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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 the meeting of the Association of Kenyan Medical Laboratory Science Officers (AKMLSO), Oct. 9-12, in Shanzu, Mombasa, Kenya. ASCP also sent a member volunteer, Eshetu Lemma from Ethiopia, to present on the Society's recent work in East Africa on immunohistochemistry.
- ASCP staff and member volunteers attended, presented, and moderated sessions at the [Breast Health Global Initiative Global Summit](#) on Oct. 14-17 in Seattle, WA.
- In collaboration with Bio Ventures for Global Health of Seattle, WA, ASCP presented a workshop on October 22-24, in Lagos, Nigeria to support training in anatomic pathology services. This program is in support of the Ministry of Health's pilot Cancer Center of Excellence (CCOE) at Lagos State University Teaching Hospital (the first of 11 planned CCOEs). The topics included breast cancer, colon cancer, prostate cancer, Non-Hodgkin lymphoma, basic pathology processes, grossing, immunohistochemistry, synoptic reporting, and a series of Rad-Path correlations with visitors as facilitators and discussants.
- ASCP member volunteer faculty presented Quality Systems Essentials curriculum Part I on Oct. 25-26 and QSE curriculum Part 2, Nov 8-9 for the C/Can 2025 partnership in Asunción, Paraguay.
- On behalf of ASCP's Center for Global Health, ASCP Chief Medical Officer Dan A. Milner, Jr., MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP, will present at the [ACVP/ASVCP](#) concurrent annual meeting in Washington, D.C., on the value of pathology, collaboration, and human & animal surveillance in global health.
- ASCP member volunteer pathologists and technologists will make an on-site visit in Yangon, Myanmar to present QSE Part 1 and QSE Part 2 during the week of November 12.



Public Relations

- Social media channels continue to promote the project to members.
- A blog titled, A Response to “Offline: Why has global health forgotten cancer?” by ASCP Chief Medical Officer Dan A. Milner, Jr., MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP, appeared in the September issue of ASCP’s [Lablogatory](#).
- A blog titled, The Best Laid Plans: A “Trial by Fire,” by Dr. Milner, appeared in the October issue of [Lablogatory](#).



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

- Dr. Milner will attend the annual meeting of the American Cancer Society in Washington, D.C., from Nov. 11-13, to participate in global health tracts.
- ASCP CEO E. Blair Holladay, PhD, MASCP, SCT(ASCP)^{CM}, Dr. Milner, and several other senior leaders from ASCP will attend and present at a Novartis Summit in Washington, D.C., on November 13-14, to discuss our recent work with immunohistochemistry deployments in East Africa.