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Greetings from the President: Robert M. Russell, MD

Executive Board Update

The ASN Executive Board met in late September and discussed a number of important items. We identified a need to enlarge the Board and provide broader opportunities for participation in ASN governance activities. Doing so will require analysis of the existing ASN bylaws and a vote of the membership in the coming months.

American College of Nutrition

In June, the ASN Executive Board authorized discussions regarding ACN's interest in a closer partnership or possible merger with ASN. A joint task force with representatives from both organizations was formed to examine the potential of an ASN-ACN relationship. The ASN Strategic Oversight Committee (SOC) completed a review of findings of the joint task force, and the ASN Executive Board reviewed the recommendations and approved moving forward. ASN and ACN have now entered into a formal agreement for the transfer of ACN operations and assets into ASN. A transition group will provide guidance as the ACN members and programs are incorporated into our Society. For additional details, please contact ASN President Rob Russell at russell@nutrition.org.

Other News

As shared in the [Sept. 17 e-newsletter for members](#), Anne Meyers recently retired after more than 29 years at the Secretariat. Many of you have worked directly with her over the years and we appreciate her decades of service to ASN. To honor Anne, we are establishing a travel award in her name for future International Congresses of Nutrition. You can [contribute to the scholarship online](#). To dedicate your gift in support of this new award please select the button for "Travel awards, scholarships and research grant programs" and fill in the box "In Honor/Memory Of" with Anne Meyers). Please contact [Paula Eichenbrenner](#) with any questions or comments.

Finally, it is with great sadness that I announce the death of Herbert Longenecker, PhD, on Sept. 18, 2010. Dr. Longenecker was an ASN member since 1945 and a respected biochemist. His contributions to the fields of nutrition and biochemistry will be remembered.



**Do you know a researcher or a research team
 who should be nominated for the 2011
 'Danone International Prize for Nutrition'?**

Submit before November 15, 2010 - www.danoneinstitute.org

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Oct. 7-9. [American College of Nutrition Annual Meeting](#). New York, NY.

Oct. 21-22. [AICR Annual Research Conference](#). Washington, DC.

Nov. 2. ASN, IFIC and IFT [Proposal Writing Tailored to the NIH](#). Online. 2:00 p.m. EDT.

Nov. 6-9. American Dietetic Association's [Food and Nutrition Conference & Expo](#). Boston, MA. Visit ASN at booth #2733 for a special gift!

Nov. 10-13. [Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students](#) (ABRCMS). Charlotte, NC. Visit ASN at booth #519 for a special gift!

Nov. 17-18. [ANDP's](#) Fall Meeting. Washington, DC. Sessions will focus on updates from ASN; USDA leadership including the Research, Education and Economics mission area, the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, and the Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion; the Department of Health and Human Services; the National Academy of Sciences; IFT and ADA.

Dec. 7. ASN, IFIC and IFT [Proposal Writing Tailored to the USDA](#). Online. 10:30 a.m. CDT.

Feb. 25-27, 2011. ASN's [Advances and Controversies in Clinical Nutrition](#). San Francisco, CA.

April 9-13, 2011. ASN's [Scientific Sessions and Annual](#)

Member Spotlight



Public Policy News

Congress returned from their August recess for a brief work period which ended in a Continuing Resolution to fund the government. Read the [entire public policy newsletter](#) for a complete update on funding, stem cells, and the upcoming elections.

Advances & Controversies in Clinical Nutrition Conference

Housing Now Open!

When you register to attend the upcoming Advances and Controversies in Clinical Nutrition Conference, you can reserve accommodations at the Wyndham Parc 55 Hotel, the official headquarters hotel of the conference. We've secured a special conference rate for all meeting attendees. Make your reservations now with [Connections Housing](#), the official housing bureau for the conference!

For more detailed information including rates, rooms available, hotel amenities, and to make a reservation please [click here](#)! Deadline to reserve your housing at this rate is **February 2, 2011**. Do not contact the hotel directly to book reservations.

[Register online now](#) for the upcoming Advances and Controversies in Clinical Nutrition Conference, organized by ASN's Medical Nutrition Council. The conference will be held February 25-27, 2011, in San Francisco, CA and features sessions like "Techniques for Effective Nutrition Behavior Change," presented by Daniel Bessesen, MD, University of Colorado Health Science Center. The [conference program](#) with confirmed speakers is now available and the [call for abstracts](#) is open. Registrants can apply for AMA PRA Category 1 CME for Physicians, CPE for Registered Dietitians, and Category 1 CECH in Health Education for CHES.

Visit the [ASN website](#) for more information on satellite sessions, exhibits, other sponsorship opportunities, and continuing education credit.

The first 50 ASN members to register will receive free access to the webinar: "The Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee Process Behind the Scenes: From Charter to Evidence to Advisory Report Recommendations."

Upcoming Deadlines:

- [Abstract Submission](#): November 12
- [Early Registration](#): January 7
- [Hotel Reservations](#): February 2



ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology

Abstract submission, early registration and hotel reservations for EB 2011 are now available! Please note the deadlines below.

Upcoming Deadlines:

- [Abstract Submission](#): November 8
- [Travel Awards](#): November 8 (GSRAs, Clinical Emerging), December 1 (INC Kellogg International Student) and February 9 (ASN MARC)
- Early [Registration](#): February 9
- [Hotel Reservations](#): March 4

[Meeting](#) at Experimental Biology 2011. Washington, DC.

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E.V. McCollum Lectureship

Dr. Andrew Prentice delivers the E.V. McCollum International Lectureship in Nutrition at the 4th Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference in Kenya this week. His lecture, "Trials and Tribulations: Unexpected outcomes from micronutrient interventions, and the need for more mechanistic research" argues for greater investment into research which links diet and disease. An updated version of this lecture will also be presented at the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at EB 2011.

Established by ASN in 1983, the McCollum series encourages sound advancements in nutritional science and their application for improving the health and well-being of people worldwide and commemorates the life and contributions of E.V. McCollum. The lectureship is supported by the E.V. McCollum International Lectureship Endowment Fund. For more information or to submit a nomination for the 23rd McCollum Lecturer, please [email us](#).

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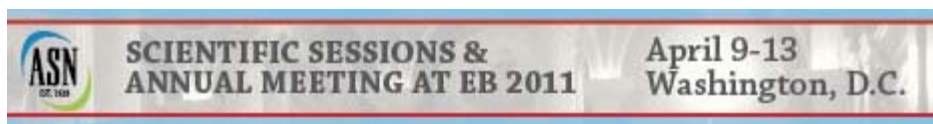
Pubcast videos feature authors of studies in [JN](#) and [AJCN](#) discussing their work. Learn more about various studies, straight from the authors.

The latest video includes a

ASN's [preliminary program](#) can be viewed online. We will kick off the science on Friday, April 8 with a satellite session, [Closing the Gap: Stearidonic Acid as a Sustainable Source of Omega-3 Fats for Food Applications](#). This day-long forum will present the latest scientific research on the health and food application benefits of omega-3 fatty acids, with an emphasis on stearidonic acid. The program is available at no additional charge to ASN members, EB attendees and the public thanks to educational grants from Solae and Monsanto.

Additional sponsorship opportunities including scientific sessions, networking events, RIS and more are available; please email peichenbrenner@nutrition.org.

Don't forget, the archive of videotaped symposia and other materials from EB 2010 and previous years is online at www.nutrition.org/edprofdev. All items are free to ASN members.



Update on *Advances in Nutrition*

The first issue of *Advances in Nutrition*, the new ASN peer-reviewed bimonthly review journal, will be published in November 2010. This issue will feature the following articles:

- Control of Systemic Iron Homeostasis by the Hemojuvelin-Hepcidin Axis. *An-Sheng Zhang*
- Epigenetics: a new bridge between nutrition and health. *Sang-Woon Choi, Simonetta Friso*
- N-3 Fatty Acids: Clinical trials in People with Type 2 Diabetes. *Suzanne Hendrich*
- Functional Amino Acids in Growth, Reproduction, and Health. *Guoyao Wu*
- Pulse Consumption, Satiety and Weight Management. *Megan A. McCrory, Bruce R. Hamaker, Jennifer C. Lovejoy and Petra E. Eichelsdoerfer*
- Nutrient Information Article: Choline. *Steven H. Zeisel and Marie A. Caudill*
- Agency Report: Institute of Medicine 2010. *Strategies to Reduce Sodium Intake in the United States*. Reported by Shelley McGuire.

Nutrient Information articles are concise summaries providing information on food sources, diet recommendations, deficiencies, toxicity, clinical uses, recent research and references for further information for micro- and macronutrients.

Agency reports are summaries of reports and other relevant documents available from agencies such as IOM, USDA Food and Nutrition Information Center, NIH Office of Dietary Supplements, and others.

To ensure that a topic is of interest to the Editorial Board and that a review dealing with the same aspect of nutritional science is not currently under review, potential authors are advised to contact the Editor, Dr. John Suttie (suttie@biochem.wisc.edu), and provide a brief description of the potential review topic before submitting a manuscript. All submitted reviews will be subjected to peer review before being accepted. Online content for the new journal will be made available to all 4,000 ASN members, as are *The Journal of Nutrition* and *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*. *Advances* will not assess manuscript submission fees, page charges, or charges for colored figures. To increase the impact and visibility of the new journal, all reviews published during the first year of publication will be available to all readers, regardless of their subscription status.

Journal Highlights

The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition

Serum vitamin D metabolites and intestinal calcium absorption efficiency in women

Calcium absorption revisited

Carbohydrate quantity and quality and risk of type 2 diabetes in the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition-Netherlands (EPIC-NL) study

Dietary glycemic load and type 2 diabetes: modeling the glucose-raising potential of carbohydrates for prevention

Contributors of water intake in US children and adolescents: associations with

discussion of the following study: *Intake of artificially sweetened soft drinks and risk of preterm delivery: a prospective cohort study in 59,334 Danish pregnant women*.

Dannon Leadership Institute Application Open

The application for the 2011 Dannon Institute *Nutrition Leadership Institute* is now available online. The program will be held June 4-9, 2011 at the Wye River Aspen Institute in Queenstown, Maryland. The application and additional information can be found on the Dannon Institute web site at www.dannon-institute.org.

To be eligible for the Dannon Institute *Nutrition Leadership Institute*, applicants must have earned a doctoral degree (Ph.D., M.D. or equivalent) in nutrition or a related subject. Applications are due by December 15, 2010.

Atwater Nominations Due Nov. 4

Please consider submitting an nomination for the 2011 W.O. Atwater Memorial Lectureship to the Agricultural Research Service, USDA's chief scientific agency. The Lecture, which is cosponsored with ASN, will be presented at the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2011.

The Lectureship was established in 1968 to honor the memory of Wilbur Olin Atwater (1844-1907) and to recognize scientists who have made unique contributions toward improving the diet and nutrition of people around the world. Atwater, considered the father of modern nutrition research and education, was the U.S. Department of Agriculture's first chief of nutrition investigations.

The Lecture is on a scientific trend or policy issue of the Lecturer's choice. An honorarium of \$2,000, a medallion, and expenses to attend the meeting to present the Lecture are part of the award.

To nominate, send

dietary and meal characteristics-National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey 2005-2006

The Journal of Nutrition

Blueberries may improve of efficacy of insulin in obese, prediabetic adults

Researchers document deep chasm between recommended and actual food intake patterns among Americans

Vitamin D status found to be inadequate in Inuit preschoolers

Member Spotlight

- ASN Past President **Stephanie Atkinson** has been appointed as the new Advisory Board Chair for the Canadian Institute of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes Institute.
- Five new volumes have been published as part of the Nutrition and Health Series, with **Adrienne Bendich** as Series Editor. **Michael F. Holick** has edited the Second Edition of "Vitamin D" containing 59 chapters; **John A. Milner** and **Donato F. Romagnolo** have edited "Bioactive Compounds and Cancer"; **Ted Wilson, George A. Bray**, Norman J. Temple and Mary Boyle Struble have edited the "Nutrition Guide for Physicians"; Fabien De Meester, Sherma Zibadi, and Ronald R. Watson have edited "Modern Dietary Fat Intakes in Disease Promotion."

Have you received an award from your institution or other membership organization? Have you 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 to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.



Please continue to send me your thoughts and ideas on improving ASN.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Russell, MD
President

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the candidate's CV and a letter explaining their contributions to nutrition to: Kim Kaplan, Lecture Coordinator, ARS Information Staff, Room 1-2253, 5601 Sunnyside Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705, phone 301-504-1637. (Nominations cannot be emailed or faxed.)

Deadline for nominations is Nov. 4; additional information can be found online at www.ars.usda.gov/is/lectures/atwater.htm.

Note: Current ARS employees are not eligible for nomination.