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