Dear Triological Society Fellows and Members:

We hope you have enjoyed your Summer and are looking forward to a beautiful Fall. 2015 continues to be a busy and exciting year for the Society.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- We have been preparing for the launch of the Society’s online monthly journal, *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*. The first issue will be published online in October;
- Two very successful meetings were held in 2015 - the Combined Sections Meeting at the Hotel Del Coronado and the 118th Annual Meeting in Boston;
- 37 new Fellows were inducted into the Society in April;
- A new research grant program was developed;
- Thesis guidelines were revised to include new submission categories;
- Preparation continues for the 2016 meetings in Miami Beach and Chicago;
- *ENTtoday* received another APEX award

You will find information on these and other highlights in this newsletter.

**IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES**

- **September 20**
  - Online registration for 2016 Sections Meeting opens
- **September 22**
  - *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology* website opens
- **October 1**
  - Deadline for submission of candidate materials (for candidates to be presented at the January Section Business Meetings)
- **October 15**
  - Deadline for abstract submissions for the Spring Annual Meeting
  - Deadline for dues payments
  - Deadline for applications (residents, Fellows, med students) to qualify for January 2016 travel awards
- **December 11**
  - Deadline for hotel reservations at the Loews, Miami Beach

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December 18 through January 13

- Timeframe for mandatory manuscript submission to *The Laryngoscope* or *Laryngoscope Investigative Otalaryngology* for podium presentations to be made at the January meeting.

December 20

- Deadline for early registration discount for January meeting (Senior and Emeritus Fellows receive complimentary registration for the meeting through December 20th).

January 8

- Online Registration closes/onsite only after this date.

January 22-24

- Sections Meeting, Miami Beach, FL

### COMBINED SECTIONS MEETING - JANUARY 22 - 24, 2016

The four Sections will meet at the Loews Miami Beach, a popular location where we have previously held meetings. The Section Vice Presidents, Bill Armstrong, MD (Western), Soly Baredes, MD (Eastern), Stephen Park, MD (Southern) and Brian Nussenbaum, MD (Middle) are working with the Program Committee, chaired by Mark Persky, MD, to prepare a program that will meet the educational needs of our members and otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons around the country. The meeting program will be available soon at [www.triological.org](http://www.triological.org).

Registration brochures were mailed to all members in early August. The brochure is available on our website to download and contains all information pertaining to hotel reservations and meeting registration. Information on travel discounts is also available on the website.

**CME credits** will be available. **Posters** will be available for viewing throughout the duration of the program. You will have the opportunity to discuss posters with the authors during the **Meet the Authors Poster Reception** on Saturday evening.

**Friday sessions** – The popular “How I Do It” session will be followed by concurrent sessions and panels on head and neck surgery, otology, sleep disorders, general otolaryngology, and pediatric otolaryngology. The “Great Debate”, and “What’s the Latest and Greatest” will wrap up the Friday scientific sessions. That evening, meeting attendees will have the opportunity to socialize and network at the **Vice Presidents’ Welcome Reception**.

**Saturday sessions** - Concurrent sessions on Saturday morning will include paper and panel presentations on facial plastic/reconstructive surgery, laryngology, rhinology, sleep medicine, and general otolaryngology. Saturday afternoon activities include the Resident Bowl (won by UCLA four years in a row), the Thesis Seminar for candidates and prospective candidates, and the annual golf outing. Visit our website for additional information and registration for the events. The American Society of Geriatric Otolaryngology will hold a session on Friday afternoon. **Separate registration and fee applies.** Contact information will be available on our website. The **Meet the Authors Poster Reception** followed by a **Miami Beach party** will be held Saturday evening.

**Sunday sessions** – Panels and topics of interest to all otolaryngologists will take place on Sunday morning to include Controversies in Otolaryngology; Health Reform, Ethics, and Changes for the Future; as well as Masters of Otolaryngology who will discuss scary cases, their worst cases, and career changing events.

**Business Meetings/New Candidates for Fellowship:** Application materials are available on the website. **New Candidates for Fellowship may be proposed through October 1st.** Questions may be directed to Marsha or Beth in the administrative office. The candidate credentials booklet will be available at the end of December for review by all voting members of the Society. We urge Fellows to attend their respective business meetings and, if you are a candidate sponsor, you are required to attend your business meeting to speak on behalf of your candidate(s). The business meeting schedule is: Western and Southern Sections - **Saturday, January 23rd at 7:00 am**; Eastern and Middle Sections - **Sunday, January 24th at 7:00 am**.

**Resident Research Awards and Travel Grants:** As mentioned in previous newsletters, the Society continues to advocate for the support of residents through funding of resident research awards and travel grants. The Sections honor numerous Fellows each year with named resident research awards. The named awards for the upcoming Combined Sections Meeting will honor Drs. Richard Bellucci, William Montgomery, John Lindsay, Dean Lierle, Henry Williams, John Bordley, Lester Brown, John Conley and Shirley Baron.
All residents who are chosen to present a paper (podium or poster) are eligible for a travel grant. Please remind your residents that they must forward their resident member application no later than October 15th in order to be eligible for awards. The travel grants are payable to the resident’s institution.

**Fellow and Medical Student Travel Grants:** For the first time this year, Fellows and medical students chosen for presentations are eligible for travel awards. Information and applications are available at [http://www.triological.org/membership.html](http://www.triological.org/membership.html) and the deadline is October 15th. These travel awards are paid directly to the institution.

**Travel Awards for Annual Meeting at COSM:** Additionally, travel awards for residents, Fellows and medical students chosen to make presentations at our Annual Meeting at COSM will be eligible for travel awards. Information will be available on our website at a later date.

If you have any questions or if you need assistance, please contact the administrative office at 402-346-5500 or email info@triological.org.

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**TRIOLOGICAL 119th ANNUAL MEETING AT COSM – MAY 20 - 21, 2016**

The Program Committee, chaired by Harold C. Pillsbury, MD from UNC Chapel Hill, has begun preliminary work on the meeting to be held at the Hyatt Regency in Chicago. COSM will be held May 18-22, 2016. The COSM schedule for all societies is available at [www.cosm.md](http://www.cosm.md). Hotel reservations may be made at the Hyatt Regency Chicago ($259 plus tax) at [https://resweb.passkey.com/go/COSM2016](https://resweb.passkey.com/go/COSM2016) or at the hotel website using the group code COSM. The Hyatt reservation deadline is March 23, 2016.

COSM meeting/registration brochures will be available on the COSM and TRIO websites in late December. Meeting registration will open online in January, 2016.

Online abstract submission is open for the Triological Annual Meeting until October 15th.

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**SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS UPDATE**

- The premiere issue of *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology* will be available in October. This online journal is a companion to *The Laryngoscope*. D. Bradley Welling, MD PhD is the Editor in Chief of the new journal. Please visit the Triological site for links to the journal’s submission link and website [http://www.triological.org/lio.html](http://www.triological.org/lio.html)
- Make sure you open *ENTUpdate* which you receive monthly via email so you can keep up to date on the latest news, research, and practical techniques from *The Laryngoscope* and *ENTtoday*.
- If you have not yet registered for your personal online subscription to *The Laryngoscope*, we urge you to do so. Many of you are most likely using your institution’s online subscription, rather than your personal member subscription. After you register, you can download the app. Email Beth at beth@triological.org for instructions on how to obtain *The Laryngoscope* app.
- Go to the *ENTtoday* site [www.enttoday.org](http://www.enttoday.org) to view past and recent videos from the Triological Society’s meetings.
- To view posters presented at the Triological Society meetings from 2009 to the present, visit our expanded site [www.triomeetingposters.org](http://www.triomeetingposters.org) where you can search by author, title, meetings, or topics.
- TRIO BPs (Best Practice) are available at *The Laryngoscope* website.

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**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 118TH ANNUAL MEETING AT COSM, APRIL 24-25, 2015**

Derald Brackmann, MD presided as President at the Society's 118th Annual Meeting at Hynes Convention Center in Boston. A total of 551 physicians and 742 residents and medical students registered for the Triological Society meeting. Overall registration for physicians, residents, medical students and allied health for COSM was 2,558. All COSM societies participated.

The Presidential address, “Vestibular Schwannoma Management: Then and Now” was given by Dr. Brackmann, and an outstanding Ogura Lecture was presented by Uttam K. Sinha, MD on “Rethinking Head and Neck Cancer in the Era of Quantum Biology”. Gerald S. Berke, MD, the Guest of Honor, gave a presentation on “A Trainee’s Reflection on Paul Ward, MD”, a Past President who passed away in April, 2015. The scientific program was chaired by Marilene Wang, MD who, together with her program committee, designed an excellent program addressing many research and clinical advances. Panels included on the program were:
During the 2015 Triological annual meeting, 130 poster presentations and 43 podium presentations were given during the one and one-half day meeting. Many of these presentations have been published in *The Laryngoscope* or will be published in *The Laryngoscope* or *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*. Posters for the 2015 meetings as well as posters presented at all Society meetings since 2009 can be viewed at the Triological website or by going directly to www.triomeetingposters.org.

## THESIS AWARDEES AND UPDATES

The Thesis Committee, chaired by Dana Thompson, MD, reviewed the scholarly work and made recommendations to the Council who approved thirty-seven theses in 2015. These new Fellows were welcomed into the Society at the ceremony and reception held at the Annual Meeting in Boston on April 24th. Our new Fellows have benefitted from the guidance and mentorship of our Active and Senior Fellows. Thesis Awards were presented to the following:

**Harris P. Mosher Award**: Lisa E. Ishii, MD MHS of Johns Hopkins University

“The Social Distraction of Facial Paralysis: Objective Measurement of Social Attention Using Eye Tracking”

**Edmund Prince Fowler Award**: Bradford A. Woodworth, MD of University of Alabama

“Resveratrol Ameliorates Abnormalities of Fluid and Electrolyte Secretion in a Hypoxia-Induced Model of Acquired CFTR Deficiency”

**Honorable Mention Awards for Basic Science**:

- Eunice Y. Chen, MD PhD of Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center
  “Tissue Oxygen Profiling Using Electron Paramagnetic Resonance Oximetry to Improve Wound Healing After Radiation”

- Ian N. Jacobs, MD of Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
  “The Development of an In Vitro and In Vivo Derived Tissue-Engineered Cartilage for Pediatric Laryngotracheal Reconstruction in a Rabbit Model”

**Honorable Mention Awards for Clinical Research**:

- Oliver F. Adunka, MD of University of North Carolina (at time of submission)
  “Round Window Electrocochleography Before and After Cochlear Implant Electrode Insertion”

- Hamid R. Djalilian, MD of University of California, Irvine
  “Development of a Novel Completely-In-The-Canal Direct-Drive Hearing Device”

- Brett A. Miles, MD DDS of Icahn School of Medicine, Mount Sinai
  “Feasibility of Intraoperative Margin Control Utilizing High Resolution Microendoscopy Optical Imaging for Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma”

**With Distinction Awards for Basic Research**:

- Noam A. Cohen, MD PhD of University of Pennsylvania
  “The Genetics of the Bitter Taste Receptor T2R38 in Upper Airway Innate Immunity and Implications for Chronic Rhinosinusitis”

- Wade Wei-De Chien, MD of Johns Hopkins University
  “Cochlear Gene Transfer Mediated by Adeno-associated Virus: Comparison of Two Surgical Approaches”.

Dr. Dana Thompson, together with the late Dr. Maureen Hannley, made major revisions to the Thesis Submission Guidelines and Categories which were approved and applauded by the Council this Spring. The new Thesis Guidelines are in effect for this Fall’s submissions. These documents are available for review on the Triological website.
The Society awarded $480,000 in grant funds for fiscal year 2014-15, which is an increase from the previous fiscal year. The Society has cumulatively awarded nearly $4.2 million in funding to young investigators. The 2015-16 fiscal year awards to be made include:

**Triological Society/American College of Surgeons Clinical Scientist Awards.** These joint awards continue and awardees will be announced in October. These awards provide supplemental funding to otolaryngologists-head and neck surgeons who receive a new NIH mentored clinical scientist development award (K08/K23) or have minimum of 3 years of funding remaining on an existing NIH grant. Financial support is provided in the amount of $80,000 ($40,000 each from TRIO and ACS) per year for up to five years to supplement the NIH awards.

The Society’s collaboration with the American College of Surgeons has given the Society the opportunity to focus on awarding larger grants to promote the research careers of young scientists and supplement otolaryngology scientists who have NIH funding. The Society continues to be an excellent investment for Triological Fellows and members who wish to leave a legacy of support for scholarly pursuits and research.

The new grants program, **Triological Society Career Development Awards**, commences this fiscal year with letters of intent due in December and applications due in January. These grants will be funded in the amount of $40,000 each. The number of awards given will be determined based on the merit of the applications received. Eligibility requirements include: 1) FT, PT or CS faculty appointment at the Assistant or Associate Professor level; 2) Primary residency and/or fellowship must have been completed within the past seven years prior to submission; 3) applicant is ineligible if currently or previously received an NIH R01 or equivalent award as a PI. These projects must have a direct impact on the applicant’s ability to pursue his/her long range research objectives and may focus on the following areas:

- Clinical Research
- Basic Research
- Health Services and Outcomes Research
- Technology/Procedure Development
- Otolaryngology Status and Trends
- Historical Perspective

Information is available at [http://www.triological.org/researchgrants.html](http://www.triological.org/researchgrants.html)

Thank you to Dr. Gerald Berke, Chair of the Research Committee, and our Research Committee members who have given so much of their time and expertise to the grants process.

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**DUES PAYMENTS**

2015-2016 dues statements were mailed in August and payments are due by October 15th. If you need a duplicate statement or have questions, please contact beth@triological.org or call Beth at 402-346-5500. We appreciate your prompt payment. To comply with Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards, the administrative office cannot accept payments over the phone. DUES PAYMENTS SHOULD BE MADE ONLINE AT [http://www.triological.org/membership.html](http://www.triological.org/membership.html)

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