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New Telepathology Systems to Open in Tanzania and Rwanda

Below are highlights of the past month's achievements. If you have any questions, please contact Dan A. Milner, Jr., MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP, ASCP Chief Medical Officer, dan.milner@ascp.org.





Country Updates

- ASCP sponsored Tan Ince, MD, PhD, a researcher with the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, who presented a talk on Pathology and Breast Cancer on Sept. 15 at the International Multidisciplinary Cancer Management Conference through ASCO, in Baku, Azerbaijan.
- ASCP purchased equipment, reagents, and a service contract for a
 pilot program to provide cytospin technology to the Butaro District
 Hospital in Butaro, Rwanda, to improve the care model for patients with
 brain involvement (by monitoring cerebrospinal fluid) of leukemias and
 lymphomas which is being shipped and will arrive in September.
- ASCP CEO Blair Holladay, PhD, MASCP, SCT(ASCP)^{CM}, and ASCP Chief Medical Officer Dan A. Milner, Jr., MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP, attended a ribbon cutting of the new telepathology system at Muhimbili Hospital, in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on Sept. 17. Dr. Holladay and Dr. Milner will also attend a ribbon cutting of the new telepathology system at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center, in Moshi, Tanzania on Sept. 21.



Ribbon cutting for Muhimbili National Hospital, Dar ES Salaam, Tanzania. From left, Dr. Milner; Dr. Mpoki Ulisubisya, Permanent Secretary of the Tanzania Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children; and Dr. Holladay.



Pathology Residents at Muhimbili National Hospital who will be attending the ASCP 2018 Annual Meeting, Oct. 3-5, in Baltimore.

 ASCP Chief Medical Officer Dan A. Milner, Jr., MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP, and Ms. Lotte Mulder, ASCP senior manager of Organizational Leadership and Patient Engagement, will visit multiple laboratory professionals in Tanzania at Muhimbili Hospital and Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center to discuss ASCP Leadership Institute and leadership training that is culturally appropriate to the African context. Laboratory professionals from these sites will continue working with Ms. Mulder over the next several months in this endeavor.



Public Relations

Social media channels continue to promote the project to members.



Volunteers

- Mount Sinai Hospital, in cooperation with Pathologists Overseas/ASCP, is currently recruiting volunteer pathologists with cytology expertise to visit Liberia and assist with early stage epidemiological and diagnostic programs of training and service.
- The Partners for Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment in Africa project is looking for foreign language speakers in Spanish and Burmese initially, as well as members with experience in lab design and implementation to serve on the advisory committee for C/Can 2025: City Cancer Challenge.
- Opportunities are also emerging for ASCP members to lead country teams and assist with critical functions such as case assignment and team communications. If this is of interest, please contact ASCP Chief Medical Officer Dan A. Milner, Jr., MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP, at dan.milner@ascp.org.



Meetings

 From Sept. 24–26, Dr. Holladay, Dr. Milner, and Ms. Lotte Mulder, ASCP senior manager of Organizational Leadership and Patient Engagement, will attend the <u>APECSA</u> meeting, in Antananarivo, Madagascar, to present a range of topics, including leadership, test utilization and ASCP's global health