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Message from the President of the ESP

(By Prof. Holger Moch)



Dear ESP Members, Dear Colleagues

In a few weeks, the joint 32nd Congress of the European Society of Pathology and XXXIII Congress of the International Academy of Pathology will start.

Even as a virtual event, the congress will provide an exciting educational programme for pathologists and scientists. Unfortunately, a virtual environment does not compensate for live meetings, but the congress offers many interactive sessions and webinars making the upcoming Congress an extraordinary ESP event. We have already more than 4000 registered pathologists and we do hope that this number will raise. In the current situation, the Executive Committee of ESP is more than happy with the August 2020 decision to transform the conference into a virtual congress.

I am aware that many of you are now confronted with consequences of the “second wave” of COVID-19 in the UK and most other European countries. Many researchers have warned their governments in the last months that an effective test, trace, and isolating system should be implemented to slow down the second wave of COVID-19. Recently, I have read with great interest reports from the 1918/19 influenza A pandemic called «Spanish Flu». The highly fatal second wave of 1918 pandemic influenza spread globally from September to November 1918. In

1918/19, there was a travel ban in many Swiss cities, frequently carried through by churchmans of small villages. After the first wave in July 1918, people started to meet and to celebrate and forced politicians to loosen the travel ban. At that time, Swiss researchers argued that this was the reason that the second wave during October to December 1918 was more than twice as bad as the first. These reports from 100 years ago suggest that our continued vigilance against infections must not only include a “research”-driven focus but also include public outreach and awareness campaigns that increase the general understanding of the pathophysiology of a pandemic virus.

Although the cause of influenza was disputed in 1918, classic histopathologic studies of influenza autopsies have clarified the changes characteristic of severe influenza viral pneumonia as a main cause of death in almost all cases. In our Department of Pathology, complete autopsy reports were available from 411 patients, who died from the “Spanish” influenza A pandemic from May 1918 to April 1919. In Zürich, von Meyenburg who described the von Meyenburg complex in the liver carried out 96 Influenza A autopsies. Fanconi who is known for Fanconi anaemia personally performed 106 influenza A autopsies. In the US, Goodpasture described the Influenza A-induced pathology of small- and medium-sized bronchioles in 1919.

Similar to the influenza A pandemic in 1918/19, the new Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has spread globally. Complete COVID-19 autopsy studies were almost non-existent in the first months of the outbreak and are still rare with respect to the number of deaths. Meanwhile, mainly European pathologists have published autopsy results with pathological findings of COVID-19 and

you can find many of these reports on our ESP website [here](#). This collection is an extraordinary demonstration of the importance of our discipline in the description of novel diseases. Despite strong hopes for a vaccine, we have to live now with COVID-19, and the way back to normality will be long. It is crucial that more pathology studies are performed on autopsies of victims with COVID-19 infections. Careful analysis of the histopathological changes of infection coupled with molecular genetic, virologic, and immunologic analyses will contribute to our understanding of the variable pathogenesis.

Other Business

There were two ESP webinars on «Urogenital Pathology» and «Gastrointestinal Pathology», attended by more than 300 people each. There will be another ESP Pathology Progress Test in the near future.

Finally, I would like to personally congratulate all pathologists and collaborators in the field of pathology on the International Pathology Day (Wednesday 11th November).

Whether your accomplishments are in practice, education, research or health advocacy, you share the same passion and dedication that makes such a great difference in the lives of our patients.

Don't forget to register for the Virtual ESP/IAP Congress 2020 [here](#) and to be part of the virtual General Assembly (Tuesday, 8th December 2020 at 20.15 – 21.45 CET).

Stay well and see you virtually next month!

All the best,

Holger Moch, MD
President of the European Society of Pathology

Editor's Message

(By Prof. Marina Kos)



I was just reading the Newsletter from Autumn 2019, the messages and reports radiating satisfaction after the successful Congress in Nice and anticipating the next one in Glasgow.

Who could have expected such a cruel twist of situation? Unfortunately, the epidemiologic situation has forced us, and the whole world to embrace technological possibilities and use them to our advance. Except for many online activities since the beginning of COVID-19 pandemic, like COVID-19 dedicated webinars, and webinars with other topics (one of them about intestinal and pancreatic pathology was just held in September), we also had to adjust to meetings online. The organisers of the Glasgow Congress had to make an enormous effort to completely change the duration and concept of the Congress in these unprecedented circumstances. This issue of the newsletter is firstly dedicated to preparations of the online Congress, from the point of view of the ESP President, Prof. Holger Moch. The ESP Secretary Prof. Aurelio Ariza has an important announcement for ESP members. The residents have also been imaginative and busy preparing their session at the Congress and will inform you about how the situation has affected their efforts. There is also the message from Prof. Aleš Ryška, the President Elect of the ESP about the Colorectal ESP EQA.

We shouldn't forget that November is our month, the Pathology month. Since 2014, days in the middle of November have been accepted as International Pathology Days and marked in many countries by organising "Pathology and Public" manifestations. In

many countries, national societies and members of the ESP promoted pathology in the media. People had the opportunity to visit pathology laboratories, to see how we work, how important our work is and how pathologists contribute to the diagnosis and treatment of patients. The ESP Task Force presided for many years by Prof. Sanja Milenković from Serbia contributed a lot of fresh ideas. Interesting posters were presented every year with slogans promoting pathology. This year, unfortunately, we are all focused on COVID-19 pandemic and our Pathology days seem to be less important. But, in spite of everything, in these difficult times and not for the first time in the history of medicine, pathology emerges as very important. Discoveries made by autopsies of COVID-19 infected patients gave us insight into the effects of this new and still not enough understood virus. The Royal College of Pathologists still organised International Pathology Day 2020 Virtual Meeting on the 11th November.

And last, but not least, you probably noticed another photo and name beside the Editor's message. At the General Assembly in Nice, I was elected a member of the ESP Council, and I accepted the position of the Newsletter Editor. After Prof. Gordan Vujanić has been very successful editor for years, it will be a difficult task, but I will do my best. The Associate Editor became Prof. Karoline Lackner from Austria, replacing Prof. Metka Volavšek from Slovenia. This way I thank both Prof. Vujanić and Prof. Volavšek for the excellent job they did for years and for "paving the way" for us, their successors.

I think we are all impatiently waiting for the Glasgow Congress online and wishing the organisers all the best!

Prof. Marina Kos

Secretary's Message

(By Prof. Aurelio Ariza)

Call for Nominations for Council Members



The European Society of Pathology would like to invite you to participate in the nominations for new Council members.

The present regular members of the ESP Council are:

- Prof. Ronald de Krijger (The Netherlands)
- Prof. Irene Esposito (Germany)
- Prof. Anastasia Konstantinidou (Greece)
- Prof. Marina Kos (Croatia)
- Prof. Karoline Lackner (Austria)
- Prof. Glenn McCluggage (UK)
- Prof. José Palacios (Spain)
- Prof. Gitta Turowski (Norway)

At the ESP General Assembly in Gothenburg in September 2021 the following two regular members of the Council will demit office upon completion of their 4-year term as councilors:

- Prof. Anastasia Konstantinidou (Greece)
- Prof. Glenn McCluggage (UK)

According to the ESP Statutes and Bylaws, nominations for Council members will be sought from a variety of sources, including the President, the Council, the Advisory Board, and the membership at large.

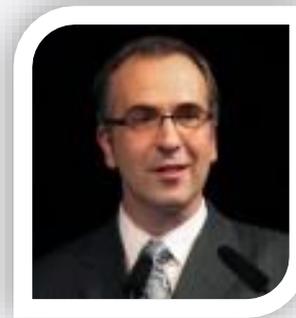
In agreement with this, Society members are now invited to make nominations for the two new Council members.

Please, pay attention to the following points when making a nomination:

- Any nomination must be approved by the nominee and accompanied by a short CV (no more than one page) of the nominee.
- A nomination by a Society member must be seconded by at least one other member.
- All nominations should be sent directly to the Secretary of the ESP (Prof. Aurelio Ariza) at the following email address:
aurelio.ariza@uab.cat
- Nominations must be sent within eight weeks of this communication.

What is new in ESP EQA for colorectal cancer testing?

(By Prof. Aleš Ryška, ESP President Elect)



EQA Colon was the very first external quality assurance programme organised by the European Society of Pathology. The main reason for its initiation was the fact that not all laboratories providing molecular testing of KRAS for patients with colorectal carcinoma requiring systemic targeted treatment produced fully reliable results; both false positive and false negative test-results did occur. The purpose of the EQA programme is to provide an objective feedback to individual labs and help them to improve their performance.

During the past years, with the broadening spectrum of tested mutations needed for clinical decisions, additional markers, in particular NRAS and BRAF were added. Also, the programme tried to analyse not only the analytical performance of the participating laboratories (correct identification of the mutations in distributed tissue samples) but also the quality of reporting of the laboratory findings - interpretation of the results and therapeutic recommendations provided to clinical users. This concept has proven to significantly increase the overall quality of molecular testing in colorectal cancer (CRC), as demonstrated by a steadily decreasing proportion of false positive and false negative results reported by the participants.

The EQA Colon programme organised by ESP Foundation was provided by Biomedical Quality Assurance Research Unit of the Department of Public Health and Primary Care of the Katholieke Universiteit in Leuven, Belgium for many years. After considering multiple factors (e.g. long-term financial sustainability of the programme, decision of the experts to terminate their very long participation in this programme), the Board of the ESP Foundation decided in 2019 that as of 2020 onward, this programme will be re-shaped and provided by the newly selected company SEKK from Czech Republic. SEKK has been selected as an experienced EQA provider with a long history of multiple EQA programmes in various laboratory disciplines (histopathology, cytology, biochemistry, haematology, immunology). Also, ESP has selected new medical/technical experts nominated by the ESP Digestive Diseases Working Group, who provide the scientific supervision for the programme - Prof. Magali Svrcek (France) and Prof. Daniela Aust (Germany). The nominated experts guarantee continuation of a very high scientific quality of the programme for the future.

In the last years we have observed a steady decline in the number of participating laboratories in EQA Colon. There are certainly several factors behind this - namely improving performance of participants allowing lower frequency of the EQA participation as well as the fact that individual genes are checked by more than one EQA programme (as they are tested in more than one diagnosis - e.g. BRAF mutations are tested not only in colorectal cancer, but also in melanoma and non-small cell lung carcinoma). Another reason might be the fact (as expressed in individual comments of participants provided in the recent

survey organized by SEKK) that the evaluation of the mock reports did not always reflect the practice in individual countries and participants. Thus, based on the experience from previous years and information collected in the recent survey, it has been decided to make several changes in the concept and organisational details of the programme to increase the attractiveness for the participants and to better reflect the everyday routine practice. To name the most important changes - the evaluation of the reports (which are indeed a very important part of the entire testing process) is performed on anonymised real laboratory reports, not on the mock reports prepared just for the EQA purposes. Our first experience from this year has clearly demonstrated, how much the content (and quality) of the mock reports prepared solely for the EQA evaluation differed from reports released in everyday practice. Thus, there remains plenty of room for improvement. On the other hand, as the regulations and routines differ significantly from one country to another, it has been decided that this evaluation of the reports will be entirely educational, i.e. without any penalty for the participants. Also, as of 2021, the programme will be organised in two rounds (instead of 10 EQA samples in one round, there will be 2x5 samples). The main reason for this is to provide all laboratories with suboptimal results an earlier chance to check, if the changes they made to improve their performance have been sufficiently effective.

Last, but certainly not least, there will be a significant reduction of the participation fees for all participants - this should increase the availability for participants including those from less economically privileged countries.

Thus, we want to invite all potential participants to enrol for the 2021 ESP EQA CRC programme - this is possible online and all relevant information you can find on the link below.

<http://www.sekk.cz/CRC/index.php>

Prof. Aleš Ryška
on behalf of the ESP Foundation Board

Webinar 24th September: "Precursors of epithelial malignancy in the Digestive system: what's new?"

(By Profs. Roger Feakins and Irene Esposito)

There are many negative consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic, including cancellation or postponement of medical conferences. The alternative option of an online event allows experts and enthusiasts to deliver and discuss their views via a meetings application. The European Society of Pathology decided to arrange a series of webinars in order to compensate for the absence of physical meetings and to enhance pathologists' knowledge further in the context of the overall educational programme.

The Digestive Diseases Working Group (WG) organised the first webinar on 24th September 2020. Roger Feakins (UK) and Irene Esposito (Germany) (authors of this text) are the Chair and co-Chair of the WG and acted as moderators of the event. We chose epithelial precursors of malignancy as the topic because there are many new concepts in this

area and because of the changing role of pathology in clinical management of these lesions. Fortunately, two ideal speakers were available to discuss colorectal and pancreaticobiliary precursors - Professors Iris Nagtegaal and Giuseppe Zamboni.

Iris Nagtegaal (Netherlands) is an expert on neoplastic lesions of the lower gastrointestinal tract. She gave a clear and interesting talk on precursor lesions, divided into three sections: population screening (or "the world around us"), Lynch syndrome, and serrated polyps. Iris educated us about molecular mechanisms, pathology, and screening programmes. The lecture included much depth of information and excellent illustrations. Giuseppe Zamboni (Italy) is a longstanding and well-known expert in the field of pancreaticobiliary lesions. His lecture covered the challenging topics of mucinous cystic neoplasms and intraductal neoplasms of the pancreas. As usual, his talk was entertaining and engaging while rich in knowledge and new ideas.

Questions from the audience followed the talks and were interesting and stimulating. Participants could send written or verbal questions, although the large number of written questions meant that there was no time for alternatives. As organisers, it was interesting to note that several delegates asked some of the same questions independently. Often, the questions were about the ideal approach in clinical practice, e.g. MLH-1 staining in serrated lesions.

Smooth running and maintenance of momentum reflected the high level of active co-operation between the ESP officers, the IT team, the speakers, and everyone who took part.

Full concentration by moderators and organisers is necessary in order to avoid silences or awkward juxtapositions. Of course, most of us are not as familiar with this format as we are with the non-virtual approach.

The webinar appeared to be a great success, with an attendance of more than 300 participants. One disadvantage, of course, is the inability of audience members, moderators and lecturers to interact in the usual way. In addition, the usual social element is strikingly absent. However, our impression is that the event was worthwhile and very useful. Indeed, such sessions also have advantages, e.g. a reduction in costs, less travel, and a lower requirement for absence from work. Many organisations will probably continue supporting these sessions even after a solution to the viral pandemic is found.

The recording of the event is available online for ESP members, so please have a look at the video or, if you are not a member, consider joining the ESP and taking advantage of such benefits!

Profs. Roger Feakins and Irene Esposito

Message from the ESP Trainee Subcommittee

(By Dr. Charlotte Kweldam and Dr. Daniel Pinto)



Dear fellow Residents and Seniors,

What a strange year it has been! The Trainee Subcommittee would like to start this communication by sharing with you our best wishes and hope that all of you are doing alright and staying safe during these troubled times.

That being said, we didn't let the present circumstances stop us and have kept on working. As you know, the upcoming ECP has been transferred to a digital format. Although we are disappointed that we won't be travelling to Scotland and meeting all of you in person, we are also quite happy with the new format and what we have managed to achieve. Thanks to the fantastic logistical organisation of the ESP and BDIAP, the help of the BDIAP trainee representatives, Matthew Clarke and Kattie Allen, and our amazing speakers, we were able to keep important parts of our programme intact.

Unfortunately, some cuts did have to be made for this new, shortened, digital format. As such, the planned Molecular Pathology Sessions won't be taking place. We were all excited to learn from Dr. Richard Haspel and to hear you present your routine clinical cases. Do not despair, however! We hope to make them happen at a future ECP – maybe as soon as next year!

To keep you going until then, you can still count on two other sessions from us:

The session Social Media in Pathology, with the participation of the prestigious Drs. Sara Jiang and Adam Booth, from the USA and the Course on Dermatopathology taught by Drs. Eduardo Calonje and Asok Biswas from the UK, amongst others.

All the speakers have already started working on their presentations and will be present to take your (virtual) questions. In an increasingly digital world, we believe the social media session is particularly relevant. Adam and Sara are both excellent communicators with many followers on Twitter and we believe all of us have a great deal to learn from them. This will be a lot of fun and we hope to see you all there.

The same can be said about Drs. Eduardo Calonje and Asok Biswas. They will be sharing their expertise on a challenging area of pathology and this course will be a unique chance to learn from some of the best, in a session aimed specifically at trainees. We believe it translates to the digital format particularly well. Take this chance to tackle Dermatopathology with some of the best in the world. We know we will!

As for the Social Programme, we are trying to set up a digital get together, which will be an interesting adventure. We encourage you to

embark on it with us, adapting to these different times, and come over to get to know people from all over Europe, even if it is through your computer screen. We are planning a fun activity, to work as an ice breaker and to encourage team building. We promise you good times, so stay put for upcoming news. Just don't forget to bring your own food and drinks.

Finally, we would like to talk to you a little about us. Recently, some changes have been made to the inner workings of the Trainee Subcommittee. Whereas up until now we have been presided by a Chair and a co-Chair, on our suggestion, the Council of the ESP has decided that a third element should be added in the future: the former Chair – whose role will be to provide support and advice to the new chair and co-Chair, to participate in the Education Subcommittee meetings and to ensure continuity of the trainee subcommittee's activities. We are very happy with the change and hope it will result in a better service to you, as a community, and in better sessions and social programmes at conferences.

You will also have realised that we have been at the helm of the Trainee Subcommittee for the past three years. As such, it is time to pass the testimony and we will be sending out a call for applicants for Chair and co-Chair of the Trainee Subcommittee soon. You will need to send out a resume and interviews will take place by videoconference during the congress. The new Chair and co-Chair will then be selected by the Executive Committee, advised by the Trainee Subcommittee. We want to encourage you to submit your resume and participate in this process. For us, it has been a very interesting and enriching experience. We have learned so much, met so many interesting people, and hopefully made

a difference representing residents at the European level. If you are outgoing and don't mind putting in a little of extra work, the Trainee Subcommittee is the place to be! We look forward to welcoming you.

To discuss this and other matters, a virtual meeting was held on 4th of November. The invitation was sent to all residents who are ESP members. Along with the invitation a short survey was sent.

We would like to finish by thanking you all for your support, participation and enthusiasm through the years. This will be our last newsletter as Chair and co-Chair of the Trainee Subcommittee. It has been a pleasure. In the meanwhile, please stay safe and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, doubts or are in need of support we may provide.

Looking very much forward to (virtually) seeing you all in the upcoming ESP/IAP Congress!

On behalf of the Trainee Subcommittee,
Daniel Pinto
Charlotte Kweldam

Ioannina University Courses of Pathology

(By Prof. Anna Batistatou, President of the Hellenic Society of Pathology)



Ioannina University Courses in Pathology (IUCP) are organised in Ioannina, Greece every year. These are postgraduate courses on selected topics of Human Pathology and have been offered since 1996, after the unanimous

decision of the Executive Committee (Brussels, June 1995) of the European Society of Pathology (ESP), to give the ESP auspices to the organisation of the IUCP. Since the beginning, the aim of the courses is to bring together young Pathologists and Tutors, experts in the various fields of Pathology, providing an in-depth review of Diagnostic Surgical Pathology.

Starting from 2017, the organisation of IUCP has been passed by Em. Prof. NJ Agnantis to the Hellenic Society of Pathology (HSP). For 2020 the HSP organized the 37th IUCP on Soft Tissue Pathology-Oncology. The 2020 IUCP was originally planned to be held in Ioannina, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic it

was offered as a WEB Scientific event, from 9th to 10th of October 2020. This was the biggest IUCP so far, with 149 participants. We all greatly missed the in-person interactions during the Sessions, but also during the social events. The latter, together with the high quality of the scientific content, have made IUCP famous worldwide. We can only promise that we shall meet again in Ioannina for the next IUCPs to come!



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List of Recently Published Books

(By Prof. Karoline Lackner)

Female Genital Tumours

WHO Classification of Tumours Fifth Edition
WHO Classification of Tumours Editorial Board

Publisher:

WHO

ISBN-13: 978-9283245049

ISBN-10: 9283245040

Female Genital Tumours, the fourth volume in the 5th edition of the WHO series is a part of the so called WHO Blue Books series considered the gold standard for the classification of female genital tract tumors and an indispensable resource for pathologists, oncologists and cancer researchers. It is contributed by 191 authors and editors around the world and contains 850 high-quality images and more than 3100 references. Besides guiding classical morphological classification, novel aspects of digital and molecular pathology are also considered informing individualized treatment strategies. The new WHO classification of tumours website will provide access to whole slide images and also provides hyperlinks to external resources.

A recent review by Cree I.A. and colleagues (<https://doi.org/10.1111/his.13977>) summarizes the process of revising the previous and leading to the changes in the current edition of this standard work.

Rosen's Breast Pathology Fifth Edition

Syed A. Hoda MD, Paul Peter Rosen MD, Edi Brogi MD PHD, Frederick C. Koerner MD

Publisher:

Wolters Kluwer

ISBN-13: 978-1496398918

ISBN-10: 1496398912

Rosen's Breast Pathology, Fifth Edition represents further development of the established standard reference not only for pathologists as the target audience but also for other disciplines involved in the care of patients with breast diseases. The current edition by Dr Paul Rosen as editor will be contributed by expert breast pathologists of international standing from leading medical centres and summarize updates on clinical and radiological presentation, epidemiology, gross pathology, microscopic pathology and cytology, treatment, and prognosis of patients with benign and malignant breast diseases. Key diagnostic features will provide a guideline to accurate diagnosis. Ample illustrations with high-quality images and latest insights in immunohistochemical, pathobiological and molecular features of benign and malignant breast diseases will be particular features of the new edition.

Biopsy Interpretation of the Prostate (Biopsy Interpretation Series) Sixth Edition

Jonathan I. Epstein

Publisher:

Wolters Kluwer

ISBN-13: 978-1975136543

ISBN-10: 1975136543

Biopsy Interpretation of the Prostate, Sixth Edition, part of the Biopsy Interpretation Series is a useful manual guiding accurate decision making by providing well balanced information on practical diagnostic features, ancillary testing on immunohistochemical and molecular level as well as the clinical context. It also includes up-to date information on non-invasive lesions such as HGPIN and intraductal carcinoma. High quality images, 1800 of which are available online are another highlight.

Recently, it was pointed out by Anamarija Perry, MD (University of Michigan Medical School) in Doody's Review Service: "Among the strongest features of the book are the numerous tables that deal with differential diagnoses of prostate cancer versus benign con-

ditions. The book is well illustrated with numerous excellent images that complement the text. In the sometimes-confusing area of prostate pathology, this book will help you to interpret and report prostate biopsy in a modern, up-to-date, and patient-oriented way”.

Biopsy Interpretation of the Lung (Biopsy Interpretation Series) Second Edition

Saul Suster MD, David Suster MD

Publisher:

Wolters Kluwer

ISBN-13: 978-1975136581

ISBN-10: 1975136586

Biopsy Interpretation of the Lung, Second Edition is another part of the Biopsy Interpretation Series published in 2020. It continues to be a concise user-friendly guide for everyday practice and unusual problems arising with the interpretation of lung biopsies and relating to clinical issues. The new edition contains updates about molecular biology, terminology and diagnostic criteria. Illustrations are high quality featuring 500 pictures in the book and additional 200 available in the accompanying e-book.

Kathryn Hogan, M.D. from Henry Ford Health Systems reviewed the book for Doody’s Review Service. She recommends the book as: “A superb reference book that covers both common and rarer diagnostic entities. Its greatest strengths are its well-organized text and the ability of the authors to provide expert consultation on a wide variety of diagnostic entities, making it an excellent resource for practicing pathologists and residents alike”.

Weedon's Skin Pathology Fifth Edition

James W Patterson MD

Publisher:

Elsevier

ISBN-13: 978-0702075827

ISBN-10: 0702075825

Weedon's Skin Pathology Fifth Edition is a reference book connecting universal cover-

age of the pathology of skin lesions and recent updates on molecular biology as well as related techniques, targeted personalized Medicine and immunohistochemistry. The book represents an encyclopaedic reference source but also provides aggregated information about key points for differential diagnoses in tables and boxes for intelligible use. More than 1200 large size high quality illustrations perfect the book and are also available in the accompanying e book.

Barbara M Egbert from VA Palo Alto Health Care System recommends the book in Doody’s Review Service: „This book is of the highest quality. The many advances in the field over the past six years justify the new edition”.

Upcoming Webinars

(By Prof. Karoline Lackner)

ESP WGs Webinars:

ESP has started an already successful series of webinars, organised by the ESP Working Groups. Experts provide talks about “hot” topics in various Pathology fields. The Webinars are using the ZOOM platform and attendees may type questions directly to the panel of speakers. The link to participate is sent to ESP members by mass mail. Last but not least the recordings of the webinars are available in the ESP website!

Dermatopathology: Thursday, 19/11/2020, 16:00 CET

Gynaecopathology: Thursday, 04/02/2021, 16:00 CET

Breast Pathology: Thursday, 04/03/2021, 16:00 CET

Other:

[Immunohistochemistry in Cytopathology - Validation Before Frustration](#)

Course sponsor: American Society of Cytopathology (ASC)

Demand continues to increase for immunohistochemistry (IHC) and other ancillary studies to be performed on cytology samples. Current accreditation requirements and guidelines for validating IHC studies are focused on formalin fixed paraffin embedded (FFPE) samples collected for histology processing. It cannot be assumed that IHC stains validated on FFPE tissue will have the same performance outcome when used on samples collected and processed in a different manner. This webinar will provide an overview of IHC validation regulations and guidelines, ad-

dress cytology fixation and processing variables that must be considered when using cytology samples for IHC, and how these variables may be addressed in a validation study to prevent frustrating cytology IHC results.

December 08, 2020; 03:00 PM, UTC -05:00

COMING SOON!

In collaboration with AstraZeneca and MSD, the Prostate Cancer Virtual Education Series will be available from November 2020

- The Prostate Cancer Virtual Education Series will be available through the European Society of Pathology education portal
- Learning modules on diagnostic testing in prostate cancer have been co-created with expert pathologists and molecular geneticists in collaboration with AstraZeneca and MSD

Modules:

- **Theory:** Learn more about the background to prostate cancer including epidemiology, HRRm tumor biology, diagnostic workflows, and treatment options
- **Practical:** Understand the concepts and techniques involved in tissue, ctDNA and gBRCA testing in prostate cancer
- **Best Practice:** Learn the latest best practice guidance on molecular sequencing in prostate cancer from testing to reporting

Each module will include a short summary video and a self assessment module will be available to support your learning.

Look out for the Prostate Cancer Virtual Education Series in the education portal of the European Society of Pathology website!

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