

I am formally expressing my interest in running for Open Seat 2 on the USASP Board of Directors.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) are core values that motivate and shape my scholarship, teaching, and service. In my research, I take a diversity science approach to study mechanisms of pain disparities. Specifically, my research team and I investigate the impact of social marginalization on subjective experiences and sensory processes of pain.

I was a member of the USASP organizing committee and held leadership positions in the Pain and Disparities SIG and Early Career Advisory Board in the former APS. Currently, I am a member of the Anti-racism Coalition in Pain Research (ACTION-PR) and have collaborated on efforts to improve DEI and justice in pain research. I am committed to these efforts and will bring this focus to my contribution to the board.

I would be honored to serve in this role to contribute to and support the missions and future directions of USASP. In addition to DEI efforts, I would be happy to work with the education and professional development committee. Among the many things I value about this intellectual community is the generosity of mentorship, experience, and expertise across career stages and disciplines.