

**ESP Advanced training center for selected areas in Lung pathology  
Graz, Austria**

a) Name of the centre, address:

Institute of Pathology, Reserach Unit for Molecular Lung and Pleura Pathology, Auenbruggerplatz 25, Graz, 8036, Austria

b) Chair of the centre: Prof. Dr. Gerald Hoefler

c) Head of the training programme: Prof. Dr. Helmut Popper

d) Details about specific areas in which training can be offered:

All areas of non-tumor pathology of the lung can be trained. This includes interstitial lung diseases, autoimmune diseases, etc.

All areas of pediatric lung pathology can be trained, such as developmental diseases, inflammatory and autoimmune diseases, and rare lung & pleura tumors in childhood.

In addition a training for rare lung and pleura tumors in the adult population is also offered.

The lung and pleura disease collection provides selected cases (slides and paraffin blocks) from 13158 patients covering all disease entities so far described; in addition for 6000 cases also snap frozen tissue is also available; the lung&pleura consultation center gets consultation cases from Middle and Northern Europe therefore additional cases come in every week. A lung pathology course take place every year with participants from all over the world, so teaching experience is in place.

e) Number of positions offered for each year: a minimum of 3 month is required, the stay can be extended to 12 months; scientific work in the area of lung and molecular lung pathology is additionally offered; scientific work, however, requires at least a 6 months training period.

f) Specific periods of the year when the visit may be realized: there is no time restriction, but the applicant should plan a minimum of two months to get everything organized for the stay; also this time is required to prepare for the stay of the applicant at the training centre.

g) Contact address for requesting details by the applicant (accommodation options, travel possibilities, etc.): Institute of Pathology, Prof. Dr. Helmut Popper, Auenbruggerplatz 25, Graz, 8036, Austria, phone: +43-316380-4405, +43-6767709124; email: [helmut.popper@medunigraz.at](mailto:helmut.popper@medunigraz.at)

h) No charge for training will be raised.

i) A low cost accomodation can be found nearby the Institute; we will help in making reservations.

j) A support to get necessary visa, insurance or other documents if required will be provided.

k) After completion of the training period the trainee will receive a detailed certificate describing the work.

l) A letter of invitation for the applicant can be issued if required