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### Message From the President:

Patrick J. Stover, PhD

I hope you all are having productive summer months. Last month, I spoke at the public unveiling of Public-Private Partnership Principles for food, nutrition, and health research. This initiative was led by ASN through a cooperative agreement with the USDA Agricultural Research Service. The principles aid in determining when and how to establish and operate successful public-private partnerships for research. They have been endorsed by organizations representing more than 95,000 scientists and were developed with widespread consensus from individuals representing academia, government agencies, professional societies, research organizations, and industry. I encourage all members to read the [article](#) outlining the principles, and I look forward to advancing ASN's role in these types of partnerships during my term as President!

Patrick J. Stover, PhD  
ASN President

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## Upcoming Meetings

### Clinical Conference 2015

ASN's fifth annual [Advances and Controversies in Clinical Nutrition](#) (ACCN) conference will be held December 4-6, 2015 in Long Beach, Calif. This year's conference will highlight the latest research, advancements, and best practices in clinical nutrition. The conference features lectures, controversy sessions, workshops, professional development, scientific posters, networking, and more.

## Upcoming Deadlines & Events

**July 19-24.** FASEB SRC:

[Origins and Benefits of Active Components in Human Milk](#). Big Sky, MT.

**September 8.** [EB 2016](#) late-breaking proposals deadline.

**September 9-12.** [Diet and Optimum Health Conference](#). Corvallis, OR.

**September 28.** [ACCN15](#) abstract submission deadline.

**Now-October 31.** [World Expo Milan](#): Feeding the Planet - Energy for Life.

**December 4-6.** [Advances & Controversies in Clinical Nutrition](#). Long Beach, CA.



Join Us for the  
**2015 Diet and Optimum Health Conference**  
September 9-12  
Corvallis, Oregon, USA  
[ipi.oregonstate.edu/DOH2015](http://ipi.oregonstate.edu/DOH2015)



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## Call for Abstracts

Original research abstracts are being accepted for presentation at ACCN 2015 through September 28. Discuss your research with today's leaders in the field of clinical nutrition!

New this year, accepted abstracts will be published in [Advances in Nutrition](#), a high-profile review journal published by ASN that gathers, synthesizes, and explains the current state of knowledge in all facets of nutrition.

Abstract categories include:

- Variability in Responses to Diet and Food
- Nutrition on Healthy Growth, Development and Reproduction
- Disease Prevention, Progression and Treatment
- Nutrition-Related Behaviors
- Food Supply and Environment
- Vitamins, Minerals and Bioactives
- Energy and Nutrient Metabolism
- Community, Public Health and Global Nutrition
- Nutrition and Health Policy



Travel awards for graduate and medical students, trainees and young professionals are available! Abstract submission is free, and authors of accepted abstracts are required to present their research onsite at ACCN 2015. [Learn more about abstract submission and awards](#). The deadline for submission is **Friday, September 28, 2015** at 11:59 PM ET.

## ASN's Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at EB 2016

Mark your calendars for April 2-6, 2016 for [ASN's 80th Scientific Sessions & Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology](#), taking place in San Diego, CA. Late-breaking session proposals are due **September 8, 2015**.



## Public Policy News

### ASN to Submit NAREEE Board Nominations

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Research, Education and Economics Office is [seeking the nomination of](#) individuals to serve on 9 open slots of the [National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics \(NAREEE\) Advisory Board](#). The NAREEE Board "advises the Secretary of Agriculture and land-grant colleges and universities on top priorities and policies for food and agricultural research, education, extension and economics." These are 3-year appointments that begin October 1, 2015. ASN would like to submit the names of qualified ASN members to represent ASN on this Advisory Board for Category I. National Human Health Association. Email [Sarah Ohlhorst](#) with names of qualified individuals or if you would like to be nominated by **July 17**.

### Senate Appropriation Committee adopts Labor and Health and Human Services Funding Bill

The Senate Appropriation Committee adopted the [FY 2016 Appropriations for Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education](#) by

## Call for Letters

### Call for Letters of Intent

The National Pork Board is requesting initial Letters of Intent (LOI) to conduct research in specified areas of interest regarding fresh, lean pork and human nutrition. The specified research and format will be available August 10, 2015. The initial, 2-page, LOI will be due to the National Pork Board on September 15, 2015. For more information, please visit [www.pork.org/research](http://www.pork.org/research).

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vote of 16 to 14 and reports in to the full Senate for consideration in late June. This bill, identical to the Subcommittee bill, described in a previous newsletter, reduces the discretionary spending by \$3.6 billion from FY 2015 through sequestration mandatory reductions and \$14.6 billion over the President's budget.

### **FDA Extends Compliance Date for Menu Labeling**

FDA is [extending the compliance date for the menu labeling rule to December 1, 2016](#), for those covered by the rule. The FDA plans to issue in August 2015 a draft guidance document that provides answers to frequently asked questions to assist covered establishments in complying with the rule. There will be an opportunity for comment on the draft guidance and the FDA will review any comments received as quickly as possible. In addition to the guidance, the FDA will also provide educational and technical assistance for the covered businesses and for state, local, and tribal regulatory partners to support nationwide compliance.

Visit the [ASN website](#) to read the entire policy update.

## **Journal Highlights**

ASN participated in the 12th [Asian Congress of Nutrition](#) (ACN) in Yokohama, Japan, May 14-18. The ACN is held every four years in Asia. This year's congress was attended by nearly 4,000 research scientists and clinical practitioners from the 18 member nations of the Federation of Asian Nutrition Societies (FANS), members of the International Union of Nutrition Sciences (IUNS), and local participants. The 13th ACN will be held in Bali, Indonesia in August 2019.

In Japan, Dr. Dennis Bier, Editor-in-Chief of *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* (AJCN), and Dr. Teresa Davis, Editor-in-Chief of *The Journal of Nutrition* (JN) presented the ASN Author Workshop, "Guidance and Instruction for Good Scientific Publication." The author workshop was a success and generated interest from other international groups. As the adhering body to the IUNS for the USA, ASN continues to look for ways to promote nutrition research through the creation, translation and dissemination of science-based nutrition information.

### Advances in Nutrition

The July/August 2015 [issue](#) of *Advances in Nutrition*, ASN's international review journal, features these review analyses:

- Why don't most consumers follow dietary guidance? Densie Webb et al. believe "[I]t is up to health educators to clear up confusion and give consumers control with nutrition messages that are realistic, positive, easy to understand, and actionable without an expectation that consumers will surrender foods they love."

- Are added sugars really so bad? James M. Rippe et al. conclude that "added sugars consumed in the normal forms in which humans consume them, at amounts typical of the human diet and for the time period studied in randomized controlled trials, do not result in adverse health consequences."

### The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition

Read the [media alert](#) for summaries and analyses of each study.

- Is the association between alcohol use and coronary artery disease causal? Evidence from a long-term twin study



- First-trimester maternal protein intake and childhood kidney outcomes: the Generation R Study

*The Journal of Nutrition*

Summaries and analyses are found in the [media alert](#).

- Association of protein intake with lean mass and quadriceps muscle strength in adult men and women
- Vitamin B-12 deficiency in children is associated with grade repetition and school absenteeism, independent of folate, iron, zinc, or vitamin A status biomarkers

## Member Spotlight

- **Dr. Wendy White**, Iowa State University, received the Career Achievement in Teaching Award from the College of Human Sciences.
- Browse the list of members who joined ASN in [June 2015](#).

*Have you received an award, been quoted in the media or published a book recently? ASN is proud of its members and wants to know about such accomplishments. Send the information to Suzanne Price at [sprice@nutrition.org](mailto:sprice@nutrition.org) to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.*