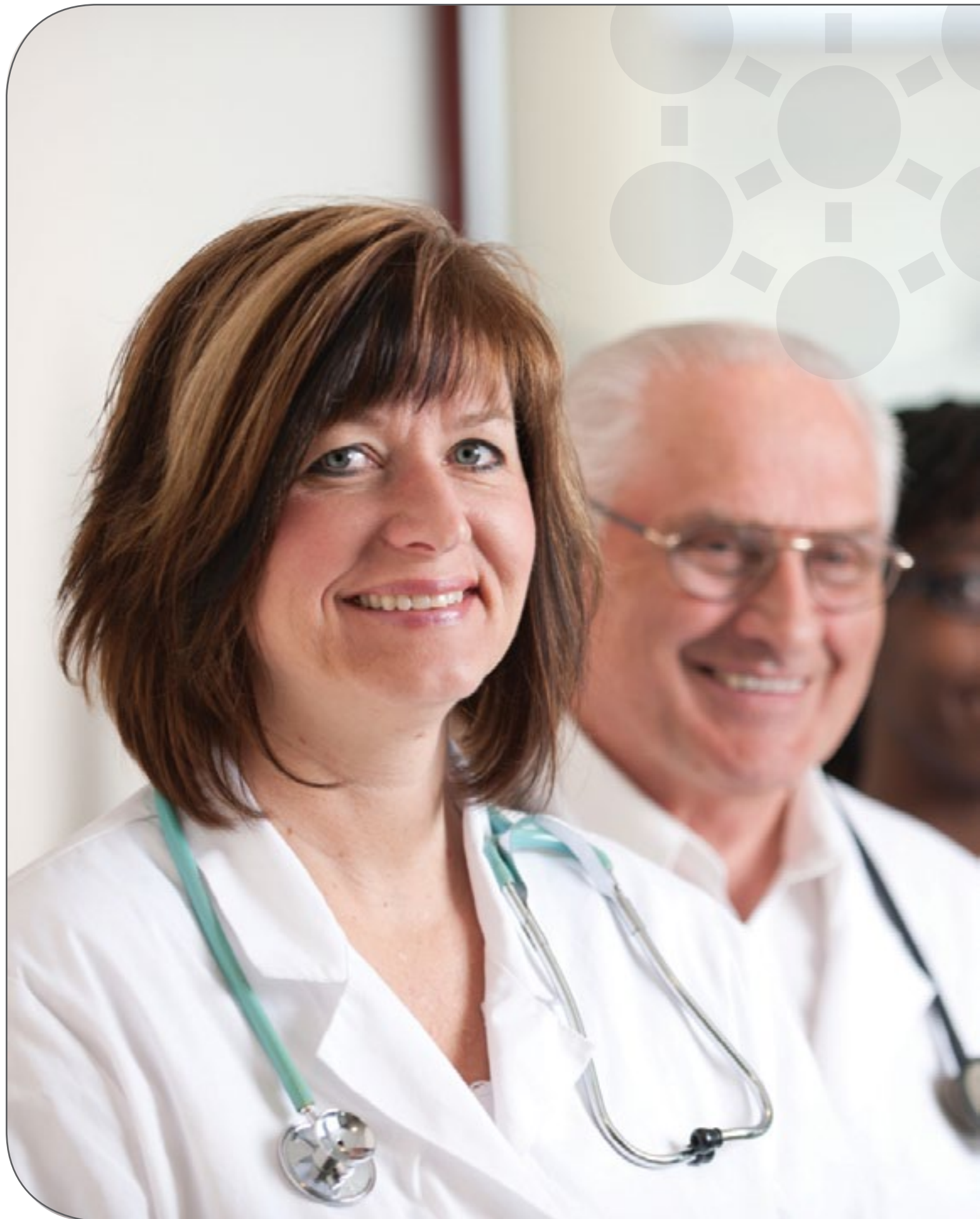




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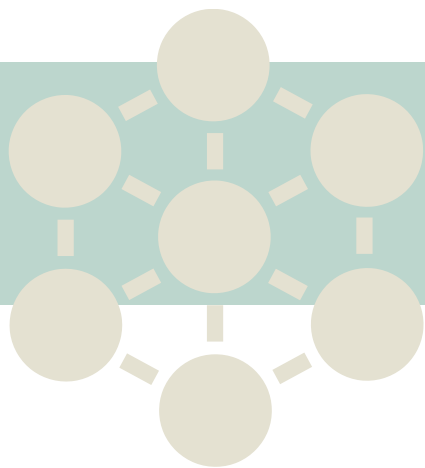
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APS: Advancing the Science and Treatment of Pain



Charles E. Inturrisi, PhD
APS President, 2008–2010

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Seddon R. Savage, MD, assumed the role of President in May 2010.

Research

At the core of APS's research agenda is increasing the National Institutes of Health's (NIH's) recognition of pain as a distinct and high-priority healthcare problem and one deserving funding for pain research. At the NIH, more than 17 institutes cover pain. APS participates in the Pain Consortium within the NIH to give a single voice to the issue of pain. Two significant achievements have been realized this year as a result of these efforts—the transition from acute to chronic pain is now part of the NIH Roadmap and the neural basis for chronic pain has been included as one of three NIH Blueprint for Neuroscience Research Challenges.

Another APS priority in the area of research is establishing APS as the most prominent and respected organization advocating for pain research in the United States. APS itself must be a model in funding research. To that end, we continued to fund the Future Leaders in Pain Research Grants program and the Young Investigator Travel Awards in 2009. We also continued our successful collaboration with the Rita Allen Foundation, which allowed us to again award the Scholars in Pain Program. Over the next 3 years, the program will award up to \$900,000 to six recipients. This program is a model for the collaboration between a foundation and a society that share common goals. We hope this will be the first of many such collaborations for APS.

Education

APS's main educational objective is that clinicians, providers, and payers view APS as the primary educational source for the acquisition and dissemination of the latest scientific information on pain and its treatment. Each year, APS holds a scientific meeting where the best and the brightest in pain research and treatment gather to learn, network, and share information that advances the science of pain and positively affects patient outcomes. In 2010 we continued some of the recent successful additions to the meeting, such as the Data Blitz and other interactive workshops, and added a special interactive CE booth in the exhibit hall, The Pain Paradox: Providing Effective Relief While Mitigating Risk.

This year APS also initiated a new educational offering through a partnership with the California Academy of Family Physicians (CAFP). The Strategies in Pain Management course, geared toward primary care practitioners, offers strategies to evaluate the quality of pain care in a primary care practice setting, the opportunity to create a plan for change, and the tools necessary to positively impact care.

Finally, the 2-day Fundamentals of Pain Management: A Primer for Residents and Fellows continued to be a huge success in its ninth year. There were 100 attendees at the course, representing anesthesiology, neurology, physical and rehabilitation medicine, family medicine, emergency medicine, and several allied health providers.

Treatment

APS believes that prevention and treatment of pain will be improved by applying APS standards for cost-effective, interdisciplinary, evidence-based care. To that end, APS developed the Clinical Centers of Excellence in Pain Management Awards Program (CCOE) in 2007 to recognize multidisciplinary pain management programs of the highest quality in the United States that serve as models of the highest quality care. Because CCOE award criteria in the past included an emphasis on research, past awardees have tended to be university-based programs with strong research and educational programs. This year, the APS Board of Directors modified the award criteria to recognize that outstanding pain management programs also exist in the community, and that innovation in medicine and pain care often emanates from beyond academic centers.

To that end, two categories for CCOE program were introduced—a university-based track that includes our traditional focus on research and education; and a community-based track that deemphasizes research while placing continued emphasis on state-of-the-art clinical care and innovation. The goal of the CCOE Awards Program remains unchanged: to advance the quality of pain management in the United States by recognizing and rewarding excellence in quality clinical care.

Since 1997 the APS clinical practice guidelines program has had an impact on the quality of pain care. It is a comprehensive, multidisciplinary, ongoing effort to develop guidelines and ensure their dissemination and implementation. Throughout 2009–2010 the Clinical Guidelines Committee has been actively preparing two new guidelines, Post-Operative Pain Management and Methadone Safety, that are expected to be published in Spring 2011.



Advocacy

APS envisions a world where pain prevention and relief are available to all people. APS actively advocates so patients will have improved access to effective pain prevention and interdisciplinary pain management.

During 2009–2010, the Pain Care Coalition (PCC), which comprises APS, the American Academy of Pain Medicine, the American Headache Society, and the American Society of Anesthesiology, advocated strongly for the recognition of pain as a public health issue. As a result of persistent work on the part of PCC and others, major provisions of the National Pain Care Policy Act were included in the national healthcare reform act, which went into law in 2010. This significant achievement is expected to have a broad impact on the recognition of pain as a healthcare program and will build on the momentum already achieved through adoption of the Military Pain Care Act into law.

APS has also been actively communicating with and providing feedback to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regarding its Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) for opioids. APS endorsed the FDA's recent guidelines for medication disposal, which encourage consumers to remove unused pain drugs from home medicine cabinets. In addition, APS has actively participated in the activities of the new NIH-FDA joint leadership council, which seeks input from the leaders of professional scientific organizations to define the most important needs in the area of regulatory science.

In June 2010 the FDA proposed a REMS for long-acting and controlled-release opioids in response to a Congressional request that the FDA address rising morbidity and mortality associated with prescription opioid misuse.

APS policies related to nonmedical use of prescription opioids and opioid REMS support

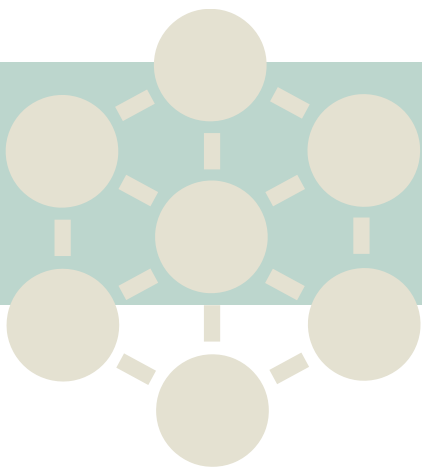
- a class-wide REMS that covers all opioids.
- more intensive education in pain and addiction medicine in core healthcare professional training with routine assessment of opioid-prescribing competence on professional board examinations.
- demonstration of requisite knowledge for competent prescribing of controlled substances, assessed and documented by an appropriate professional organization (or organizations), as a prerequisite to obtaining or renewing DEA registration.
- a public awareness campaign that targets awareness of
 - the benefits of opioids when used properly
 - the harmful and lethal potential of opioids when misused
 - appropriate storage of opioids in locked containers
 - information on safe disposal of opioids.
- expansion and improvement of prescription monitoring programs to
 - include all 50 states
 - ensure seamless interoperability between states
 - provide real-time access to information for prescribing clinicians and pharmacists.

- the implementation of take-back and buy-back programs aimed at facilitating removal of no longer-needed prescription opioids.
- outcomes monitoring of all REMS and other interventions intended to reduce nonmedical use of prescription drug to ensure that goals are met and negative unintended consequences are identified and eliminated.
- expanded NIH, Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Defense, and other governmental agency support for research on effectiveness, side effects, benefits, and complications of opioid therapy.

Publications

The Journal of Pain (JOP) continues to provide innovative, important research for APS members and nonmembers in the field of pain. *JOP* saw a change in editorship on January 1, 2010, as founding editor Jerry Gebhart, PhD, stepped down and Mark Jensen, PhD, became the new Editor-in-Chief. Submissions to the journal continue to increase steadily.

APS E-News disseminates monthly news announcements from both APS and other sources. It includes important announcements about APS programs, legislative and regulatory updates, the annual meeting, timely pain-specific information, and links to pain-related news, funding opportunities, and more. APS E-News also includes direct links to online social media tools, including LinkedIn, Twitter, and Facebook, where members can network and interact in real-time—an increasingly important way that members interact.



Research

Future Leaders in Pain Research Grants Program

The 2009 Future Leaders in Pain Research Grants Program offered funding for four researchers in the amount of \$20,000. To be eligible, grant applicants must be APS members who are within 6 years of completion of their terminal degree and have not yet been awarded major NIH or foundation grant funding. There were 12 competitive applications for funding this year. Members of the APS Small Grants Committee reviewed and scored the applications in preparation for selection of grant recipients. APS is proud to announce the following 2009 grant recipients.

Recipients

Michelle Fortier, PhD

University of California–Irvine
Orange, CA
The Forgotten Patient: The Child with Cancer in Pain

Durga P. Mohapatra, PhD MSc

University of Iowa
Carver College of Medicine
Iowa City, IA
Modulation of TRPV1 by Cytokines and Natriuretic Peptides Released from Ischemic Heart

Lynnae Schwartz, MD

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Research Institute
Philadelphia, PA
Enteric Astrogliosis and Neurokinin-1 Receptor Activation in the Persistent Abdominal Pain of Pediatric AIDS

Laura E. Simons, PhD

Children's Hospital Boston
Mayo Family Pediatric Pain
Rehabilitation Center at Children's
Hospital Boston at Waltham
Waltham, MA
Pain-Related Fears in Children and Adolescents with Chronic Pain and Their Parents: Mechanism of Change and Implications for Treatment

Young Investigator Travel Award

APS was pleased to grant Young Investigator Travel Awards to 36 trainees to attend the 2010 annual meeting. These individuals presented their research during designated paper and poster sessions.

The APS meeting creates a milieu in which scientists and clinicians can share relevant information from their differing perspectives, frequently leading to advances in clinical care. The APS Young Investigator Travel Award program is made possible through an allocation of APS operating funds.

Recipients

Erica Adams, PhD

James A. Haley Veterans Hospital

Emily Bartley, MS

University of Tulsa

Yan Chen, MS

University of Illinois at Chicago

Sungkun Cho

University of Hawaii at Manoa

Melissa Day, MA

University of Alabama

Jennifer DelVentura

University of Tulsa

Eric Ewan

Wake Forest University
Baptist Medical Center

Gonzalo Flores, LAc MAc OM

Oregon College of Oriental Medicine

Stacy Flowers, PsyD

Cincinnati Children's Hospital
Medical Center

Elizabeth Gauthier

University of Michigan

Burel Goodin, MA

University of Maryland,
Baltimore County

Ying He

University of Illinois at Chicago

Adam Hirsh, PhD

University of Washington

Lindsay Kindler, PhD

University of Florida

Christopher King, PhD

University of Florida
College of Dentistry

Anna Kratz, PhD

University of Washington

Julia Lassegard, MS RN CRNA

University of California, Los Angeles

Satin Martin

University of Tulsa

Katherine Martucci

Wake Forest University
Baptist Medical Center

Vani Mathur, MS

Northwestern University

Wen-Li Mi

Shanghai Medical College
Fudan University

Md. Ariful Haque Mollik

Pallabi, Mirpur Dhaka

Noorulain Noor

Stanford University

Suzan Parhizgar, PhD

Texas Tech University
Health Sciences Center

Wenchun Qu, MD PhD

Mayo Clinic

David Seminowicz, PhD

McGill University

Kimberly Sibille, PhD

University of Florida

Lauren Stutts, MS

University of Florida

Ellen Terry

University of Tulsa

Patricia Tsui, PhD

Columbia University Medical Center

Hoameng Ung

Stanford University

Ashley Vincent

University of Tulsa

Charlie Wang

Stanford University

Cheng Yang, MS

University of Illinois at Chicago

Marium Zafar, PsyD

Cincinnati Children's Hospital
Medical Center

Jin Zhang, PhD

University of Southern Nevada



APS and the Rita Allen Foundation Scholars in Pain

APS joined the Rita Allen Foundation (RAF) in announcing recipients of the organizations' collaborative Scholars in Pain program. This is the second year APS and RAF have worked together in promoting the scholarship, judging applications, and selecting recipients.

Recipients

Diana Bautista, PhD

Cell and Developmental Biology Assistant Professor, University of California Berkeley, for her project, "Molecular Mechanisms of Somatosensory Mechanotransduction"

Seena Ajit, PhD

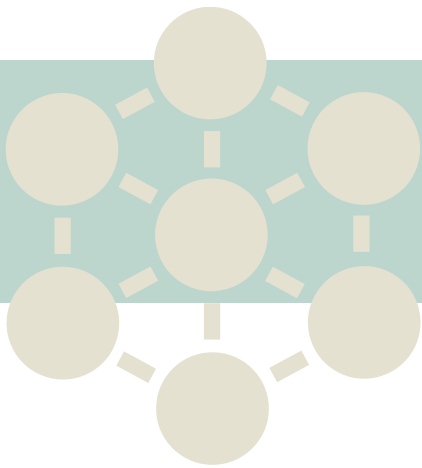
Assistant Professor, Drexel University College of Medicine, for her project, "MicroRNA Regulation and Its Utility as Biomarkers in Neuropathic Pain."

Candidates for the Rita Allen Award in Pain have completed their training and provided persuasive evidence of distinguished achievement or extraordinary promise in basic science research in pain. Preferred candidates are in the early stages of their careers of appointment at a fully independent faculty level.

The Rita Allen Foundation was established in 1953 and sponsors a Scholars Program that has supported more than 90 scholars over the last 30 years, many of whom have made important advances in medical research.

Over 3 years, APS and the Rita Allen Foundation will award as much as \$900,000 to six recipients. This awards program is a model for the collaboration between a foundation and a society that share common goals. We hope this will be the first of many collaborations to come.

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Education

APS Annual Scientific Meeting

APS holds an annual scientific meeting during which the best and the brightest in pain research and treatment gather to learn, network, and share information that advances the science of pain and positively affects patient outcomes. The meeting offers attendees continuing education credits in medicine, nursing, psychology, and pharmacy. Symposia held at the annual meeting feature the most comprehensive mix of science, research, and clinical applications to achieve professional growth.

The APS 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting held in Baltimore was attended by more than 1,200 pain professionals from across the country and around the world. Attendees had a plethora of educational choices. They had the opportunity to hear from Clifford Woolf, MD PhD, on the genetics of pain, Francis Keefe, PhD, on the state of pain science, and many others. Poster presentations and the Data Blitz offered snapshots of the latest research data. A special CME booth, the Pain Paradox, offered a simulation on the complexities of risk mitigation. There were also a number of corporate satellite symposia that offered valuable content.

The APS Scientific Program Committee, chaired by Robert Jamison, PhD, created an appealing program for attendees from a wide variety of disciplines. More than 130 distinguished faculty members shared their expertise and research findings. Attendees represented a variety of disciplines. Medical specialties represented included anesthesiology, neurology, physical medicine, internal medicine, family practice, pediatrics, and others. Additional professional disciplines represented included psychology, pharmacy, nursing, basic science, behavioral science, and others in which clinicians, researchers, educators, consultants, and administrators work.

APS is committed to ongoing educational innovations at this meeting. The annual meeting is an excellent way to stay current and tap into the multidisciplinary resources APS has to offer.

New Partnership with CAFP Offers Strategies in Pain Management

This year, for the first time, APS, and the California Academy of Family Physicians (CAFP) offered a new course, Strategies in Pain Management, geared toward primary care practitioners. The course offered practitioners strategies to adequately evaluate the quality of pain care in a primary care practice setting, the opportunity to create a plan for change, and the tools necessary to positively impact care.

2010 Annual Award Winners

John and Emma Bonica Public Service Award

Robert Kerns, PhD

Wilbert E. Fordyce Clinical Investigator Award

Dennis Turk, PhD

Frederick W. L. Kerr Basic Science Research Award

Timothy J. Brennan, MD PhD

Jeffrey Lawson Award for Advocacy in Children's Pain Relief

Maria Fitzgerald, PhD BA FMedSci

John C. Liebeskind Early Career Scholar Award

Andrea G. Nackley, PhD

Elizabeth Narcessian Award for Outstanding Educational Achievements

Gary J. Bennett, PhD

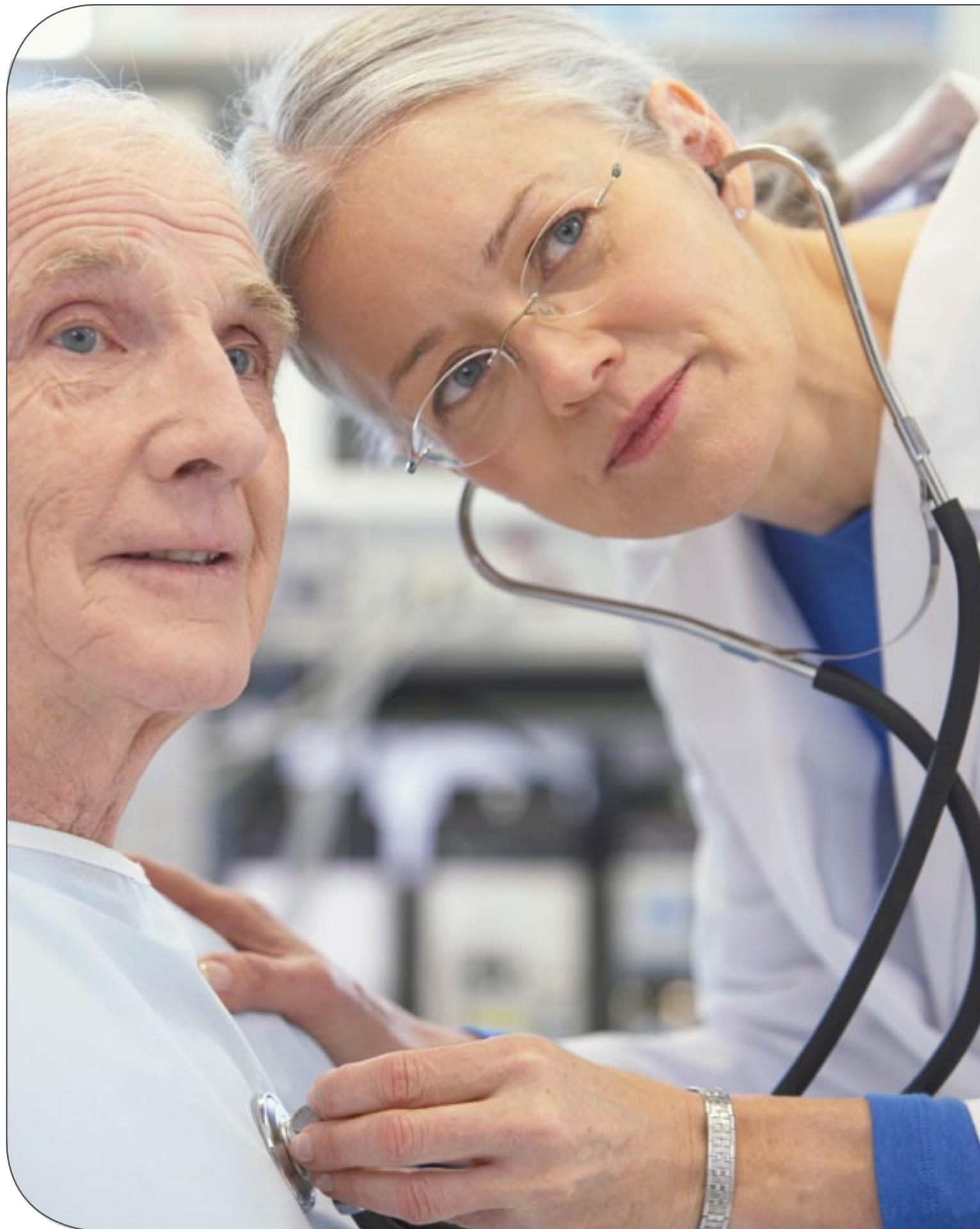
Distinguished Service Award

Richard Rosenquist, MD

Kathleen M. Foley Journalist Award

January W. Payne





The Journal of Pain

APS publishes *The Journal of Pain (JOP)*, a peer-reviewed, monthly scientific journal that focuses on issues related to pain, including clinical and basic research, patient care, education, and health policy. The journal's distinguished editorial board reflects the broad and interdisciplinary nature of the field. The journal provides a forum for researchers, basic scientists, clinicians, and others to publish original research and explore controversies. The translation of current research into pain management strategies and the need for further investigation are highlighted.

JOP saw a change in editorship on January 1, 2010, as founding editor Jerry Gebhart, PhD, stepped down and Mark Jensen, PhD, became the new Editor-in-Chief. Submissions to the journal continue to increase steadily. During 2009, submissions grew by 25% compared with 2008. *JOP* also continues to attract strong international interest: 57% of papers originated from other countries in 2009. While submissions increase, so does the journal's rejection rate. That figure was 72% for 2009 and looks to be increasing in 2010. The journal's current impact factor for 2009 is 3.778, which is an increase from 2008.



Mark Jensen, PhD

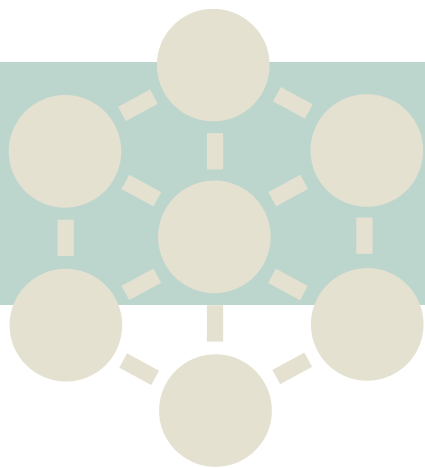


Jerry Gebhart, PhD

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In addition to providing news and links to important information, *APS E-News* also includes direct links to online social media tools including LinkedIn, Twitter, and Facebook, where members can network and interact in real-time. A goal of *APS E-News* is to become even more interactive.



Treatment

Clinical Centers of Excellence in Pain Management Awards Program

The APS Clinical Centers of Excellence in Pain Management Awards Program (CCOE) was established in 2007 to recognize multidisciplinary pain management programs of the highest quality in the United States. Over the past 4 years, the CCOE program recognized 23 programs that serve as exemplars of excellence in pain management, awarded honorable mentions to 22 programs, and conferred a special commendation to the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center to recognize their innovative care for those injured in combat.

Because existing CCOE award criteria include an emphasis on research, past CCOE awardees have tended to be university-based programs with strong research and education programs. The APS Board of Directors recognizes that outstanding pain management programs also exist in the community, and that innovation in medicine and pain care often emanates from beyond academic centers.

Academic and community-based programs may have different priorities, resources, and structural components. For this reason, the APS Board of Directors directed a subcommittee of the CCOE program to develop two categories for the CCOE awards starting in 2010: a university-based track, which includes our traditional focus on research and education; and a community-based track, which deemphasizes research while placing continued emphasis on state-of-the-art clinical care and innovation.

The goal of the CCOE Awards Program remains unchanged—to advance the quality of pain management in the United States by recognizing and rewarding excellence in quality clinical care. Through recognition of multidisciplinary pain management programs that deliver clinical care of the highest order, APS will identify exemplars of superior care whose experiences can guide all of us.

2010 CCOE Award Recipients

APS is extremely proud to recognize its 2010 CCOE award recipients. These recipients exemplify the many multidisciplinary clinical programs throughout the United States.

University of Washington Division of Pain Medicine
Seattle, WA
University-based program

Children's Hospital Boston Pain Treatment Service
Harvard Medical School
Boston, MA
University-based program

University of California, San Diego Center for Pain Medicine
La Jolla, CA
University-based program

University of California, Davis Center for Pain Medicine
Sacramento, CA
University-based program

Michigan Head Pain and Neurological Institute
Ann Arbor, MI
Community-based program

Integrative Pain Center of Arizona
Tucson, AZ
Community-based program

Evidence-Based Guidelines

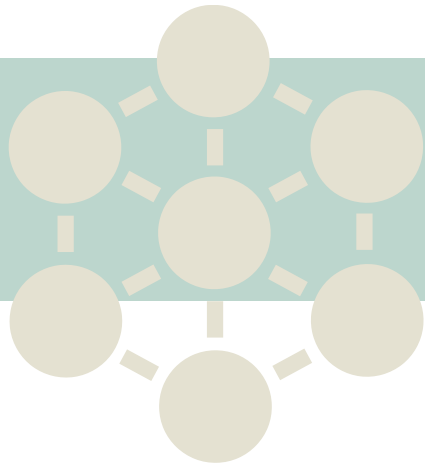
APS has published evidence-based clinical practice guidelines since 1997. The program is a comprehensive, multidisciplinary, ongoing effort to develop guidelines and ensure their dissemination and implementation. It adheres to state-of-the-art scientific principles of guideline development and evaluation.

To guide this program, APS has established a Clinical Practice Guidelines Committee, chaired by Christine Miaskowski, PhD RN FAAN. The committee identifies topics for guideline development, oversees and ensures the validity of the guideline development process, and advises on dissemination issues.

The guidelines program is led by Roger Chou, MD, of the Oregon Health and Science University's Evidence-Based Practice Center. Dr. Chou and his staff work with multidisciplinary expert panels to define guideline scope and key questions, develop evidence reviews, develop recommendations, conduct peer review, and finalize guideline recommendations for publication.

APS strives for wide dissemination of its guidelines in the hope that they will have an impact on patient treatment. The 2009 "Clinical Guidelines for the Use of Chronic Opioid Therapy in Chronic Noncancer Pain" was the most widely requested article in the journal's history. Since February 2009 (through May 2010) more than 42,000 requests for the guidelines were made. In addition 90,000 reprints of the guidelines were purchased.

Throughout 2009–2010 the guidelines committee has been actively preparing two new documents, "Management of Post-Operative Pain," a partnership between APS, the American Society of Anesthesiologists, and the VA/DoD and "Methadone Safety," a partnership between APS and the College for Problems in Drug Dependence. Both guidelines are expected to be published in Spring 2011.



Advocacy

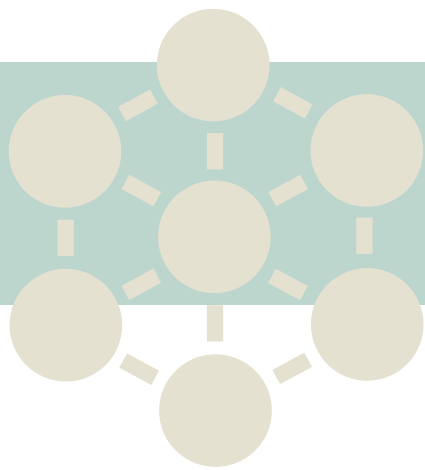
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APS has also had an active voice, consistently providing feedback to the FDA regarding its Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) for opioids. The Public Policy Committee developed recommendations for the FDA and continues to participate in all FDA discussions for long-acting opioids. According to APS President 2008–2010 Charles Inturrisi, “The FDA has been very receptive to concerns raised by the pain care community, and we hope the comments they receive from our organization and others will be considered and applied in the final REMS decision.”

APS endorsed the FDA’s recent guidelines for medication disposal, calling it “an important first step in attempting to reverse an escalating public health menace caused by diversion of prescription opioid pain medications.” The FDA initiative encourages consumers to remove unused pain drugs from home medicine cabinets.

In 2010 the NIH and FDA announced the establishment of an NIH-FDA joint leadership council and the NIH Common Fund to “advance the development of new products for the treatment, diagnosis, and prevention of common and rare diseases and enhance the safety, quality, and efficiency of the clinical research and medical product approval enterprise.” One of the goals of the leadership council is to reach out to leaders of professional scientific organizations to work with the NIH and FDA to define the most important needs in the area of regulatory science. APS was involved in the first joint meeting of this type and will continue its involvement in this area.





About APS

About

APS was the first national society to dedicate itself solely to the science of pain and is the only such organization to establish a multidisciplinary, evidence-based approach to both research and clinical treatment. Founded in 1977, APS is a professional membership organization and a national chapter of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP).

Mission

APS is a multidisciplinary community that brings together a diverse group of scientists, clinicians, and other professionals to increase the knowledge of pain and transform public policy and clinical practice in order to reduce pain-related suffering.

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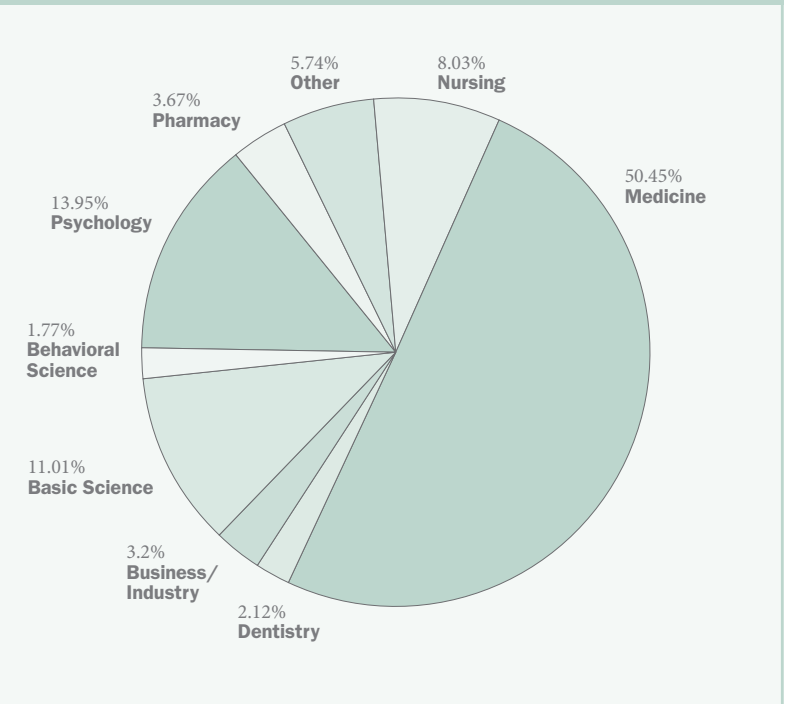
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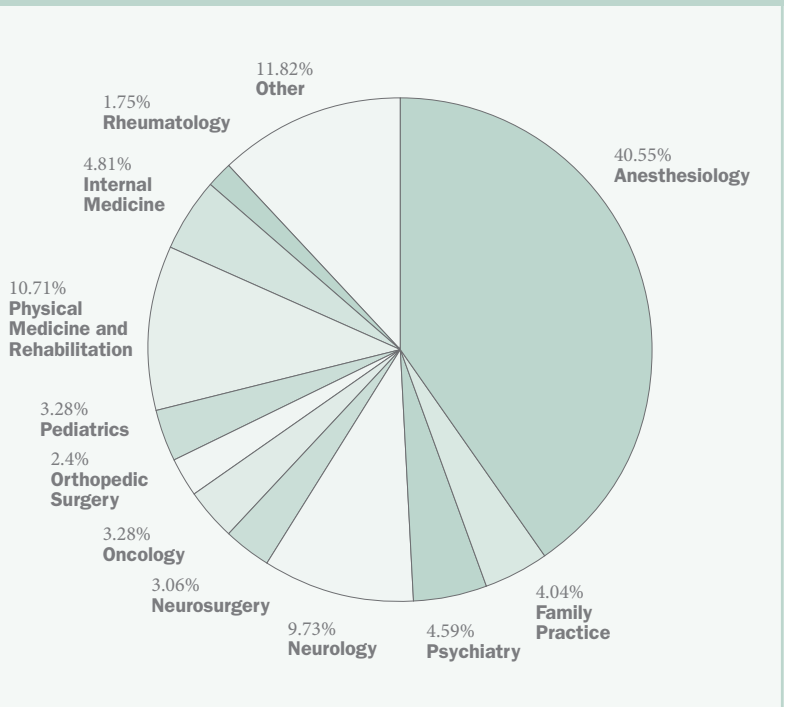
Membership Information

The more than 2,500 APS members include health professionals (e.g., physicians, psychologists, nurses, physical therapists, pharmacists), basic scientists, policy makers, lawyers, and others who have an interest in the study and treatment of pain. Membership categories include regular, affiliate, student/trainee, and corporate members.

Members by Discipline



Physician Members by Medical Specialty





Special Interest Groups

APS hosts a growing number of special interest groups (SIGs). SIGs encourage members from all disciplines to gather, study, and exchange views on areas of common interest. Many SIGs meet at the annual meeting. Participation is open to all members. The current SIGs represent the varied interests of the society's members.

Basic Science

Clinical Trials

Ethics

Genetics and Pain

Geriatric Pain

Measurement of Pain and Its Impact

Nursing Issues

Pain and Disparities

Pain Education

Pain in Infants, Children, and Adolescents

Pain Rehabilitation

Palliative Care

Pharmacotherapy

Psychosocial Research

Regional Sections

APS has six regional sections affiliated by membership and bylaws with the national organization. Regional sections offer members in most areas of the United States the option to participate in local or regional activities organized by these groups. Regional sections offer continuing education and networking opportunities, and many sections offer a regional newsletter and website. Membership in an APS regional section is separate from national membership, and dues are charged by individual regional affiliates.

Regional Sections

Eastern Pain Association

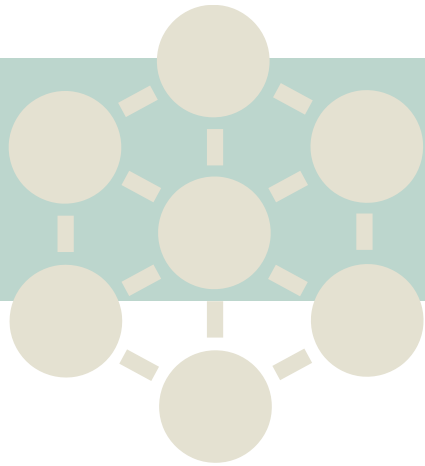
Greater Philadelphia Pain Society

Midwest Pain Society

Southern Pain Society

Western Pain Society

Together, we're
transforming research
into relief.



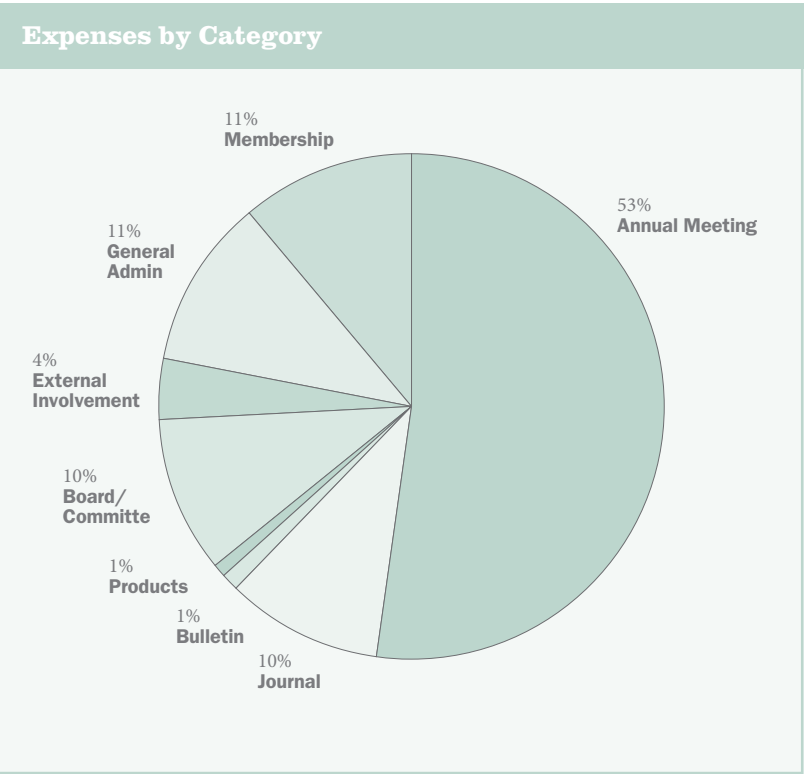
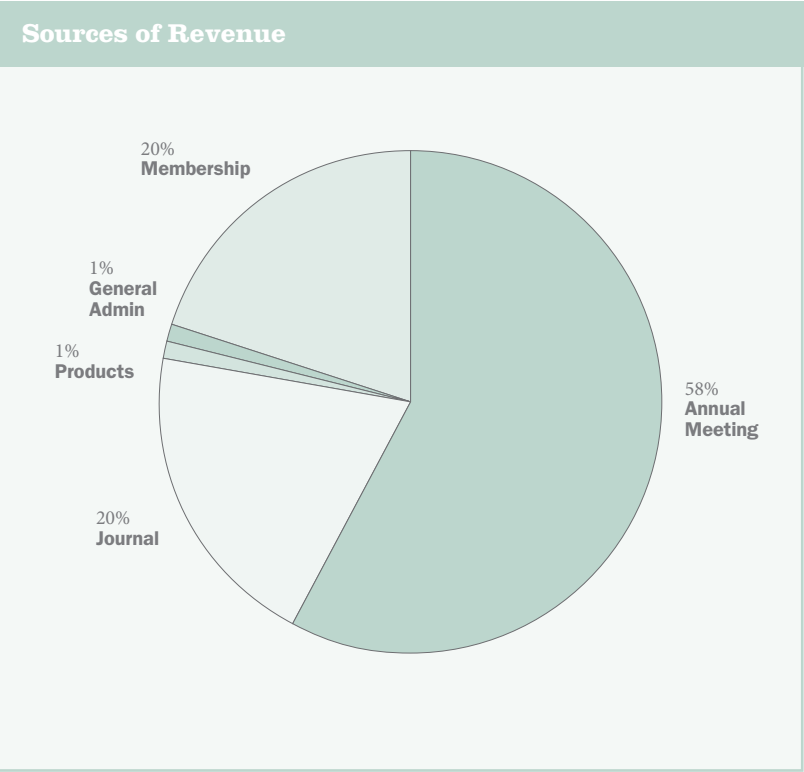
2009 Audited Financial Statements

Income Statement	
Revenue	\$3,733,870
Expenses	\$3,761,971
Net Income from Operations	\$(28,101)

Assets	
Cash, investments, and accounts receivable	\$2,503,690
Other	\$614,001
Total Assets	\$3,117,691

Liabilities	
Accounts payable/accrued expenses	\$327,532
Deferred dues	\$239,512
Deferred liabilities	\$1,443,901
Total Liabilities	\$2,010,945

Reserves	
Reserve fund/unrestricted	\$2,009,637
Reserve fund/BOD designated	\$290,524
Reserve fund/restricted	\$(958,872)
Total Fund Balance	\$1,134,289



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