



**Association of Pathology Chairs
2006 Annual Meeting
APC/PRODS/PDAS/CDS**

**Cheyenne Mountain Resort
Colorado Springs, Colorado
July 12-15, 2006**

The Business and Practice of Pathology

Keynote Address:

Medical Challenges in Space: The Ultimate Outreach

Jack W. Smith, MD, PhD

University of Texas, School of Health Information
Sciences at Houston

Distinguished Service Award Recipients:

Richard G. Lynch, MD

University of Iowa

Emanuel Rubin, MD

Thomas Jefferson University,
Jefferson Medical College

Early (Reduced) Registration Deadline: June 12, 2006

Housing Reservations Deadline: June 11, 2006

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Cheyenne Mountain Resort
3225 Broadmoor Valley Road
Colorado Springs, CO 80906
July 12-15, 2006

Wednesday, July 12, 2006

7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Registration

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast for PDAS Participants

PDAS Program:

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**PDAS Plenary: Healthy, Wealthy, and Wise
Break**

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

PDAS Plenary (Continued)

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

PDAS Lunch

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

PDAS: Billing Tutorial

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Harry Pukay-Martin

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

PDAS: Billing Tutorial (Continued)

Harry Pukay-Martin

PRODS Program:

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

PRODS Council Breakfast Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.

PRODS Committee Meetings

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

PRODS Educational Meeting:

1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Intro/Updates to ACGME/Pathology RRC

Steven P. Nestler, PhD and Margaret M. Grimes, MD

2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Intro/Updates to American Board of Pathology

Betsy D. Bennett, MD, PhD

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

NRMP Updates

Mona M. Signer, MPH

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

ACLPS: Recommendations for CP Curricula

Bruce Alexander, MD

APC/PDAS/PRODS/CDS Program:

5:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception

6:20 p.m.

Welcome, Moment of Silence

David Wilkinson, MD, PhD, APC President

**Keynote Event: *Medical Challenges in Space: The Ultimate
Outreach* - Jack W. Smith, MD, PhD**

7:00 p.m.

Dinner

8:30 p.m.

Presentation of Distinguished Service Awards

Presented by David Wilkinson, MD, PhD, APC President

Thursday, July 13, 2006

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Workshop Leader Orientation <i>Robert Hunter, MD, PhD, Chair, APC P&M Committee and Harry Pukay-Martin, Chair, PDAS</i>
9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Exhibits
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Poster Display of Thursday Workshop Results

APC/PDAS/PRODS Program:

Plenary Session 1 – Burning Issues in Clinical Practice

8:00 a.m. – 8:10 a.m.	Call to Order <i>David Wilkinson, MD, PhD, President, APC</i>
8:10 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Overview, Definitions, and Survey Results <i>Robert Hunter, MD, PhD, Chair, APC P&M Committee</i>
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Documenting and Selling the Value of Your Effort <i>David Wilkinson, MD, PhD, President, APC</i>
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Professional Component Billing
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Deriving Optimal Clinical Revenues for Your Department <i>J. Charles Jennette, MD</i>
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch for participants
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	New Chairs Luncheon with APC Council (by invitation)
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Workshops
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	APC Committee Meetings: Graduate Medical Education Committee, Practice and Management Committee, Research Committee, Undergraduate Medical Education Committee

CDS Program:

Technology in Pathology Education, Peter Anderson, DVM, PhD, Moderator

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	Call to Order <i>Carole Pillinger, MD, Chair, CDS</i>
8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	MedEdPortal of the AAMC <i>Delila Ryan</i>
9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Computerized Testing in Pathology Education <i>Peter Anderson, DVM, PhD</i>
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Portable Multimedia Devices in Pathology Education <i>John Woosley, MD and Howard Reisner, PhD</i>
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Photoshop Workshop <i>Paul Strausbauch, MD</i>
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	CDS Lunch and Business Meeting

Novel Resources and Survey Reports from the National Board of Medical Examiners, Carole Pillinger, MD, Moderator, Aggie Butler, PhD, NBME and David Swanson, PhD, NBME

1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	Customized Assessment Services with Flexible Blueprinting
2:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	The LLU Experience with the NBME Customized Subject Examination <i>Jeff Cao, MD</i>
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Grading Guidelines for Use of the Pathology Subject Examination (Results from the Web-based Conferences) Review and Discussion of the Current Pathology Subject Examinations
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Optional: NBME Item Writing Workshop <i>David Swanson, PhD, NBME</i>

Friday, July 14, 2006

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibits and Poster Display of Thursday Workshop Results

APC/PDAS/PRODS Program:

Plenary Session 2 – The Business of Research

8:00 a.m. - 8:10 a.m.

Opening Comments

Jonathan Braun, MD, PhD

8:10 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Novel Strategies for Research Revenue

9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

The Pathology Business of Big Science

Richard Larson, MD, PhD

9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Capitalizing Pathology Research

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.

Research Compliance, Compensation, and Incentivization

CDS Program:

Issues in Learning Assessment, Chuck Hitchcock, MD, PhD, Moderator

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Novel Examination Construction and Analysis

Carolyn Cambor, MD

8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Integrated Testing

Sydney Murphree, MD

Factors Affecting Pathology Education

9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

External Forces Affecting Pathology Education

Chuck Hitchcock, MD, PhD

9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Insights into Medical School Curricula

Kusum Kumar, MD

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Variations on the Team-Based Learning Theme

Carole Pillinger, MD, Sidney Murphree MD

and Jeff Cao, MD

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Learning Problems and Solutions for Medical Students

Shivayogi Bhusnurmath, MD

APC/PDAS/PRODS/CDS Program:

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

APC Lunch and Business Meeting

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

PDAS Lunch and Educational Meeting

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

PRODS Lunch and Educational Meeting

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

CDS Lunch

PRODS Program:

1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

PRODS as Pathology Program Consultants and Reviewers

Robert D. Hoffman, MD, PhD

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Addressing ACLPS Recommendations: Panel Discussion of

Best Practices to Strengthen Clinical Pathology Curriculum

Larry Fowler, MD, Stephen Black-Schaffer, MD, David Lewin,

MD, David S, Wilkinson, MD, PhD, Bruce Alexander, MD

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Reports from Pathology Organizations

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5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

APCREG Reception and Showcase

Alain C. Borczuk, MD, Columbia University Medical Center,

and Patricia S. Latham, MD, The George Washington University

Saturday, July 15, 2006

6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast (note earlier time)**

APC/PDAS/PRODS/CDS Program:

Plenary Session 3 – Governance and Management of Pathology

Academic Pathology: From the Outside Looking In

7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m. **Welcome**
David Wilkinson, MD, PhD, President, APC

7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **National Advocacy**
W. Stephen Black-Schaffer, MD

8:45 a.m. – 9:05 a.m. **National Contracts**
Philip Chen, MD, PhD

9:05 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Government Affairs for Academic Pathologists**
Tom Wheeler, MD

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Break**

The Academic Pathology Department: Putting It Together

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **A Separate Tale: Rebuilding Pathology after Katrina**
Fred Rodriguez, MD

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Three Inspiring Tales: Managing the Pie Chart**
David Wilkinson, MD, PhD, Moderator

11:30 a.m. **Adjourn**

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12:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **APC Council with Invited Liaisons**

REGISTRATION FORM
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First Name _____ Last Name _____ (to be printed on badge)

Institution _____ Department _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Country _____ Zip or Mail Code _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

SPOUSE/GUEST ATTENDANCE (if applicable – please provide name only if you are paying for a guest catering fee)

First Name _____ Last Name _____ (to be printed on badge)

REGISTRATION FEES		By 6/12	After 6/12
<input type="checkbox"/>	APC Chairs	\$800	\$975
<input type="checkbox"/>	PDAS – Program Administrators	\$550	\$650
<input type="checkbox"/>	PRODS – Program Directors	\$550	\$650
<input type="checkbox"/>	CDS – Medical School Course Dirs.	\$500	\$600
<input type="checkbox"/>	CDS – Non-Members	\$700	\$800
<input type="checkbox"/>	CDS – Thursday Only	\$400	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/>	Residents	\$300	\$400
<input type="checkbox"/>	APC Alumni, Senior Fellows	\$500	\$600
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (non-member)	\$700	\$800
<input type="checkbox"/>	APC CME Fee	\$50	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Banquet/Reception Fee per Guest	\$50	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Breakfast & Lunch Fee per Guest	\$175	\$175

Registration Fee Includes:

- Reception and dinner (Wednesday, July 12) for one participant.
- Daily continental breakfast and lunch for one participant.

Workshop Selection:

I will attend Workshop # _____ (select ONE only) on Thursday, July 13 from 1:30-3:00pm.
 (description of workshops is enclosed/attached on separate page)

Fee Information:

- **Guests** may attend the Wednesday, July 12 banquet and reception. The fee is \$50 per guest. Continental breakfasts on July 13, 14, and 15 and lunches on July 13 and 14 are available for guests if desired. The fee is \$175 per guest. Badges will be provided at the meeting registration desk.
- The fee for **CME applications** is NOT included in the registration fee. An additional, non-refundable \$50 fee is required and CME applications are subject to approval. You may choose to pay the fee with your registration, OR pay the fee upon submitting a CME application at the meeting.
- **CDS participants** can register for the entire meeting, or for the Thursday, July 13 CDS program only. The CDS section includes Medical School Course Directors. Both members (those with APC departmental membership) and non-members are welcome.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Check enclosed \$ _____ (US currency only)
 (make checks payable to APC)

Charge \$ _____ (US) to:
 VISA MasterCard American Express

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____

Name on Card _____

Signature _____

Please note that APC is handling all registration for this meeting and utilizes the credit card processing system of the American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP) - this name will appear on your credit card statement. ASIP accepts VISA, MasterCard, and American Express.

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Questions? Contact the APC office by phone at (301) 634-7880 or by email at ajackson@asip.org

Cancellations require written notification. Prior to 6/12/06, a \$100 processing fee will be withheld from refunds. After 6/12/06, a \$200 processing fee will be withheld from refunds.

If you require special assistance, please contact APC at least 30 days before the meeting.

If you prefer, you may **REGISTER ONLINE** at
<http://www.apcprods.org/2006.html>

Click on the "Register Online" link to complete your registration. Preliminary program and hotel/travel information is also located here.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

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Thirteen workshops will be offered on Thursday, July 13, from 1:30-3:00pm. Please mark ONE choice in the space provided on the Registration Form. Workshops are limited to 15 participants each. If your selected workshop is filled, you will be contacted to select another workshop.

Workshop 1: Evaluating performance of coding, billing and collecting: Encouraging and monitoring best practices.

Objectives: To learn the best practices of academic pathology groups from the survey in terms of process, costs and results; To learn how others have implemented best practices in diverse practice situations. Chairs: R. Hunter (APC)/E. Johnson (PDAS)

Workshop 2: Part A war stories: Sharing successes, failures and challenges.

Objectives: To learn successful strategies and how to avoid pitfalls of negotiating with hospital administration; How to determine adequate staffing for clinical laboratories and sell it to the administration; Share your successes and failures in justifying (getting paid for) clinical chemistry, toxicology, molecular pathology, microbiology, transfusion medicine, etc. Chairs: R. Elin and F. Gorstein (APC)/G. Harvey (PDAS)

Workshop 3: Clinical Workload for pathologists in academic institutions.

Objectives: To learn current thinking on the optimal and actual workload of specialists in pathology; Understand the thinking about how one can equitably assign workload to pathologists in the different anatomic specialties and practice situations (Surgical Pathology, Cytopathology Renal pathology, Hematopathology, Dermatopathology, Neuropathology). Chairs: P. Thomas (APC)/R. Searles (PDAS)

Workshop 4: Outreach Business Development.

Objectives: Determine the potential niches that offer opportunities to compete with national labs; Learn some of the methods to develop those niches; Review the value of personalized professional services in outreach testing. Chairs: G. Threatte (APC)/R. Challender (PDAS)

Workshop 5: Dealing with the administration(s): Strategies for win-win negotiations.

Objectives: Learn new ways to become a full partner in planning initiatives and allocating resources at your institution for teaching, research and clinical service; Discuss methods to make pathology visible in the medical center so that we are included and valued when resources are allocated. Chairs: R. Folberg (APC)/J. Baci (PDAS)

Workshop 6: Developing effective incentives for teaching, service and research: Promulgating the mission and assessing financial productivity.

Objectives: Learn to avoid losing sight of our mission while we are being buffeted by external forces and a rapidly changing environment; Learn how to put together standards, assess the faculty against those standards and reward the faculty based on the results; Discuss how to successfully modify the evaluation and measuring process to adapt to a rapidly changing environment. Chairs: C. Jennette (APC)/N. Risenhoover (PDAS)

Workshop 7: Strengthening leadership skills: What works? Leaders are made, not born. How do we develop leadership skills of our faculty.

Objectives: Obtain methods and materials to prepare faculty for leadership roles in pathology including the role of the chair as many of us prepare for retirement or other chair opportunities; Learn how to prepare our administrative staff for increased responsibility and leadership roles as many of us prepare for retirement or other opportunities. Chairs: P. Kragel (APC)/M. Dixon (PDAS)

Workshop 8: National contracts and carve-outs: how to beat them. Some managed care companies are requiring all pathology and laboratory testing in outpatients be sent to national laboratories.

Objectives: Learn strategies employed around the country to counteract this arrangement. Chairs: F. Velazquez (APC)/D. Karsch (PDAS)

Workshop 9: Metrics for management – The digital dashboard. You can't manage things well and objectively that you can't measure.

Objectives: Learn common measures to assess the overall health of your department; Learn common measures to assess the health of the clinical, teaching, and research missions of your department. Chairs: TBA (APC)/K. Suskie (PDAS)

Workshop 10: Getting to the table in group practice managed care contracting. Does someone contract for you? Does that person have a detailed understanding of pathology contractions in your area. If not, you need to get to the table.

Objectives: Learn methods to get to the table for managed care contracting. Chairs: TBA (APC)/T. Dilts (PDAS)

Workshop 11: Effort reporting and accounting practices: Limiting research fines. The NIH is levying fines, some large, for failure to properly report or document research time.

Objectives: Learn the amount of NIH related research fines around the country and the reasons for the fines; Learn methods to limit these fines by better time and effort reporting and better accounting for supplies and services. Chairs: M. Hart (APC)/B. Peterson (PDAS)

Workshop 12: Teaching Practice Management to residents. Residents need to know the rudiments of practice management before being thrown into the fray. How can we teach them?

Objectives: Obtain several curricula for the training of residents in lab administration and the business of pathology; Learn how to set up a course and interest the residents and fellows in the course. Chairs: M. Talbert (APC)/H. Pukay-Martin (PDAS)

Workshop 13: Billing of molecular pathology. How do we survive and support good service when science has outdistanced the payors.

Objectives: Learn the basics of billing for molecular pathology testing; Learn the changes introduced for 2006 by the AMA through the CPT-4 publication. Chairs: TBA (APC)/E. Pigo (PDAS)

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Rates:

The conference rate for the APC meeting is \$179.00, not including applicable state and local taxes and Daily Resort Fee.

Contact Information:

When making your reservation, identify yourself as an APC meeting attendee.
The Reservations telephone number is 800-428-8886.

Resort Information:

Visit www.cheyennemountain.com for comprehensive information. The resort is located within 20 minutes of the Colorado Springs Airport. For those who choose to fly into Denver, Cheyenne Mountain Resort is a 1-hour drive, or a 20-minute flight to Colorado Springs Airport.