

Minutes from the MOPA WG business meeting (via ZOOM) 9/10/2020

- **Review of the virtual ESP meeting:** the only remaining session of the WG MOPA was the
 - Joint Symposium with IT and molecular pathology: “From molecular morphology and microenvironment to biological and big data management: a mix-up and update” which was very informative and followed by a lively discussion
- **ECP 2021 Session Proposal Gothenburg**
 - Symposium “Impact of the In Vitro Diagnostics Regulation (IVDR) on molecular pathology diagnostics” originally planned for 2020 but cancelled. Deemed very important
 - Symposium “Diagnostic Whole Exome / Whole Genome Sequencing – are we there yet?” additional topics proposed – large panel sequencing, single cell sequencing
 - Joint symposium with WG Digestive Diseases (Irene Esposito & Roger Feakins): “Molecular and morpho-molecular diagnosis of hepatobiliary tumors”
 - Joint symposium or a short course with WG Autopsy Pathology (G. Cecilie Alfsen): “Research on Autopsy Material” – minimal invasive autopsy suggested as important topic
 - Further information on the format of the meeting by the organizing committee is expected in January
- **BioMed Alliance IVD WG – Notes**

Potential problems with missing IVDR certificates were discussed
Accreditation is crucial for “in house tests” (IHT)
Regulation/legislation for IHT is largely left to member states
Changes in a “Regulation” is almost impossible as is a postponement
Grace period does not apply for IHT
Examples of critical tests needed by December 18th
- **European Molecular Pathology Master (G. Stanta)**

Rationale and Objectives were discussed
Participation from non-European students would be welcomed, if possible
- **Proposal for a WG chair & co-chair according to the ESP guidelines**

G. Hoefler was nominated as chair
G. Stanta was nominated as co-chair
No other nominations were received
27 WG members present
25 yes votes, 2 abstentions