Activity report 2019

Autopsy pathology working group (WG AUT)

Chairperson (2016-2020): G. Cecilie Alfsen, Oslo, Norway

Secretary: Myriam Haab, Homburg, Germany

Members and general activity

At the beginning of 2020, the WG AUT counts 64 members, an increase of over 25% in comparison to last year.

The chair attended both ESP WG joint meeting in February 16th 2019 in Brussels and on September 7th 2019 in Nice.

Business meeting

The business meeting was held in Nice, September 10th. Future prospects and programme for next ECP/IAP congress in Glasgow 2020 were discussed, with focus on quality assurance and standardisation. A working group was planned, with the goal of presenting a set of basic European guidelines for medical autopsies. The work with guidelines is in progress.

Contributions to the 2019 ECP Congress in Nice

The WG AUT participated in the following activities:

- SY-16: Joint Session Autopsy Pathology / IT in Pathology: The autopsy: a perspective of education and training in pathology; Chairs from the WG AUT : G. Cecilie Alfsen, Myriam Haab, Germany
- OFP-09: Joint Session AUT / CARD / HIST / IT / DEVEL / Other Topics
- SC-09: Short Course (joint with EURO-CNS and History WG): Security aspects for autopsies (4 presentations); Chairs form the WG AUT : G. Cecilie Alfsen, Norway
- SC-12: Joint Session Cardiovascular Pathology / Autopsy Pathology: Autopsy investigations on the operated heart & vessels; Chair from the WG AUT : G. Cecilie Alfsen, Norway
- PS-18: Poster session: 14 posters. Chair and co-chair for the poster session were WG Aut members Myriam Haab, Germany and Rui Almeida, Portugal.
- E-PS-01: 7 E-Posters were presented in the autopsy category

Several members of the group contributed as reviewers of abstracts during spring and early summer 2019, before the congress.

Glasgow 2020

In addition to the OFPs and posters, the WG Aut will participate in the following activities:

- Slide seminar (with infectious diseases WG): The negative autopsy
- Symposium on autopsy quality and standardization
- Short Course (with cardiovascular WG) on myocardial infarction

Discussions about activities for 2021 will start soon.