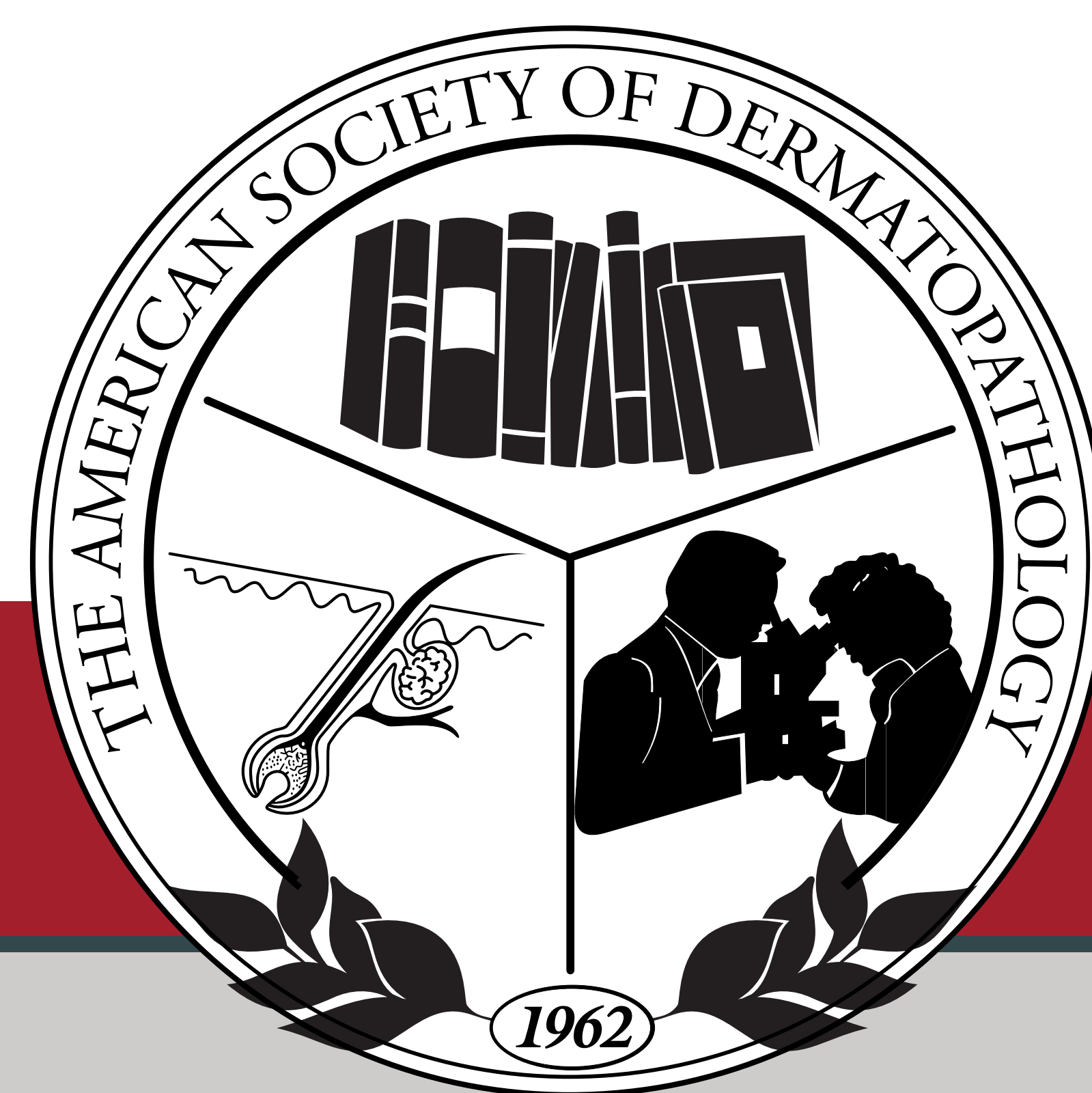


# The American Society of Dermatopathology



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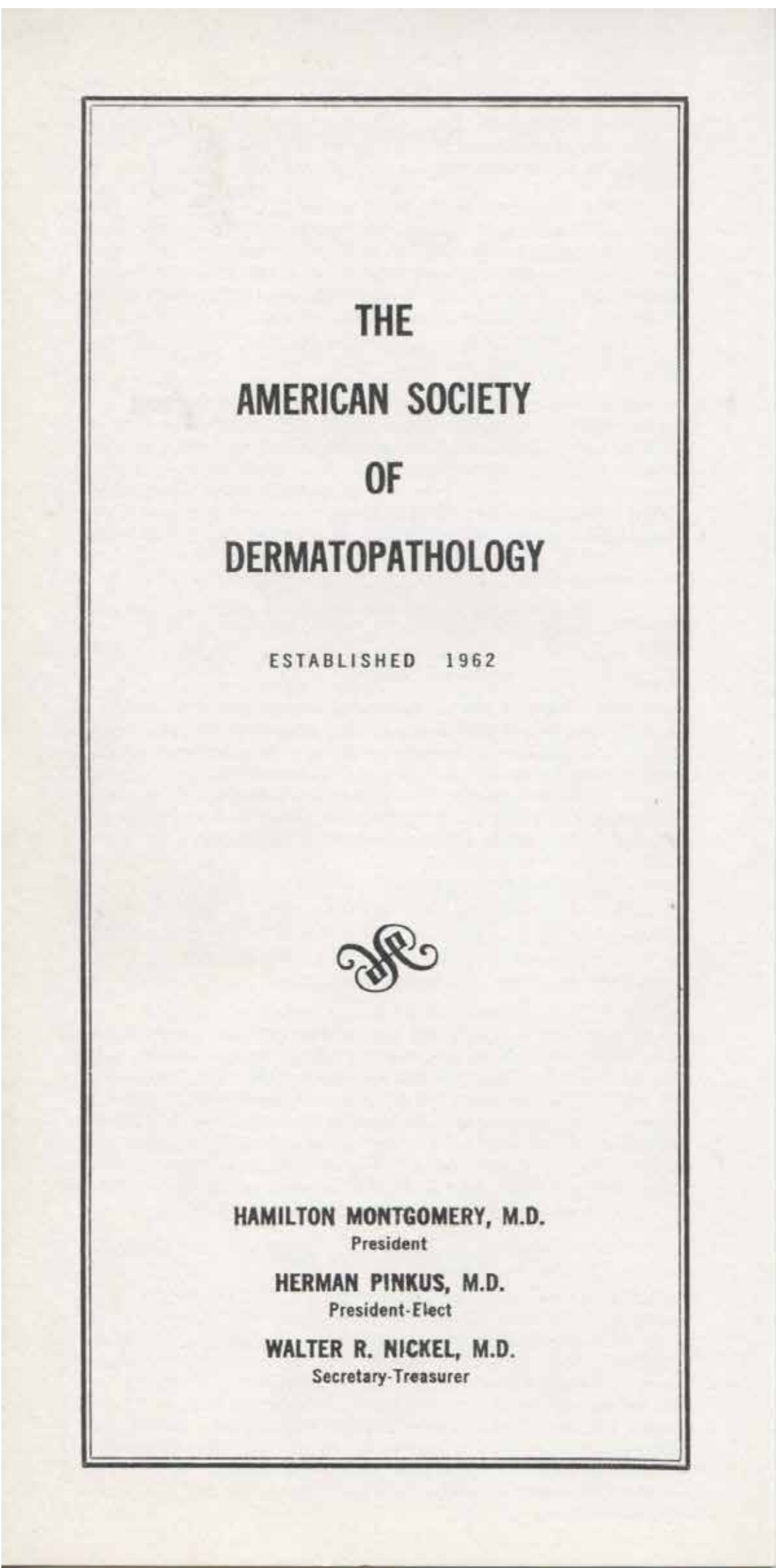
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## History Timeline



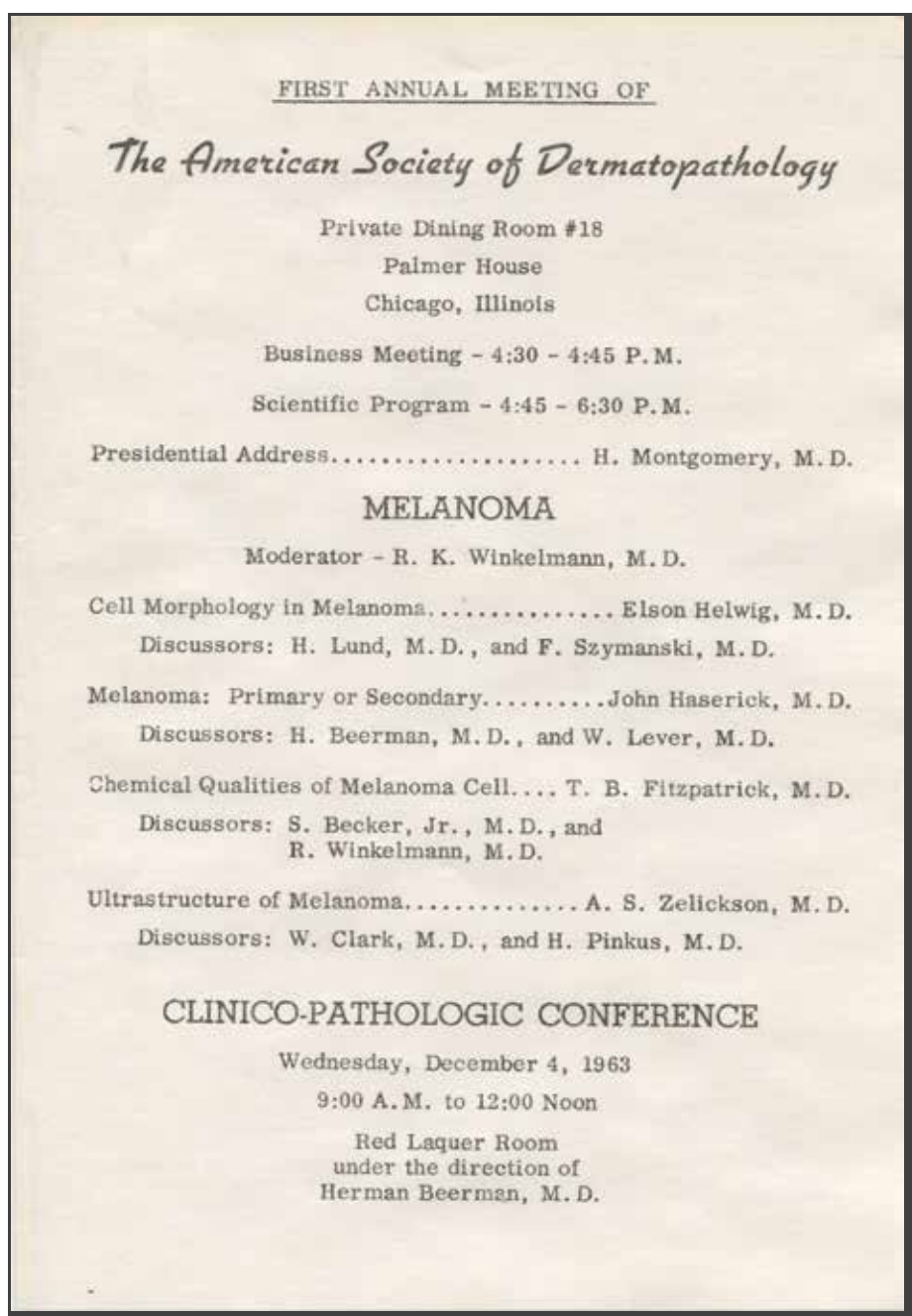
— 1962

On December 3, 1962, the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD) Committee on Pathology meets in the Red Lacquer Room of the Palmer House Hilton in Chicago to establish The American Society of Dermatopathology (ASDP). Hamilton Montgomery, MD, presides.



On December 4, 1962, The American Society of Dermatopathology (ASDP) holds its first official business meeting and approves the Constitution and Bylaws. Hamilton Montgomery, MD, is elected President, Hermann Pinkus, MD, becomes President-Elect and Walter R. Nickel, MD, is elected Secretary-Treasurer.

1963 —



On December 4, 1963, ASDP holds its first Annual Meeting, on Melanoma and a Clinico-Pathologic Conference.

ASDP's net worth reaches \$1,090. Membership reaches 58 charter members, including 12 founding members.



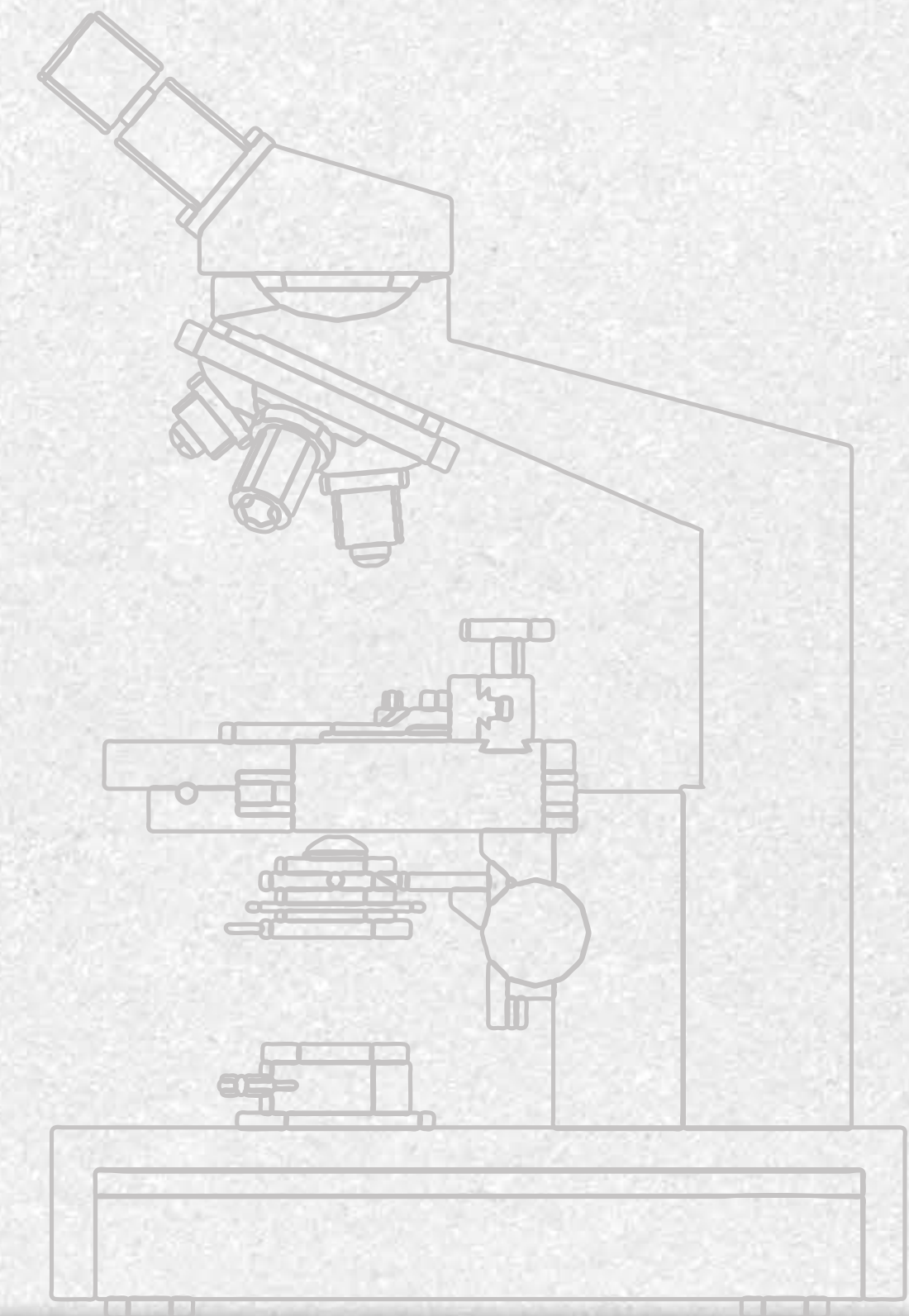
70 members



\$1,090 net worth



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones



### — 1964

ASDP holds its second Annual Meeting, on Epidermal Malignancy.

### 1972 —



200 members



\$7,700 net worth



33 abstracts submitted

ASDP's net worth reaches \$7,700. Membership exceeds 200 and membership dues are \$10 with a special assessment of \$10. Thirty-three abstracts are submitted for presentation at the 10th Annual Meeting.

### — 1973

ASDP joins the Intersociety Pathology Council (IPC).

### 1974 —



ASDP becomes incorporated as a tax-exempt organization in the state of California.

ASDP committees on Peer Review and Laboratory Proficiency Testing, Accreditation and Quality Assurance are added to the Society's roster of standing committees.

**“ In spite of all these opportunities for study of dermatopathology, there has been a long-felt need for a forum to ally general pathologists interested in advancing and teaching dermatopathology with dermatologists of the same inclination. A society of dermatopathology was formed to fill this need. ”**

– Herman Beerman, MD,  
Founding Member, 1974



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones

### — 1975

ASDP holds its first two-day annual meeting at the Hotel Del Coronado in California and becomes accredited by the AMA to provide continuing medical education. It's at this meeting that the first Self-Assessment Course is held under the direction of Walter R. Nickel, MD.

ASDP's Quality Control, Proficiency Testing and Laboratory Inspection program is launched under the directorship of James H. Graham, MD, and George Ioannides, MD.



### — 1976

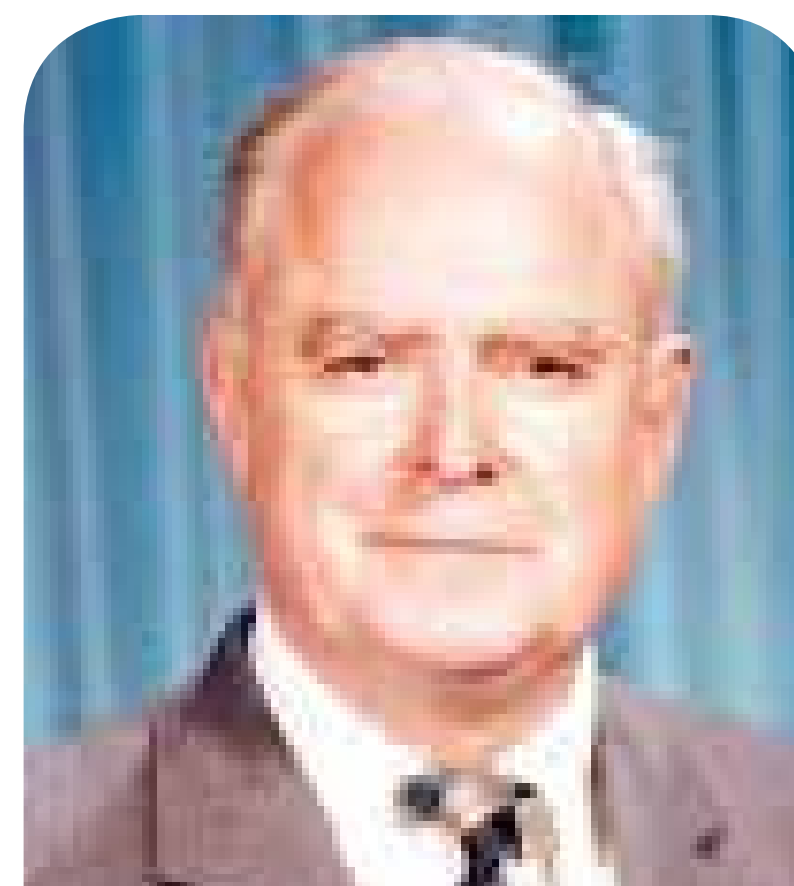
The first jointly sponsored IAP/ASDP dermatopathology session is held at the International Congress of Pathology.



### 1977 —

ASDP becomes an accredited provider of AAD CME for its annual meetings.

The first combined IAP/ASDP meeting is an afternoon session on Cutaneous Vasculitis organized by Richard K. Winkelmann, MD, and Robert G. Freeman, MD, in Toronto, Canada.



*Richard K.  
Winkelmann, MD*



*Robert G.  
Freeman, MD*



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones

### — 1980

ASDP's Founding Members are elevated to Honorary Members.

### 1982 —



515 members



\$77,000 net worth



53 abstracts submitted

ASDP's net worth reaches \$77,000. Membership reaches 515 and membership dues are \$50. Fifty-three abstracts are submitted for presentation at the 20th Annual Meeting.

### — 1983

The ASDP Founders' Award is established to honor the Founding Members of the Society. This award honors individuals who have made a significant contribution to the field, which is appreciated and recognized by dermatopathologists throughout the medical world. The first Founders' Award recipient is Elson B. Helwig, MD, in 1985.



*Elson B. Helwig, MD*

The ASDP Slide Reference Library is implemented and maintained by Arthur K. Balin, MD, PhD.



### 1984 —



ASDP adopts an official society logo.

**“The future of dermatopathology and The American Society of Dermatopathology has never been brighter. The opportunities and the potential are great.”**

– Robert G. Freeman, MD,  
President (1978-79) and  
Secretary-Treasurer (1975-77), in 1984



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones

— 1985



ASDP officially adopts the *Journal of Cutaneous Pathology* as its official peer-reviewed publication. Evan R. Farmer, MD, serves as the Society's first appointed chief editor.

— 1986

The ASDP Hermann Pinkus Memorial Lecture is established to honor the late Hermann Pinkus, MD, for his lifetime of scientific contributions to the field of dermatopathology.

1987 —

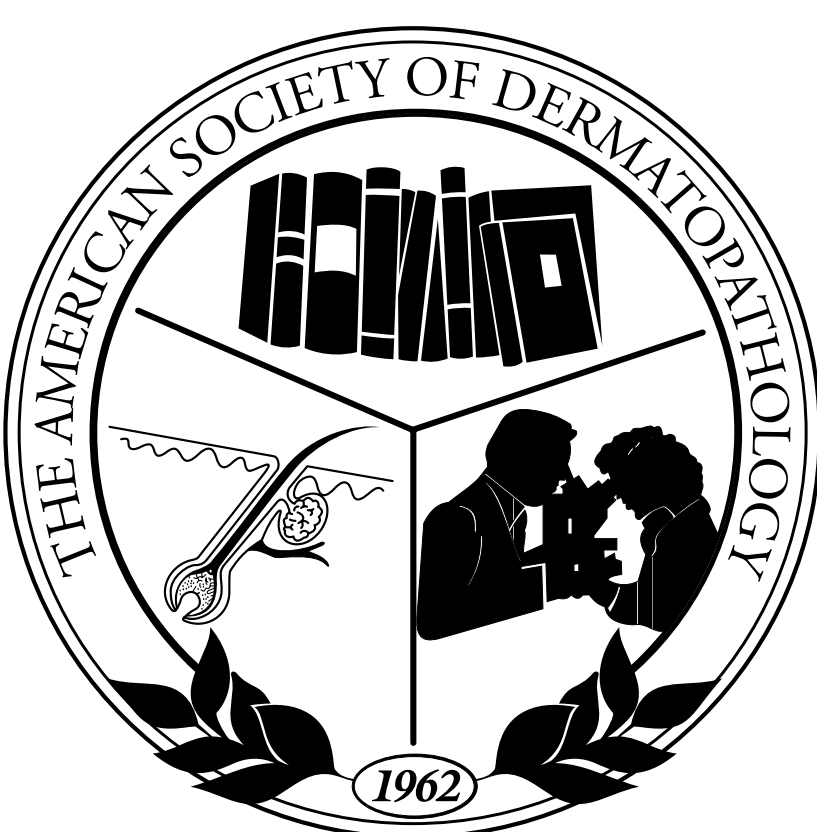
ASDP celebrates its 25th Anniversary.

— 1988

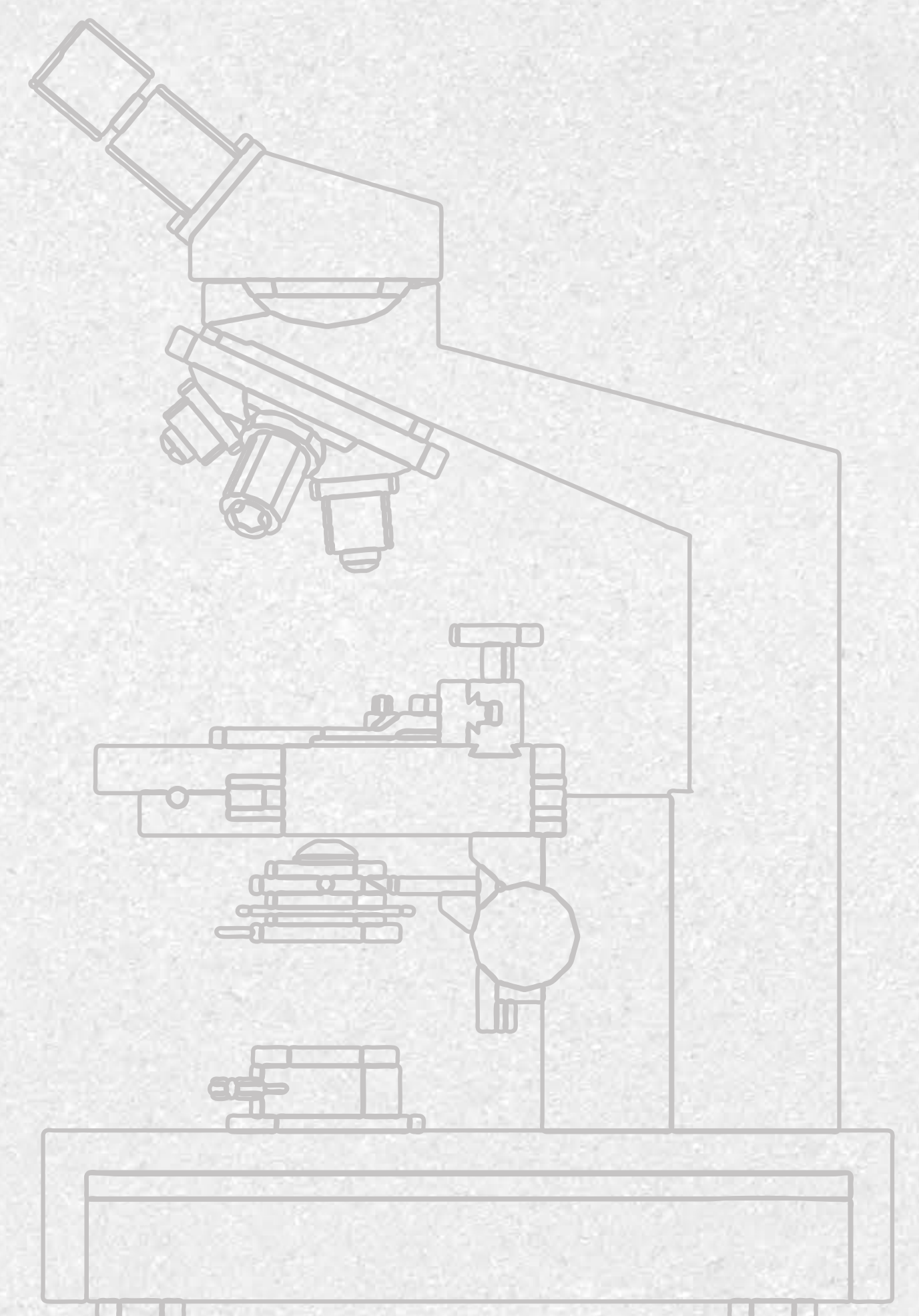
ASDP becomes a member of the International League of Dermatologic Societies (ILDS).



— 1989

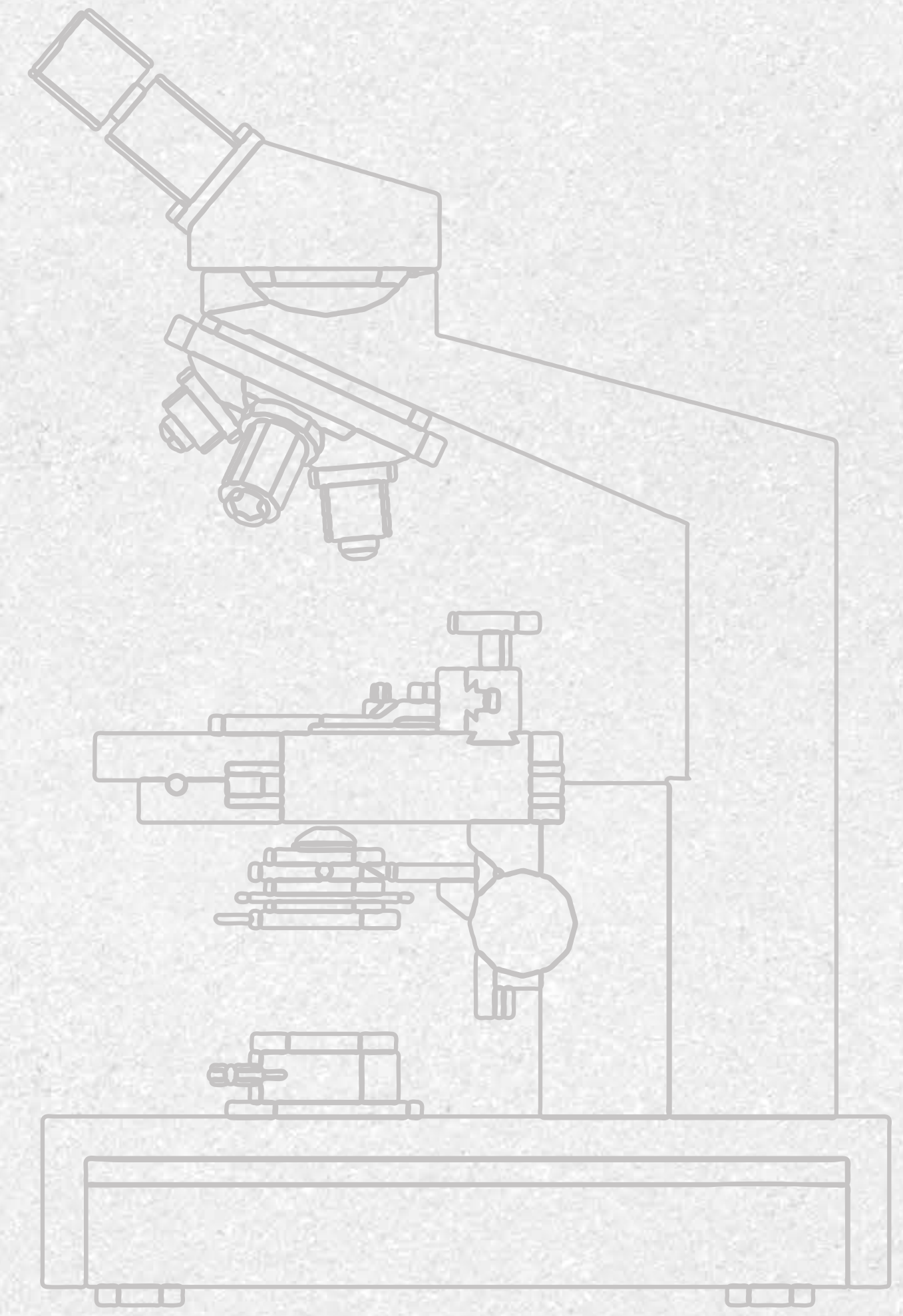


ASDP revises its original logo.





## Celebrating ASDP Milestones



### — 1992

ASDP's net worth reaches \$294,713. Membership reaches 900. Two hundred-four abstracts are submitted for presentation at the 30th Annual Meeting.



900 members



\$294,713 net worth



204 abstracts submitted

### 1995 —

The ASDP Walter R. Nickel Award is established to honor Walter R. Nickel, MD. This honor for Excellence in Teaching of Dermatopathology is awarded to individuals who have made great contributions to the teaching of dermatopathology. The first Nickel Award recipient is Elson B. Helwig, MD, in 1997.

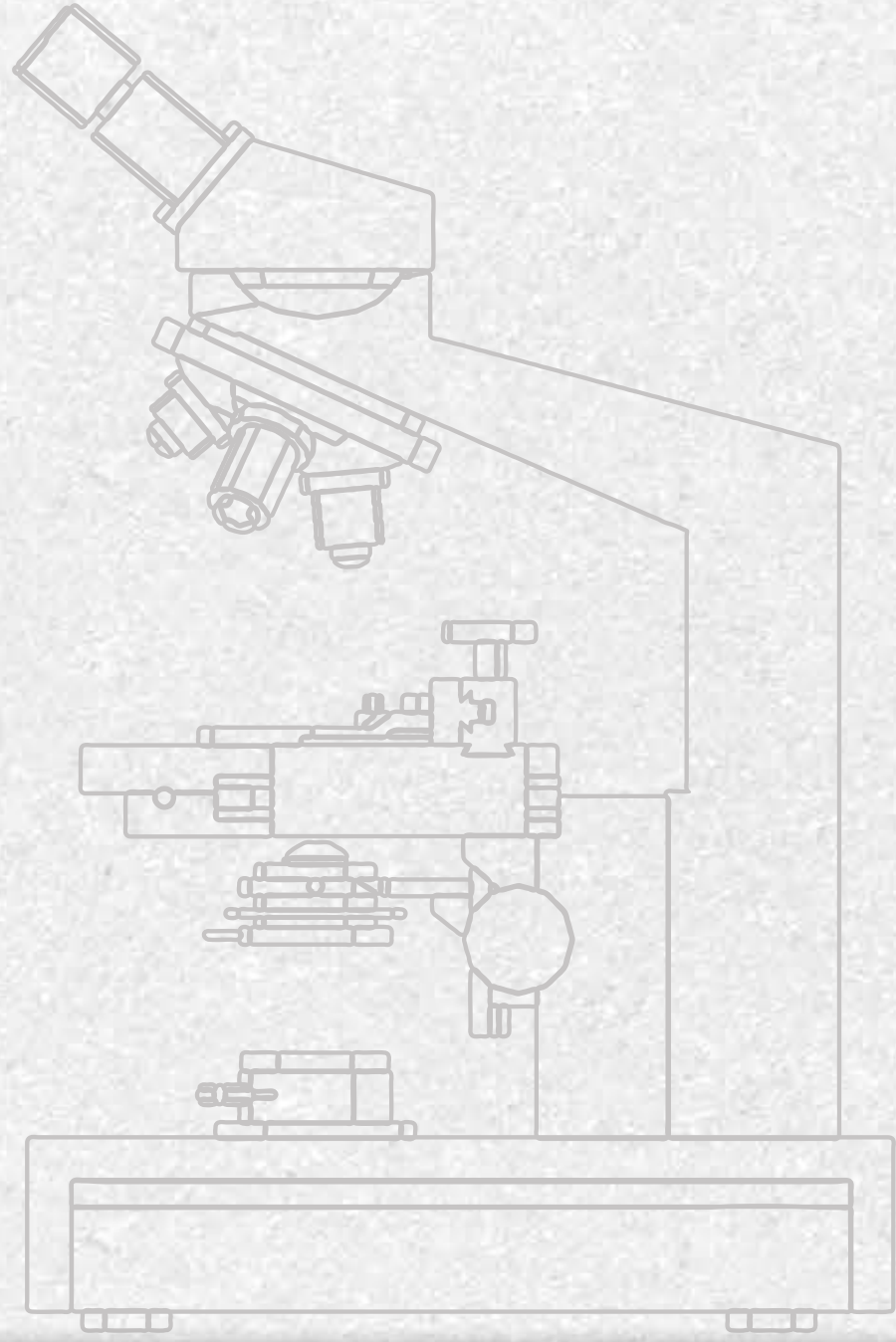
### — 1996

ASDP finds permanent headquarters when it contracts professional association management services with Dermatology Services Inc., a subsidiary of the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD).

The ASDP's first website is created under the directorship of Thomas J. Flotte, MD.



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones



1997 —



ASDP is officially represented at the World Congress of Dermatology in Australia by ASDP President William A. Caro, MD.

President (1996–1997)  
William A. Caro, MD

— 1998

ASDP officially decides to hold its annual meetings separately from the AAD.

2000 —

The Elson B. Helwig Memorial Lecture, previously the Special Lecture, is approved to honor the late Dr. Helwig and provide a clinically oriented annual lectureship. The first member to receive this honor is David Weedon, MD, FRCPA.

— 2002

ASDP's net worth reaches \$463,000. Membership reaches 983 and membership dues are \$250. Two hundred-fifteen abstracts are submitted for presentation at the 39th Annual Meeting.

ASDP moves its headquarters to the Sherwood Group, Inc., a full-service professional association management company located in Deerfield, IL.



983 members



\$463,000 net worth



215 abstracts submitted



### — 2005

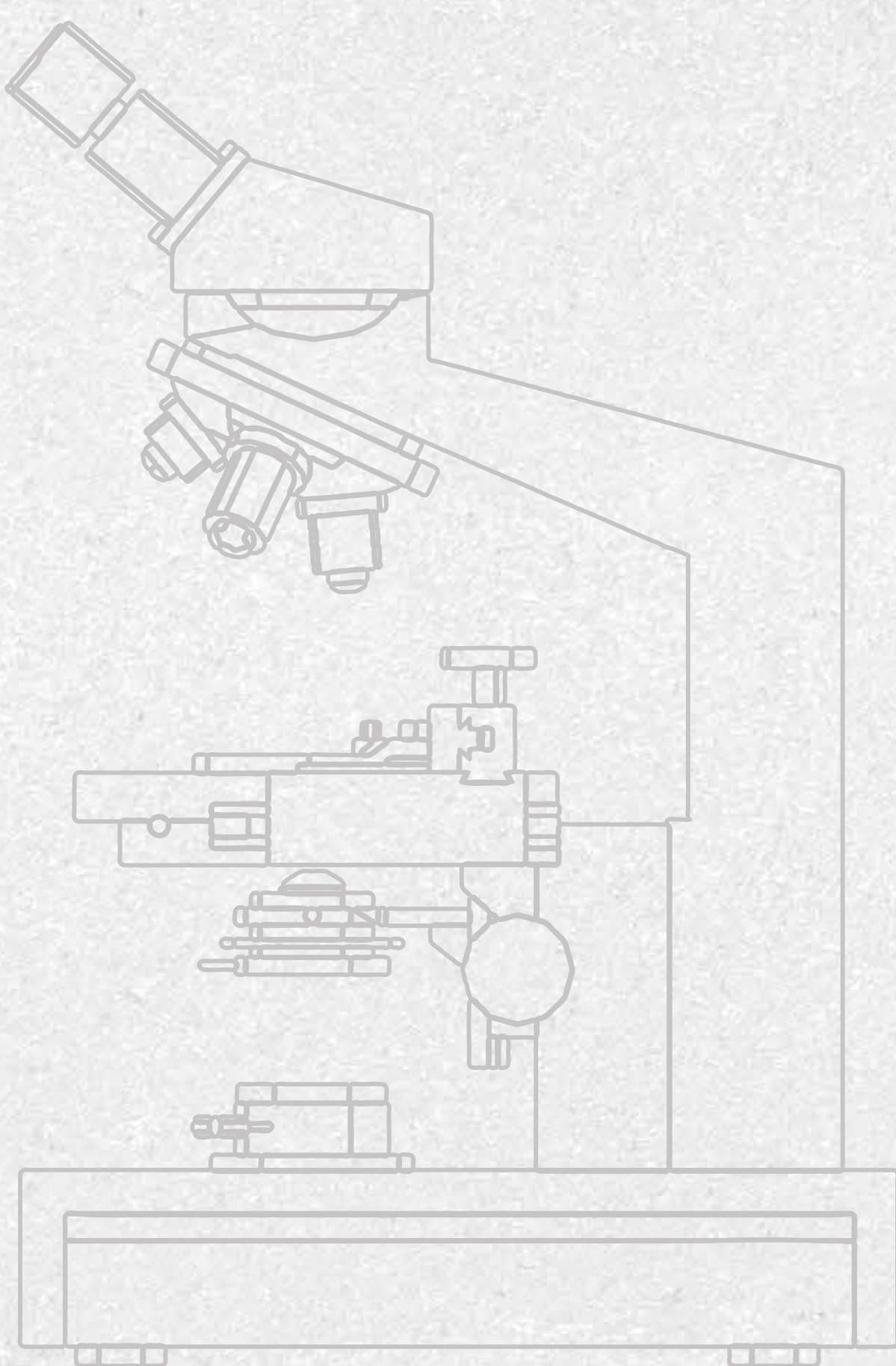
ASDP's Mentorship Awards in Dermatopathology program is implemented.



### — 2011




“Reflect expansively about our discipline and how we can honor it. And feel the joy and excitement, for we are about to turn 50!”

– Timothy H. McCalmont, MD,  
Editor-in-Chief,  
*Journal of Cutaneous  
Pathology*, 2011

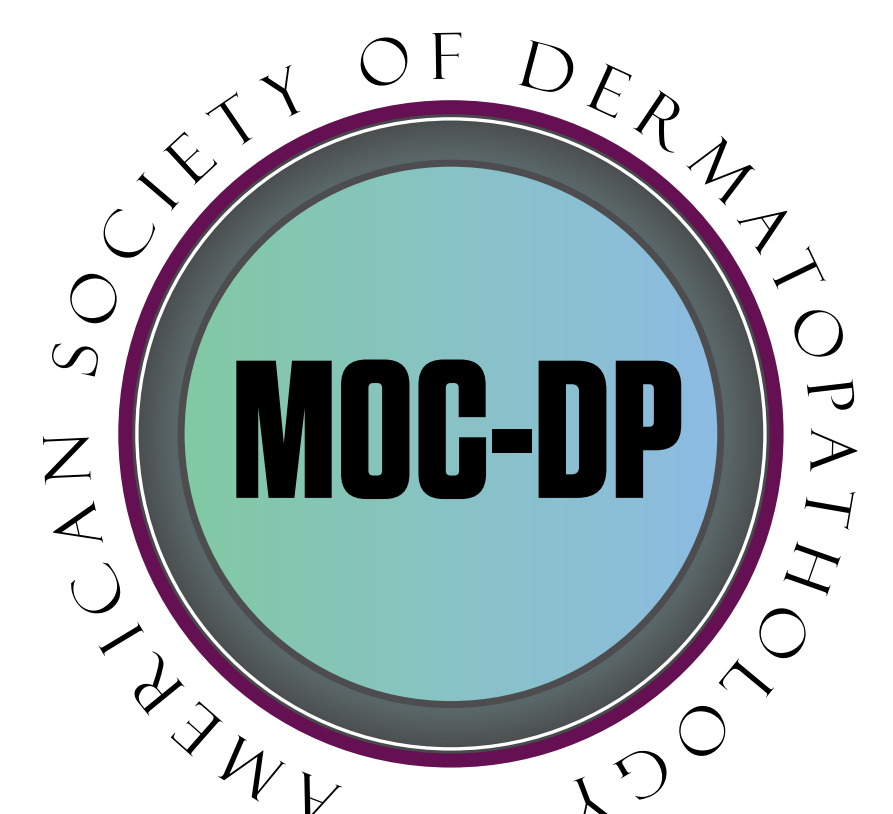


### 2012 —

ASDP turns 50! Net worth reaches \$1.5 million. Membership reaches 1,067 and membership dues are \$390. Four hundred seventy-five abstracts are submitted for presentation at the 49th Annual Meeting.

-  1,067 members
-  \$1.5 million net worth
-  475 abstracts submitted

ASDP launches its first online Maintenance of Certification in Dermatopathology (MOC-DP) self-assessment.



### The Society adopts a mission and vision statement.

**MISSION:** To improve the quality of lives by continually advancing the theory and practice of Dermatopathology.

**VISION:** Reduce the burden of skin disease by promoting an accurate and efficient Dermatopathologic diagnosis for everyone.



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones

— 2013



On January 1, 2013, ASDP launches its first Interactive Case Study of the Month.

In February, ASDP gains representation in the American Medical Association House of Delegates (AMA HOD) Specialty and Service Society (SSS).

ASDP joins social media.



2014 —

The Sherwood Group, Inc., ASDP's full-service professional association management company, is acquired by Kellen Company, and the office moves to Oakbrook Terrace, IL the following fall.

— 2015

On February 22, 2015, the ASDP Slide Library is moved to Yale University, and subsequently to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, as efforts to digitize and preserve the entire glass slide collection begin.

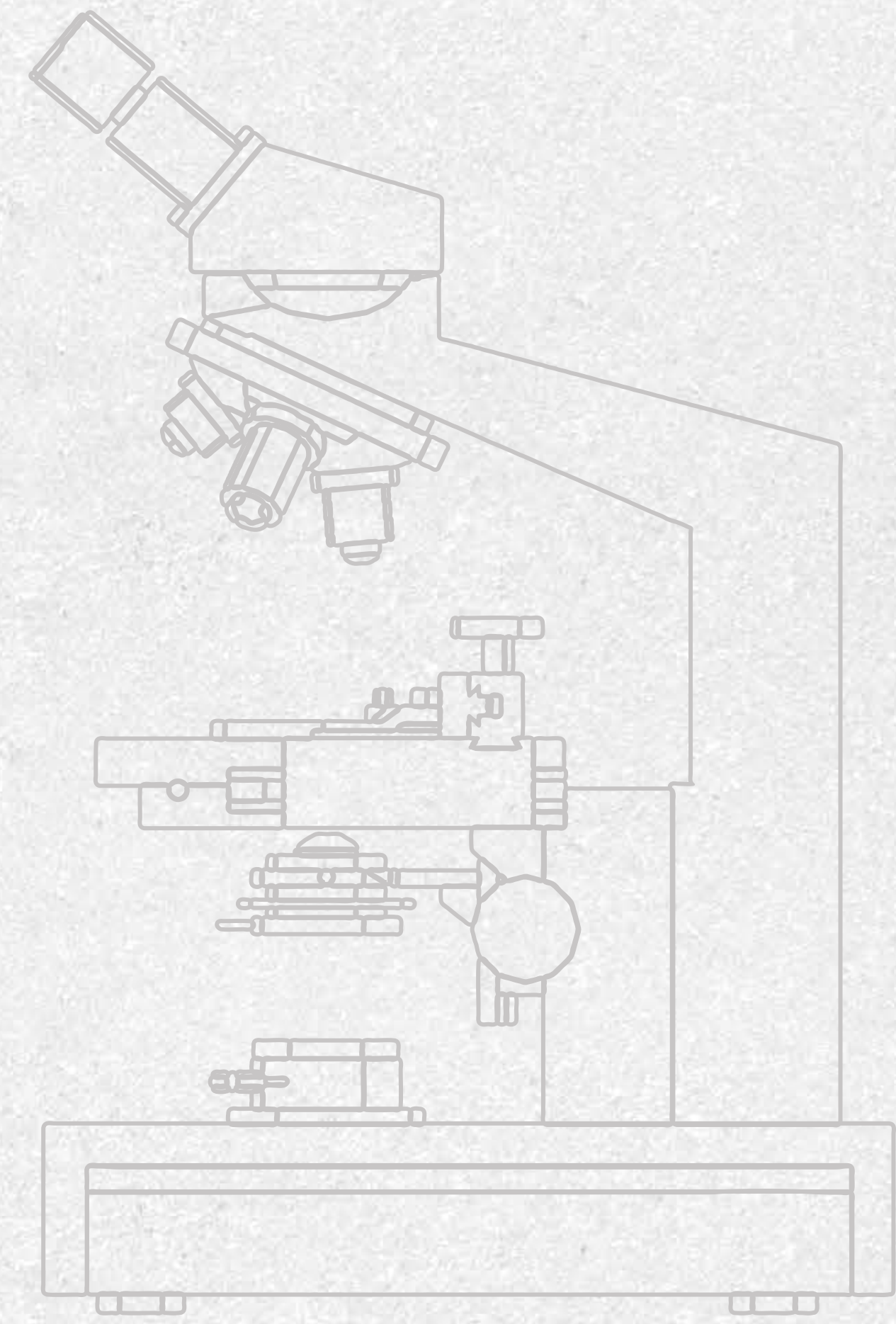




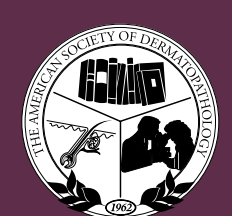
## Celebrating ASDP Milestones

— 2016

ASDP expands its advocacy efforts, gaining delegate representation at the American Medical Association (AMA) House of Delegates (HOD), and advisor status on the Relative Value Scale Update Committee (RUC) and Current Procedural Terminology® (CPT®) Committee.



2019 —



### The American Society of Dermatopathology Strategic Plan

#### Vision

To improve the quality of lives by advancing dermatopathology.

#### Mission

To improve patient care, support member needs and advance the field of dermatopathology through education, advocacy and innovation.



#### Advocacy

Advocate the value of dermatopathology.



#### Best Practices

Promote high quality, efficient care.



#### Communication

Enhance and develop various modalities of communication.



#### Education

Provide high-quality, multi-faceted dermatopathology education.



#### Governance

Be an inclusive, collaborative and transparent organization.



#### Member Engagement

Foster membership involvement to ensure strength of the ASDP.

Over the weekend of November 16-17, 2019, a group of ASDP leaders meets for a Strategic Planning Retreat, during which the current strategic plan is developed, and new mission and vision statements adopted.

**Mission:** The mission of the American Society of Dermatopathology (ASDP) is to improve patient care, support member needs and advance the field of dermatopathology through education, advocacy and innovation.

**Vision:** The vision of the ASDP is to improve the quality of lives by advancing dermatopathology.

— 2020

ASDP holds its Annual Meeting virtually for the first time, November 5-11, 2020, because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting is also entirely virtual the next year.



## Celebrating ASDP Milestones

### — 2021

On July 15, 2021, ASDP launches the Society Scope, the official newsletter of the Society.



### 2022 —

ASDP turns 60! Net worth reaches \$3.3 million. Membership reaches 1,346 and membership dues are \$480. Four hundred forty-six abstracts are submitted for presentation at the 59th Annual Meeting.

On June 29, 2022, ASDP holds its first Fellowship Forum Webinar for residents interested in dermatopathology fellowship.

ASDP holds its first hybrid meeting, the 59th Annual Meeting, October 20-23, 2022, with options of in-person and online-only attendance, and online-only optional programming.

In November 2022, ASDP releases the ASDP Dermpath AUC app, with appropriate use criteria developed by the ASDP AUC Committee, supporting a systematic approach to the use of ancillary tests for multiple conditions evaluated in dermatopathology.



1,346 members



\$3.3 million net worth



446 abstracts submitted



ASDP Dermpath AUC

The American Society of Dermatopathology

### — 2023

On January 1, 2023, ASDP separates from its former full-service professional association management company and becomes a self-managed, stand-alone organization.

