



## **Infectious Disease Pathology working group of the European Society of Pathology**

### **Report 2013 to 2015**

Founded in 2005 at the ESP annual meeting in Paris, the working group of Infectious Disease pathology can celebrate this year the 10-year-anniversary! Since then, the working group has participated in all congresses and intercongresses (except the intercongress 2006) by own sessions, including symposia and slide seminars.

Modern surgical and anatomic pathology is very much focussed on neoplastic diseases. However, based on the increased number of immunocompromised patients for various reason, including the ageing population as well as the raising number of immigrants and refugees, the pathologist should be aware and familiar with the morphology of infectious diseases. In addition, due to the increasing possibilities in auxiliary methods, including immunohistochemistry and molecular techniques, pathologists can make appropriate diagnoses in a much wider range of lesions.

Based on the strong cross sectional character of the pathology of infectious diseases the working group early started to perform joint sessions with various other working groups in which infections are more or less common.

Between 2013 to 2014 we performed the following sessions:

ESP- Meeting September 8-12/2012, Prague, Czech Republic

- Infections in the perinatal and paediatric age groups
- HIV in the next decennium and beyond

ESP-Meeting August 30/2013, Lisbon, Portugal

- Infections in dermatopathology: Old and new kids on the block

ESP-Meeting September 2/2014, London, UK

- Infectious Diseases involving the Bone Marrow
- Infections you might regret missing
- Slide seminar: Infectious diseases of the digestive system

For the annual meeting in Belgrad 2015 the following sessions are organized:

- Infections of the brain and eye
- Microbes and tumours: An update

Finally, we are currently planning the meeting 2016 in Cologne with the IAP International in conjunction with the Binford Dammin Society of the United States.

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