

The Cytopathology WG has participated to the 29th European Congress of Pathology, in Belgrade, with five sessions, **Sunday, September 3rd, 2017 and Wednesday September 6th** namely:

Sunday, September 3rd

A/ Cytopathology/ Innovative Techniques working groups JOINT Long Symposium : telepathology devoted to telecytology

Chairs : Klaus Kayser (Germany) Klaus.Kayser@charite.de, Fernando Schmitt (Portugal) fschmitt@ipatimup.pt

- 1/ Fernando Schmitt : introduction
- 2/ Klaus Kayser : specificity of virtual cytology in daily practice
- 3/ Oscar Lin (USA) : telecytology for rapid-on-site assessment
- 4/ Oscar Lin (USA) : telecytology for second opinion (teleconsultation)
- 5/ Essam Ayad (Egypt): cytology consultation with associated image quality evaluation and image measurements
- 6/ Umit Ince (Turkey): operational issues when running a telecytology service
- 7/ Speakers panel and audience round table.

B/ Joint slide seminar cytopathology and trainees: Fine-needle aspiration cytology of deep organs: junior/senior challenging cases

Chairs: Aleksandra Starzynska (Poland) alex.starzynska@gmail.com ; Beatrix Cochand-Priollet (France) beatrix.cochand-priollet@aphp.fr ; Philippe Vielh (France) Philippe.VIELH@Ins.etat.lu

Speakers:

Damiano Arciulo and Esther Diana Rossi (Italy)
Rui Caetano Oliveira and Fernando Schmitt (Portugal)
Céline Melis and Claire Bourgain (Belgium)
Damjana Cimerman and Margareta Strojjan-Flezar (Slovenia)
Pawel Pihowicz and Philippe Vielh (Poland/France)

C/ Symposium: Effusions from morphology to proteomics

Chairs: Ambrogio Fassina (Italy) ambrogio.fassina@unipd.it; Pinar Firat (Turkey) pfirat@gmail.com

Speakers:

- 1) Ambrogio Fassina: the morphological criteria of the malignant mesothelioma: the 2015 European diagnostic protocol for reproducibility)
- 2) Katalin Dobra (Sweden): follow-up of the guidelines of cytological diagnosis of malignant mesothelioma with ancillary methods
- 3) Pinar Firat (Turkey): differential diagnosis in effusions
- 4) Ben Davidson (Norway): multidrug resistance and gene expression in ovarian cancer
- 5) Marc Reymond (Germany): new approach to the intraperitoneal therapy of ovarian cancer-the oncocologist point of view
- 6) Ambrogio Fassina (Italy) the future for the effusions
- 7) Speakers panel and audience round table

Wednesday, September 6th

1/ Oral Free Papers session:

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2/ Poster session:

Chairs: Christina Kåbjörn Gustafsson (Sweden) christina.kabjorn@vgregion.se; Beatrix Cochand-Priollet (France) beatrix.cochand-priollet@aphp.fr

Comments:

The programme at the ESP congress for the WG cytopathology differed completely in concept and achievement from the Köln programme; this time some difficult - not vast public devoted themes were chosen for the two symposiums : the first concerned telecytology which is often considered as a potential technique for the future but which is already a technique applied routinely in some countries and in some labs in Europe as well as in the USA; at the end of the meeting I guess that most of the participants were convinced; the second one concerned the effusions and the diagnosis of the malignant mesothelioma with the recent 2015 guidelines; the organizers of this symposium offered a wide overview of this, including the morphology as well as the essential immunocytochemistry, the mutational profile and the targeted therapies answering with this last presentation to the congress 2017 objective which was “the patient care”

Our joint meeting with the residents committee offered the opportunity of a new and original type of slide seminar since, for each topic, (deep organs FNA) a pair presentations were proposed with one junior coached by a senior cytopathologist; all the speakers have delighted these challenging presentations. we were very pleased to hear that the residents would appreciate to do some other duet presentations in the future

The oral free papers session included twelve presentations of high scientific levels on very various topics; 44 posters were available; 5 of them were selected for the best poster selection and the winner was Daja Šekoranja, daja.sekoranja@gmail.com (chief Alenka Repše Fokter) from Slovenia.

Beatrix Cochand-Priollet, Cytopathology WG chair.