The CAP17 Abstract Program
CAP17 – THE Pathologists' Meeting
October 8-11, 2017
National Harbor, Maryland

CAP17 Abstract Program Important Dates to Remember:

January 9, 2017	**Abstract submission begins**
March 10, 2017	**Abstract submission closes at 5 p.m. Central time**
May 24, 2017	**Corresponding authors notified of submission status**
August 11, 2017	**Top 5 Junior Member Abstract Program winners notified**

Submissions to the CAP17 Abstract Program are no longer being accepted. Corresponding authors will be notified via e-mail on May 24th regarding the status of their submissions.

The CAP17 Abstract Program is a competitive program sponsored by the College of American Pathologists. The program is designed to promote a broad range of research in pathology. It offers pathologists and research scientists the opportunity to present original research to their peers in a poster presentation format. Editors from the *Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine* will evaluate submissions to this program.

In addition, the CAP17 Abstract Program provides a unique opportunity for residents to enhance research skills, develop writing proficiency, gain practical experience at presenting their findings, and contribute to the literature and advancement of pathology.

Accepted abstracts and case studies will be published as a Web-only supplement to the September 2017 issue of the *Archives.* CAP junior members who have their abstracts accepted are eligible to be selected as a Top 5 Junior Member Abstract Program award winner. The Top 5 junior member winners will also be considered for the CAP17 Platform Poster Session.

CAP Top 5 Junior Member Abstract Program
Authors of the top five accepted abstracts received from CAP junior members will be named as the Top 5 Junior Member Abstract Program award winners and given cash prizes:
- First place cash award = $1,500

- Second place cash award = $1,000
- Third place cash award = $750
- Fourth and fifth place cash awards are $500 each.

To be eligible for the CAP17 Top 5 Junior Member Abstract Program awards, a CAP junior member must:
1. Have performed a substantial portion of the research and work involved in the preparation of the abstract;
2. Be listed as either the first or second author;
3. Serve as the corresponding author.

Top 5 Junior Member Abstract Program award winners will be notified by August 11, 2017 and cash prizes will be awarded during the CAP17 meeting. The award winners will also be recognized during the CAP17 meeting and their winning posters will be prominently displayed at the meeting. In addition, the Top 5 winners will be considered for the Platform Poster Session.

Author Requirements
Corresponding authors must be available to respond to questions about the content of their submissions from the *Archives* editorial office, especially during the period of April 10 to May 10, 2017. E-mail addresses for corresponding authors must be active and accessible until at least August 2017. Corresponding authors will be notified of their submission status by May 24, 2017.

Authors of accepted submissions must prepare a 4' x 8' foot poster summary of their abstract/case study for presentation at CAP17. The poster must be displayed by the authors during CAP17, and the authors are expected to be present at their posters during specified Poster Focus times to discuss and answer questions about their research. Specific information regarding Poster Focus times and dates will be included in the acceptance notification e-mail sent to corresponding authors.

CAP17 Registration
All authors presenting posters are required to register for CAP17 and to pay the appropriate fees. Registration for CAP17 is available at www.cap.org/cap17.

Questions
If you have questions about the content of your abstract or case study, please e-mail contactcenter@cap.org prior to completing your submission. Your questions will be routed to the abstract program coordinator. Remember, submissions cannot be changed or resubmitted after the submission deadline.