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Message From the President:
Patrick J. Stover, PhD

As ASN President for the next year, I plan to continue advancing the exciting vision and initiatives of ASN's past presidents, and take on five new initiatives: strengthening ASN linkages with academic departments, especially in the areas of undergraduate education; developing global regional graduate student organizations through the GNC to provide a welcoming environment for our international students studying in universities outside their home countries; expanding ASN as a global authority in nutrition with greater visibility and impact by serving as a platform for debate and discussion of the role of science in addressing our most pressing public health challenges; responding to the changing landscape of nutrition research by balancing the ASN portfolio among basic, clinical, public health and global health nutrition; and finally, initiating strategic planning for ASN 2028: 100 Years of ASN- Honoring our Tradition while Furthering our Mission. You can watch a [video](#) where I outline these priorities in more detail. I look forward to working with all of our members; please feel free to reach out to me at pjs13@cornell.edu at any time!

Patrick J. Stover, PhD
ASN President



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Upcoming Deadlines & Events

June 16. ASN Press Conference: A Transparent, Actionable Framework for Food and Nutrition Research Public-Private Partnerships. National Academy of Sciences- Washington, DC. 10:00-11:00 am.

June 17. [NSC webinar on microbiota](#). 1:00 pm ET.

June 21. Final registration for FASEB SRC on [Human Milk](#). Organized by Lactation RIS.

June 30. [Ferrero Hazelnut Award Competition](#) deadline. Prize: 160,000 Euros.

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.

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

ASN News

Research Partnership Principles Release

ASN, along with organizations representing more than 95,000 scientists, will unveil a framework for food, nutrition, and health research public-private partnerships on Tuesday, June 16 at the National Academy of Sciences. The principles were developed with widespread consensus from individuals representing academia, government agencies, professional societies, research organizations, and industry. The full article on the principles can be accessed [via AJCN](#).

RIS Elections

Congratulations to the following Research Interest Section chairs who were recently elected.

- Aging and Chronic Disease- Bahram Arjmandi, PhD, RD (2016-18)
- Carotenoid and Retinoid Interactive Group- Lisa Jahns, PhD, RD
- Community and Public Health Nutrition- TBD (voting in process)
- Diet & Cancer- Jin-Rong Zhou, PhD
- Dietary Bioactive Components- Andrew Neilson, PhD
- Energy & Macronutrient Metabolism- Stefan Pasiakos, PhD
- Experimental Animal Nutrition- Sheila Jacobi, PhD
- Lactation- David A. Sela, PhD (2017-2018)
- Nutrient-Gene Interactions- Jamie I. Baum, PhD
- Nutrition Education and Behavioral Science- Rachel Scherr, PhD
- Nutrition Translation- Lisa Sanders, PhD, RD
- Nutritional Epidemiology- Niyati Parekh, PhD
- Nutritional Immunology- Erik Karlsson, PhD (2015 -2017)
- Obesity- Andrew W Brown, PhD
- Vitamins and Minerals- Deshanie Rai, PhD

Upcoming Meetings

Webinar Series on the Microbiome

ASN's Nutritional Sciences Council is completing its free, four-part webinar series to describe the different approaches used to characterize the human microbiome, review current knowledge about gastrointestinal (GI) microbiota and obesity, and discuss the interactive role of GI microbiota and nutrition in chronic health and disease. [Register](#), [view previous programs and learn more about the series](#).

[What are the independent and interactive roles of GI microbiota and nutrition in modifying chronic disease risk?](#)

June 17 at 1 pm ET

Speakers:

WH Wilson Tang, MD
Johanna Lampe, PhD

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**.



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AAALAC Awards

The IQ Consortium and AAALAC International are pleased to announce the 2015 Global 3Rs Awards Program, which will recognize significant innovative contributions toward the 3Rs of animal research to advance ethical science by any researcher (nominated author, principal investigator, or research team leader) in academia or industry in any area of bioscience (e.g., basic science, discovery, development, teaching, testing, manufacture for new medicines, vaccines, medical devices or healthcare products for humans and animals). Up to Four Global Awards will be presented annually in the amount of \$5,000 (USD).

Deadline: July 1.

For more information and to apply, go to www.aaalac.org.

Public Policy News

ASN "Food for Health" Blog

Read ASN's latest blog on the Altarum Institute's Health Policy Forum, [Food for Health](#).

OSTP Asks Researchers to Share Stories, Encourage Investment

The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) Associate Director for Science [Dr. Jo Handelsman](#) is encouraging researchers to highlight the importance of continued investments in basic research by sharing stories about why basic research is important. To encourage and gain support for budget funding, OSTP has begun a #BasicResearch campaign on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research Names Executive Director

The [Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research](#), a private foundation formed by the 2014 Farm Bill to catalyze innovation in agricultural research, has named its first executive director. Dr. Sally Rockey, the current deputy of extramural research at the National Institutes of Health, will lead the foundation starting in September.

ICHNR Seeks Comment on National Nutrition Research Roadmap

The Interagency Committee on Human Nutrition Research recently launched a DRAFT [National Nutrition Research Roadmap 2015-2020: Advancing Nutrition Research to Improve and Sustain Health](#). The NIH Office of Disease Prevention posted an announcement on the NNRR page and can be found in the Federal Register Notice.

The ICHNR seeks public input regarding the Roadmap's key questions, topics, research gaps and opportunities, and the short- and long-term research and resource initiatives that would address those gaps and opportunities. The roadmap was developed as a written plan to coordinate federal human nutrition research. To ensure consideration, responses must be received by **June 25**. A final version of the Roadmap is anticipated this fall.

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

Journal Highlights

Advances in Nutrition

The May/June 2015 [issue](#) of *Advances in Nutrition*, ASN's international review journal, features several new takes on topics in nutrition, including a letter to the editor entitled: "Is dietary sodium policy actually based on science?"

The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition

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

- *Active video games and energy balance in male adolescents: a randomized crossover trial*
- *Red meat, dairy, and insulin sensitivity: a randomized crossover intervention study*



The Journal of Nutrition

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

- Cranberry juice consumption lowers markers of cardiometabolic risk, including blood pressure and circulating C-reactive protein, triglycerides, and glucose concentrations in adults

- Breastfeeding status at age 3 months is associated with adiposity and cardiometabolic markers at age 4 years in Mexican children

Member Spotlight

- **Dr. Michael Grusak**, Research Plant Physiologist, USDA-ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center and Professor of Pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine, spoke at the World Expo in Milan last month. He focused on the importance of crop breeding in improving nutrition in our food supply.
- Browse the list of members who joined ASN in [May 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 to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.