

PPS PRESIDENT WELCOME LETTER

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the Pulmonary Pathology Society!

For over 30 years, the PPS has been dedicated to promoting the study and research of thoracic pathology within our medical and scientific community. The Society remains actively engaged in this mission through its educational website, its annual PPS Companion Meetings held at the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology, and our three-day Biennial Conferences. Beyond our formal educational activities, many of our members, past and present, continue to shape the development of research across pulmonary, pleural, and mediastinal pathology. We warmly welcome new members to join us in contributing to the future of thoracic pathology.



It is an honour to serve as PPS President for the 2026–2028 term, together with the wonderful team of Dr Anja Roden, Vice President; Dr Sabina Berezowska, Treasurer; and Dr Jennifer Boland Froemming, Secretary. My continued gratitude is extended to these friends and colleagues for their dedication and service to the Society. A special thank you is also deserved for the ongoing contributions of our webmaster, Dr Don Guinee.

We recently enjoyed an outstanding Biennial Meeting in Quebec City, a testament to the combined work of Dr Lynette Sholl, Immediate Past President, who—alongside Natasha Rekhtman, Program Committee Chair; Susan Armstrong, Program Coordinator; and Marie-Pier Montminy, Local Organizing Chair—delivered an exceptional experience. Dr William Travis, a founding father of our Society, was duly recognised by the Awards Committee with its highest honour, the Lifetime Achievement Award. Congratulations, Bill!

We very much look forward to our next Biennial Meeting in Europe. This will be held at the Festival Hall, Lake Bled, Slovenia, between June 15–17, 2028, and will be graciously hosted by Dr Izidor Kern. Drs Yin (Rex) Hung and Jan van der Thüsen have kindly agreed to serve as Program Committee Co-Chairs for this term, with commitments to engage widely with our many internationally allied thoracic societies to establish the very best educational programme for this conference. Dr Jennifer Sauter is our incoming PPS Awards Committee Chair, overseeing the PPS Trainee Research, Travel, and Lifetime Achievement Awards through to 2028. Our members are encouraged to apply for Travel Awards, gaining the opportunity to join us at Lake Bled, meet our welcoming community, and engage in ongoing research.

The PPS website offers an extensive educational resource for you to explore, alongside ongoing new features such as the Case of the Month, organised through the Digital Content Committee Chair, Dr Matt Cecchini, and links to the Mayo Clinic journal club. The website also actively promotes our allied associations and their educational courses, and regularly hosts pulmonary pathology career opportunities.

Thank you for your membership!

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