Dear DLMP Trainees,

It is our honor to announce the application for the **Dr. Zsolt Argenyi research award** in the Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology (DLMP).

This award includes funds donated by professor emeritus Zsolt Argenyi MD, who retired June 2023 after a long career at the University of Washington. Dr. Argenyi had a lifelong passion for encouraging meaningful investigative work by trainees and supporting careers in academics. Awards made from this fund are intended to enable residents in their early years of training to pursue dermatopathology related research that will hopefully facilitate careers in academic dermatopathology.

Successful candidates for this award will be current DLMP resident trainees (MD/DO). The topic of the intended research should be focused on dermatopathology or disciplines with relevance to dermatopathology such as oral pathology, gynecopathology, soft tissue pathology, etc.

Potential uses of the fund include:

- a) access to research equipment, reagents, data analysis, research personnel support and other professional advisory services necessary for the successful completion of a research project.
- b) financial aid to present at national or international conferences, meetings and seminars.
- c) costs related to preparation, reproduction or presentation of materials, papers, posters, or books.

Funds should not be used for: equipment, consultant travel, tuition, subawards, indirect costs.

Interested applicants are asked to provide the following:

- 1) Self-nomination statement (one paragraph maximum)
- 2) Research proposal (2 pages maximum, no smaller than 10 point), organized into the following five sections:
 - a. BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE. Provide sufficient background and scientific rationale to support your proposal. Briefly describe the previous data (published or unpublished) and/or rationale leading you to propose your hypothesis.
 - b. HYPOTHESIS. Provide a specific hypothesis you will test or the specific objective you are attempting to reach within the project period.
 - c. EXPERIMENTAL PLAN. Describe the experimental approaches that you will perform over the project period (typically 6 months to 1 year) to test the stated hypothesis. Please also address whether regulatory approvals (EHS, IRB, IACUC, etc.) are in place for the proposed studies or that they will be obtained for new projects if approved for funding.
 - d. BRIEF BUDGET JUSTIFICATION.
 - e. LITERATURE CITED.
- 3) Faculty mentor nomination brief letter of support.
- 4) Current curriculum vitae.

Applications will be judged according to current NIH criteria, which can be reviewed at

https://www.niaid.nih.gov/research/review-criteria, in addition to the following:

- 1. Importance of the Research
- 2. Feasibility and Rigor of the Proposed Research
- 3. Relevance of the Research to Dermatopathology

The award recipient will receive a monetary award and/or professional development funds (which may vary in a given year) up to a maximum of \$10,000. Funds are to be used within a one-year period. Awardees will be asked to present their work at Pathology Grand Round Rounds.

The application materials should be directed to Tho Bui (thob@@uw.edu), who will assemble and provide applications for review to the Award Committee. The letter of support should be submitted by the faculty member directly to Tho Bui (thob@@uw.edu).

The application deadline is **December 1, 2025**, with a decision expected on/near December 15, 2025. The date of the presentation of the research data is to be determined.

For questions about the award, please reach out the Michi Shinohara mshinoha@uw.edu.

Sincerely,

Argenyi Research Award Committee Michi Shinohara, MD (chair) Oliver Chang MD Evan George MD Josiah Hanson MD