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Dr. Zaibo Li earned his medical degree from Beijing Medical University and went on to complete both his Ph.D. and MBA at the University of Rochester. Following this, he pursued his pathology residency and specialized fellowships in Cytopathology and Breast/Gynecologic Pathology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

Currently, Dr. Li serves as a Professor of Pathology, Director of Cytopathology, and Associate Director of Digital and Computational Pathology at The Ohio State University. He is also an Endowed University Pathology Services Professor. His professional focus includes breast and gynecologic pathology, cytopathology, and digital pathology. Over his career, Dr. Li has published more than 180 scientific articles and contributed to many book chapters. He has served as a section or associate editor and as a member of editorial boards for several pathology-related scientific journals. Additionally, Dr. Li holds leadership positions on the Executive Board of the American Society for Cytopathology (ASC) and the Board of Directors for the Digital Pathology Association (DPA), while actively participating in many other national society committees.

CAPA played significant roles in Dr Li's career development. He has been a dedicated lifetime member of the Chinese American Pathologists Association (CAPA), a commitment that began during his residency. He has served on the CAPA Board of Directors (two years) and the Executive Committee (three years), as Chair of the Finance Committee (three years), and as a member of committees such as the Education Committee, Awards Committee, and Annual Diagnostic Course Organizing Committee. Dr. Li has been instrumental in applying and organizing CAPA Companion Meetings at ASC and USCAP annual meetings, as well as coordinating CAPA's Annual Diagnostic Courses and Business Meetings. His contributions have been recognized with several honors, including the 2023 CAPA President Award, the Member of the Year Award, and the Teaching Excellence Award.

Dr. Li views CAPA as a unique and vital organization, and he remains deeply committed to its mission. He aims to address members' professional needs, foster career development, and enhance collaboration within the community. Leveraging his expertise in digital pathology, Dr. Li plans to promote educational initiatives using whole slide imaging and support the adoption of digital pathology for clinical practice. He also intends to advance ACGME activities for trainees, drawing on his extensive experience as Associate Director of the pathology residency program and Cytopathology Fellowship Director at OSU. Through these efforts, Dr. Li seeks to propel CAPA to new heights nationally and internationally by serving as the CAPA President, which offers an exciting prospect to synergize with esteemed colleagues, exchange ideas, spur innovation, and effect positive transformations in the field of pathology.