, and other professionals to increase the knowledge of pain, and to transform public policy and clinical practice to reduce pain-related suffering. APS provides the most up-to-date, evidence-based research to its members and serves as a conduit for professional development and collaboration. The society strives to advance the treatment of people in pain by advocating for access to treatment, removing regulatory barriers, and educating practitioners and policymakers in all settings about advances and economics of safe and effective pain treatment.

Who are APS members?

APS members value being part of a multidisciplinary organization. Basic scientists, clinicians from all specialties and disciplines, educators, and students find value in exchanging knowledge and resources across disciplines, while working together to advance the mission of the society and transform evidence-based research into practice.

**Stay current and connected to the pain research community.
Join APS at www.americanpainsociety.org/join.**

Professional Collaboration and Unrivalled Resources

APS membership can help you

- increase your clinical proficiency efficacy with access to the latest information and research
- enhance your awareness and use of evidence-based treatment guidelines
- contribute to the body of knowledge in pain research
- learn about new and upcoming funding opportunities
- access the most comprehensive, evidence-based mix of pain science, research, and clinical resources
- expand your professional network and interact with the best and the brightest in pain research
- manage conversations about pain across disciplines
- contribute to the movement to relieve pain and the advancement of awareness and funding for pain research
- add to a strong, unified voice in advocacy around standards and quality of care
- access a forum to validate work and opinions
- be a part of a trusted, recognized, and credible organization working to improve treatment options for people living in pain
- explore and take advantage of opportunities for leadership roles and exposure for your work and research.

There are many important issues that must be addressed on behalf of the U.S. pain community, such as balancing the benefits and risks associated with pain medications, securing more funding for pain research, and enhancing access to evidence-based interdisciplinary pain care for patients in need. More APS members dedicated to advancing our mission translates to a larger voice to advocate for the pain community and people in pain. APS members encourage you to consider joining their exceptional organization.



APS members experience collaboration among pain care professionals from widely diverse disciplines and settings and gain access to unmatched resources for sharing best practices and the latest research.

Membership in APS provides you with the following:

Information and Publications

- A 1-year subscription to *The Journal of Pain (JOP)*, APS's monthly journal
- *JOP* member-author benefits, including free printing of color figures—a savings of up to \$1,000
- A prolific and highly regarded clinical practice guideline program
- A monthly member e-newsletter, highlighting current professional and society news and information, including notices of grant and funding opportunities
- A weekly e-subscription to *APS Smart-Brief*, delivering article summaries of the most important news stories on pain research, science, treatment, policy, and trends
- Peer-reviewed scientific and clinical publications
- A diverse array of special interest groups allowing members to exchange information and collaborate around specific and unique areas of interest
- Access to an online membership directory, facilitating connections and collaboration among members
- Periodic releases of position statements and white papers, addressing policies or significant clinical or research topics

Advocacy and Influence

- A voice in advocacy around standards and quality of care
- A robust public relations program designed to increase awareness of the importance of increased funding for pain research

Education and Professional Development

- Member registration discounts for the APS Annual Scientific Meeting, the only national CE/CME meeting in the United States for multiple disciplines whose emphasis is evidenced-based interdisciplinary pain advocacy, research, and care
- Periodic continuing education programs, examining pain from many perspectives

Funding Opportunities

APS offers several programs to support and fund early-career research projects, including

- APS Sharon S. Keller Chronic Pain Research Grant
- APS Future Leaders in Pain Research Grants Program
- Rita Allen Foundation Award in Pain.

Support for Young Investigators and Early-Career Professionals

- A scholarship program for residents, fellows, and allied health professionals with an interest in pursuing a career path in pain
- A robust and valued annual author-attended poster session, including mentored rounds
- An Early-Career Forum where those studying or embarking on a new career can collaborate, share research, and learn from mentors and leaders

For more information or to join APS, visit www.americanpainsociety.org/join.

What APS Members Are Saying

I am an APS member because...

I believe in being involved in translating research into practice.

APS provides a unique opportunity for science and healthcare delivery to come together.

I love meeting people who share my passion for treating pain!

I have a desire to keep abreast of evidence-based trends in the pain field.

APS has a great journal and holds the best pain conference for multidisciplinary pain professionals.

Pain is my passion.

I am interested in developing better solutions for pain.

It allows me to see in new ways and share my research.

I get rejuvenated about research and inspired by the cutting-edge ideas in medicine.

Academic connections, education, publications, and social connections—I always learn something new!

It helps me be a better healthcare provider.



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