Empowering Our Future
2021 CAMPAIGN REPORT
Our mission is to improve people’s health by:

Developing tomorrow’s pathology leaders through awards for advanced training, research, and education.

Mobilizing pathologists to expand health equity in medically underserved communities within the US and globally.

**Our vision**

is to support all pathologists to be leaders in their communities and at the forefront of patient-centered care.

“I support the Empowering our Future campaign because the CAP Foundation has a long history of supporting young pathologists at the beginning of their careers, providing support to medically needy people, and championing the future of pathology practice.”

Paul Bachner, MD, FCAP

“I support the CAP Foundation because I want all women to have the opportunity to care for their health and the health of their children.”

Jessica L. Bentz, MD, FCAP
Since its founding in 1963, the CAP Foundation has worked tirelessly to support the continued advancement of pathology for the good of patient care. That aim has been achieved in different ways that have evolved over the years—from leadership and education opportunities for pathologists to direct community health support—but our resolve and steadfast dedication to our mission remain stronger than ever.

That’s why, in late 2020, we began developing a strategy to increase the CAP Foundation’s reach, impact, and longevity. Pathologists played a pivotal role in battling one of the greatest public health crises the world has ever faced with the COVID-19 pandemic and their monumental response was well noticed around the world.

As Bharati S. Jhaveri, MD, FCAP, campaign chair, said, “The CAP Foundation is faced with an opportunity to shape the future of pathology, but we cannot realize our vision without the help of pathologists, industry stakeholders, and other friends of the specialty.” And that’s exactly what we set out to do with the Empowering Our Future campaign, the largest fundraising effort in the CAP Foundation’s history.

Thanks to the shared vision and generosity of our individual donors and organizational partners, the CAP Foundation was able to surpass its initial goal of $2 million and raise over $2.3 million in 2021. This special effort will serve as a catalyst for sustainable growth and position the CAP Foundation to better support people’s health and guide the pathology profession into the future.

Learn more and watch exclusive video at foundation.cap.org/2021-campaign
The Foundation directly impacts patients’ lives, making a clear and strong connection between pathologists and patients. It is a privilege and honor to be able to support the effort.”

Raj C. Dash, MD, FCAP

For Pathologists

Aware of the issues facing the specialty and prepared to face them head-on, the CAP Foundation is committed to expanding opportunities in leadership development and global outreach. We’ve earmarked $1 million to grow and strengthen current offerings and build a more robust portfolio of opportunities. These funds will empower the next generation of pathologists within the US and globally.

Following the establishment of the Global Pathology Fund by Gerald R. Hanson, MD, FCAP, and the creation of the CAP Foundation’s Global Pathology Committee, we’ve built a solid start to further exploring and expanding our reach beyond the US. The funds from this campaign will help expand the Global Pathology Education Award that provides access to CAP education, provide opportunities for resident training, and improve diagnostics and laboratory medicine all over the world.

The CAP Foundation has already started expanding the reach of its Leadership Development and Medical Student Awards to provide more opportunities to a deserving and diverse group of early-career and soon-to-be pathologists. One of the best ways to empower the future of pathology is to place a winning bet on the bright minds who will lead the specialty of tomorrow.

Strengthening research funding is another priority for the future of the CAP Foundation. In 2020 and 2021, we offered the Rippey Grant for Expedited Research to investigating the impact of COVID-19-related tests. Looking forward, the CAP Foundation would like to strengthen the research capacity of member-led laboratories by offering additional research grants to address emerging areas of clinical concern that may help stave off future public health threats.

In addition to providing leadership opportunities to early-career pathologists, the CAP Foundation strives to increase access to specialized, advanced training for these members. Building from our training rotations for translational diagnostics, we are working to create new, advanced training rotations in the areas of digital pathology image analysis, in vivo microscopy, and artificial intelligence. The future’s pathology leaders will need the most up-to-date training and tools to provide the best care for their patients.

“Being a pathologist gave me an opportunity and means to live a fulfilling and exciting life. I hope, through our donations, others will be persuaded to choose this specialty that provides so many exciting prospects.”

Eva M. Wojcik, MD, FCAP, and Michael Brayne
For Patients

Each year, the CAP Foundation awards $150,000 in grants for its signature, national award-winning humanitarian program, See, Test & Treat®. In addition to connecting medically underserved women to free cervical and breast cancer screening, health education, same-day results, and follow-up care, these programs connect patients into their local health care system promoting regular preventative care.

At least $1 million dollars from the Empowering Our Future campaign will help this well-established, one-of-a-kind program continue to thrive and grow, carrying forward the legacy of Gene Herbek, MD, FCAP, the program founder.

These funds will help ensure program sustainability by optimizing the number of programs in a given year and allow the CAP Foundation to provide multi-year funding to host sites who want to make a long-term, sustainable commitment to community care.

We also want to reach even more new communities. The CAP Foundation does its best to include new sites in the dozen or more programs it funds each year, but we want to expand to new populations and communities to try to reduce health disparities wherever they are. These funds will help more pathologists see new patients who need essential preventive care.

Finally, these funds will increase the impact and reach of See, Test & Treat by allowing us to enhance the quality of See, Test & Treat health education as well as improve program efficiency.

Thanks to the hard work, dedication, and commitment of so many, the CAP Foundation will make these objectives a reality in the coming years. We’ve already started the work, and thanks to your support, we’ll continue to support pathologists and their patients well into the next decade.

“I have long admired the CAP Foundation for its wonderful programs. For this reason, I was an enthusiastic supporter of the Foundation's Empowering our Future campaign, to ensure the Foundation's continued track record of excellent service to the pathology community and those they serve. See, Test & Treat is just one example of these programs, helping to spotlight the importance of the pathologist in health care, and bring much needed preventive services to underserved communities. I wholeheartedly support this and the other Foundation programs, and was thrilled to be able to demonstrate that support through my contribution to the Empowering our Future campaign.”

Gail R. Janes, PhD
“The reach of the CAP Foundation is broad and impactful. As a resident, I was a recipient of a CAP Foundation Leadership Development Award, and that experience played a pivotal role in my path as a pathologist focused on population health and diversity, equity, and inclusion. See, Test & Treat provides invaluable services and access to health care to those most vulnerable and in need. Donating to the Foundation is a way to directly support current pathologists engaged in impactful work, our future pathologists, and underserved populations across the globe.”

Joanna Conant, MD, FCAP
“I’ve always been a big fan of the CAP Foundation. I recently decided to double my annual donation amount for two main reasons. First, I love that the Foundation is funding more medical students to attend the CAP annual meeting. This is so important for inspiring the next generation of pathologists and getting them interested in organized pathology. For me personally, early involvement in the CAP Residents Forum was a crucial springboard for later leadership roles and success in my career. Second, I want to honor the memory of my friend, Dr. Gene Herbek. Gene and Jean poured themselves into supporting the Foundation. The CAP Foundation mattered to Gene and Jean Herbek, so it matters to me.”

Jerad M. Gardner, MD, FCAP

“The CAP Foundation is truly for and about pathologists. Keeping in mind our ultimate goal of improving people’s health, the Foundation will continue to provide and fund programs that develop tomorrow’s pathology leaders and mobilize pathologists to expand health equity.

Through this campaign, we will strengthen our cornerstone programs while exploring new areas to support the profession.”

Bharati S. Jhaveri, MD, FCAP, Campaign Chair of the Fundraising Initiative

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“Over the years, as an instructor at the CAP’s Engaged Leadership Academy, I have seen pathologists blossom into stalwart representatives of our specialty. Knowing that, in the early career years after training, it is often difficult to pursue opportunities like the ELA, we established the August Family Award to help early career pathologists take advantage of this empowering experience.”

CAP Foundation President Carey August, MD, FCAP, and Brett August
“Hologic is honored to serve as the industry co-chair of the Empowering Our Future campaign and continue supporting the CAP Foundation in its mission to improve people’s health.

In alignment with the Foundation, we are committed to providing women with preventative health care and understand the need to embolden pathologists who oversee testing that make those preventative screenings possible.

Our partnership with the CAP Foundation is representative of Hologic's purpose to empower people to live healthier lives everywhere, every day. We look forward to continued collaboration to help pathologists help their patients.”

Tyler Park, Global Marketing Director of Hologic and Campaign Industry Chair
“The CAP Foundation’s See, Test & Treat program has, for over a decade, provided needed screening services to women with an atmosphere of kindness, caring, and respect. Each one we attend reinforces the depth of respect that suffuses the event. Each program develops trust, provides education, and furnishes diagnostic certainty to these wonderful folks.”

Timothy C. Allen, MD, FCAP, and Francine Allen

“The CAP Foundation works for the underserved. My family is proud to support this noble cause.”

Megha Govind Joshi, MD, FCAP and Phil Scarff