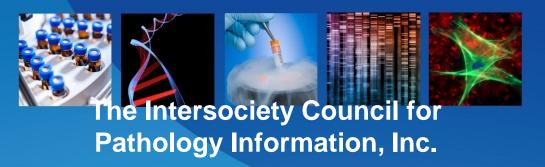
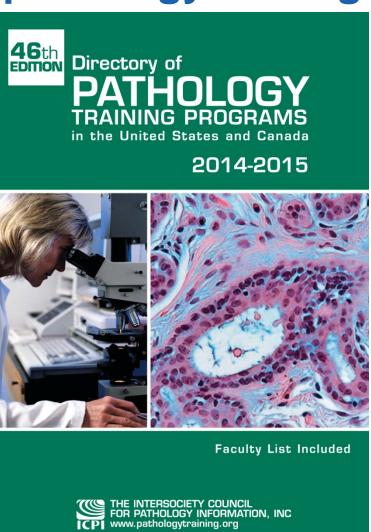


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- Association for Molecular Pathology (AMP)
- Canadian Association of Pathologists
- National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME)
- Papanicalaou Society of Cytopathology
- Society for Pediatric Pathology (SPP)

What is Pathology?



What are the Career Options for Pathologists?



- Community Practice (80%)
- Academic Practice & Medical School Administration (15%)
- Industry (3%)
- Government, Public Health & Regulatory Positions, e.g., FDA, NIH, CDC (1%)

The Job Market for Pathologists is Excellent



There will be a shortage of pathologists in the next two decades, starting in 2015*:

- Beginning in 2014, the number of retiring pathologists will increase, peaking by 2021.
 - •The number of graduating pathology residents will be less than the number of retiring pathologists per year.
- Anticipated population growth and increases in disease incidence will lead to a net deficit of more than 5,700 pathologists by 2030.

^{*}Robboy SJ et al. Arch Pathol Lab Med. 2013; in press.

Demographics



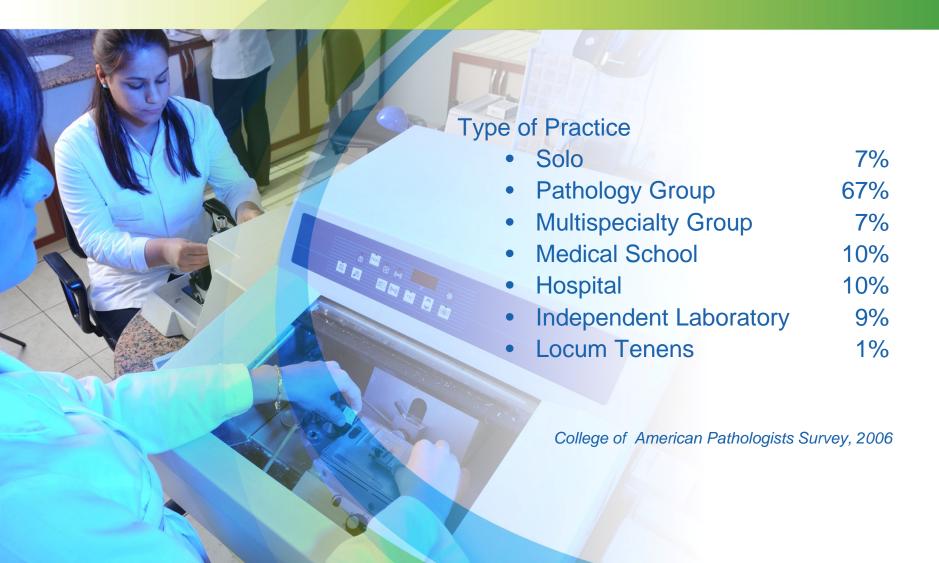
Active Pathologists in the US*

- Nearly 18,000 actively practicing pathologists
 - •93% are ABP-Board Certified
 - •5.8 pathologists per 100,000 population
 - Projected retirement age at 71 years
- •Based on the current number of pathology residents in-training, pathologist strength will fall by 2030 to 14,800 (3.9 per 100,000)

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Pathology Practice Demographics



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Compensation



The average (mean) base salary is \$257,850

The average base salary for pathologists with 1-10 years of experience is \$201,775

Pathologists with 11-20 years of experience earned an average base salary of \$260,119

Pathologists with more than 30 years of professional experience earned a base salary of \$279,011.

Compensation



59% of respondents receive additional compensation other than base salaries

•Incentive compensation ~\$94,000

•Deferred income ~\$34,000

•Other income ~\$56,000

Benefits



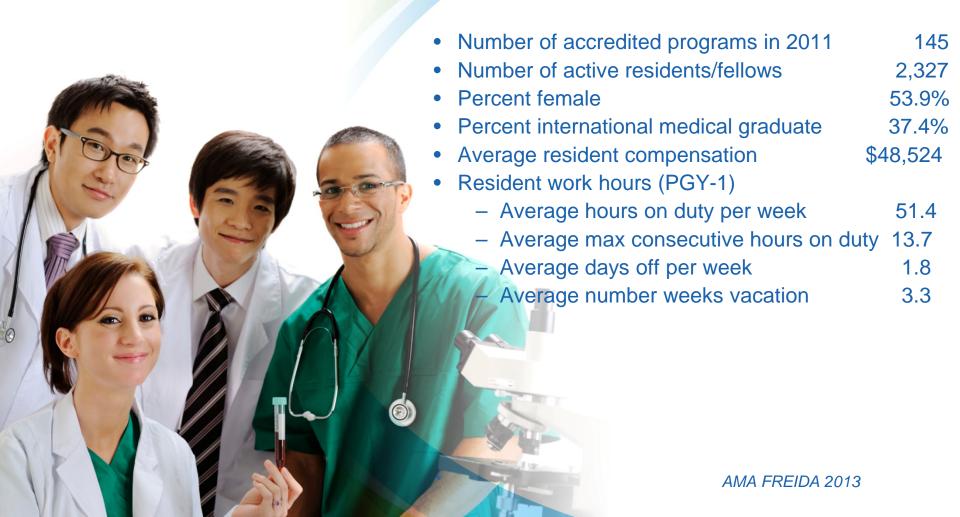
Paid vacation	90%
•Health Insurance	83%
•Malpractice premiums	82%
•Retirement plan	83%
•Paid CME	72 %
Paid sick leave	57 %
Bonus % of protection	21%
•Tuition reimbursement	13%
•Other	23%

CAP Member Survey 2011

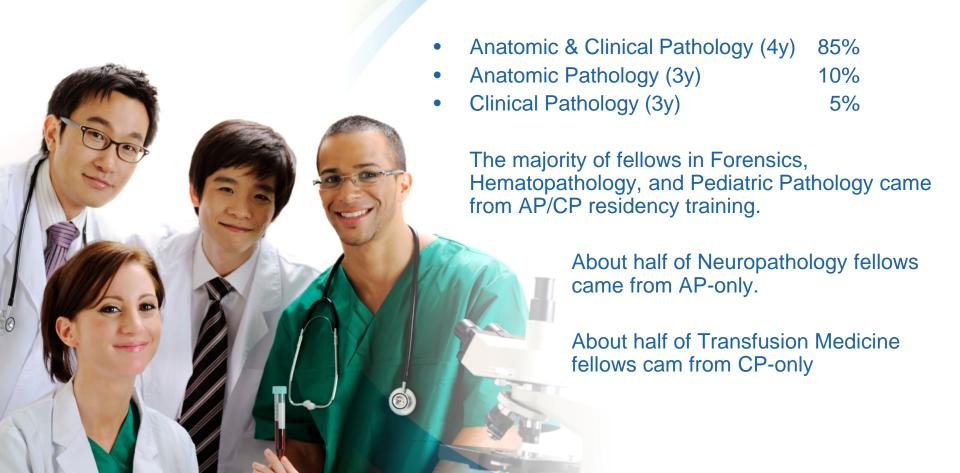
What is the Lifestyle for Pathologists?

- 49.2 hour work week vs. 55 hour average work week for all specialties
- Above average professional satisfaction (70%)
- Above average family satisfaction
- Average professional respect
- Below average stress

Pathology Residency Training Programs



Pathology Residency Training Programs



Pathology Resident Career Plans



Since 2006, the number of residents who pursue more training (apply for fellowships) immediately after residency has increased.

Pursue More Training	86.3%
 Academic Medicine 	5.6%
•Military	2.3%
 Non-clinical Research 	2.0%
Practice in the US	3.8%
•Group practice	61.9%
 In same state as training program 	47.6%
 In underserved area 	4.8%

Fellowship Experience After Residency



Why do residents pursue a fellowship?

- Enhancement of pathology skills
- Plan a career based on a fellowship specialty
- Enhance employability

Most residents finalize their fellowship plans during PGY-3

 Less than 10% decide on fellowship pathways in PGY-4.

Fellowship Experience After Residency



Over the past decade, there has been a trend towards multiple fellowships.

Number of Fellowships per resident

- 0 − 5%
- 1 60%
- 2 34%
- 3 1%

Fellowship Experience After Residency



Over the last five years, there has been in increase in both the number of applications submitted and the number of interview offers received.

How many Applications Submitted?

•	0	7%
•	1 to 3	41%
•	4 to 6	17%
•	7 to 10	14%
•	> 10	21%

How many Interviews?

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•	None	8%
•	1 to 3	60%
•	4 to 6	24%
•	7-10	6%
	>10	20/

Applying for Jobs Immediately After Residency



Only 139 PGY-3 and PGY-4 residents applied for a specific job in 2012.

Number of Jobs Applied for

• 1-3		68%
•	4-6	14%
•	7-10	6%
•	> 10	12%

Perception of where jobs are available

•	Community group practice	44%
•	Academic institutions	36%
•	Reference laboratories	4%
•	Government/military	4%
•	Other	10%

Applying for Jobs Immediately After Residency



42% of residents restricted their search for a job due to geography in 2012

	Spouse's	job	38%
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Other lifestyle/family issues 39%

Native to the area 20%

Professional contacts in area 3%

ASCP Fellowship & Job Market Survey 2012

Job-Hunting Experience Immediately After Residency





The amount of time it took to find a job varied by specialty.

Nearly one-half of all fellows found a job within 2 months.

The vast majority of fellows found a job within 6 months.

Except for rare cases, all fellows found a job within 1 year.



Job-hunting patterns vary depending on the training background and perceived competition by specialty

FORENSICS

Number of jobs formally applied for:

• 0	6%
•1-3	72%
•4-6	11%
•7-10	6%
•>10	6%
Number of job offere	

Number of job offers:

• 0	11%
•1	50%
•2	31%
•3 or more	9%





Job-hunting patterns vary depending on the training background and perceived competition by specialty

HEMATOPATHOLOGY

Number of jobs formally applied for:

• 0	15%
•1-3	27%
•4-6	15%
•7-10	12%
•>10	31%

Number of job offers:

• 0	31%
•1	37%
•2	20%
•3 or more	12%





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NEUROPATHOLOGY

Number of jobs formally applied for:

• 0	39%
•1-3	45%
•4-6	0%
•7-10	3%
•>10	12%
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Number of job offers:

• 0	48%
•1	39%
•2	12%
•3 or more	0%





Job-hunting patterns vary depending on the training background and perceived competition by specialty

TRANSFUSION MEDICINE

Number of jobs formally applied for:

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• 0	24%
•1-3	19%
•4-6	27%
•7-10	5%
•>10	24%
Number of job offers:	
• 0	30%
•1	38%

•3 or more

14%

19%





Job-hunting patterns vary depending on the training background and perceived competition by specialty

PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY

Number of jobs formally applied for:

• 0	29%
•1-3	29%
•4-6	12%
•7-10	12%
•>10	18%

Number of jobs formally applied for:

• 0	47%
•1	35%
•2	18%
•3 or more	0%



Pathology Specialties (Fellowship Training)



Subspecialty Certification in the US:

- Blood Banking/Transfusion Medicine
- Chemical Pathology
- Clinical Informatics
- Cytopathology
- Dermatopathology
- Forensic Pathology
- Hematology
- Medical Microbiology
- Molecular Genetic Pathology
- Neuropathology
- Pediatric Pathology

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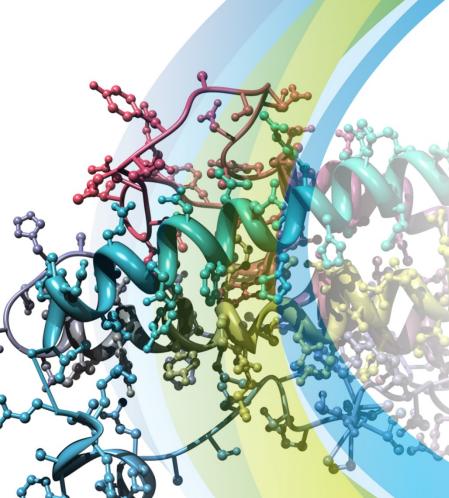
Other Subspecialties

- Cytogenetics
- Molecular Pathology
- Nuclear Medicine

Anatomic/Surgical Pathology Subspecialties

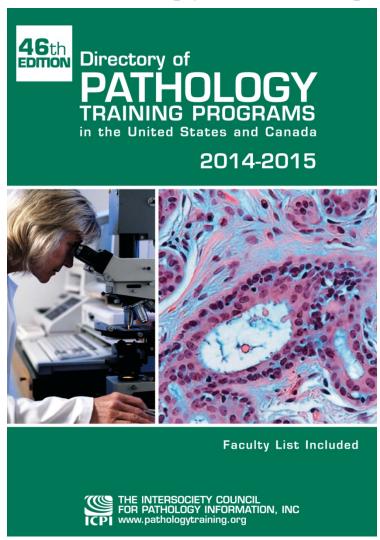
- Bone & Soft Tissue
- Cardiac
- Gastrointestinal/Hepatic
- Gynecologic
- Head & Neck
- Pulmonary

Current and Future Career Opportunities



- Every academic department in U.S.
 has a vacancy (130 medical schools;
 155 training programs)
- Pathology Departments have \$400 million in NIH research grants (Special Opportunities for Physician Scientists)
- Diagnostic Medicine: \$40 billion market, growth 5-7% yearly

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