

## ESP Advanced training center for Paediatric and Perinatal pathology (Sheffield, United Kingdom)

Name of the center: Histopathology Department, Sheffield Children Hospital NHS FT  
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Chair of the center: Dr. Marta Cohen

Head of the training program: Dr. Marta Cohen (Paediatric Pathology) & Dr. Luiz Cesar Peres (Perinatal Pathology)

Sheffield Children's Hospital is major teaching hospital and one of the foremost hospitals for children in the UK. It has developed a well-recognised international reputation for the care and treatment of all kinds of children's diseases and conditions. It covers a population of 2 million and integrates several regional and supra-regional services, including neonatal surgery, oncology (leukaemia and solid tumours), genetics, metabolic diseases, hepatology, haemophilia, phenylketonuria, plastic and orthopaedic surgery. The Histopathology Department is part of the Division of Genetics, Diagnostic and Pharmacy, which comprises Clinical Chemistry, Clinical Genetics, Cytogenetics, Haematology, Histopathology, Molecular Genetics, Newborn screening, Medical Imaging and Pharmacy. Integration across the Directorate is well established and joint developments particularly in the area of metabolic diseases, post mortem MRI and CT scans and molecular genetics.

Dr Marta Cohen is the Head of Department and a Lecturer at the University of Sheffield. The Department provides perinatal services to several maternity hospitals in the region, performing approximately 1200 placental examinations and 300 perinatal post mortems per year.

The training program will be tailored to the needs of the applicant and will cover relevant areas of paediatric pathology and perinatal pathology as well as specific areas of paediatric forensic pathology. Dr Cohen is a paediatric and perinatal pathologist who is also trained in forensic pathology and holds a Diploma in Medical Jurisprudence (Pathology). She has an interest in gastrointestinal paediatric pathology, Sudden Infant Deaths and suspicious deaths in children and is part of the steering group of the Care of the Next Infant (CONI) program of the Lullaby Trust. Dr Peres' field of interest is in Perinatal autopsies and placental pathology with large experience in teaching and in the investigation of congenital abnormalities.

The department is involved in ongoing research projects and numerous original studies are regularly published in prestigious journals. The applicant will be welcomed to participate in the department research projects.

SCH Histopathology Department has a long standing experience in training in paediatric and perinatal pathology. The department is a training centre of the Yorkshire and Humber Deanery and Dr Cohen holds a Diploma in Medical Education (Eq) and is Educational Supervisor of trainees. She is also past-Chair of the Paediatric and Perinatal Pathology Working group of the ESP, current president of the International Association of Paediatric Pathology (IPPA) and Director of the Post Graduate Course in Paediatric and Perinatal Pathology of the International Paediatric Pathology Association. This is a 5 year residential course and as Director, Dr Cohen is responsible for developing the Educational Program. <http://www.ippa-association.com/>. Dr Peres is Medical Supervisor of trainees and is currently

member of the Educational Sub-Committee of the Paediatric Pathology Society and member of the Paediatric and Perinatal Pathology Working Group of the ESP. Dr Peres is also past-president of the Sociedad Latinoamericana de Patologia Pediatrica (SLAPPE) and also of the International Paediatric Pathology Association.

The Department regularly receives overseas trainees and fellows in paediatric, perinatal and /or forensic pathology, tailoring the training program to the specific needs.

Number of positions offered for each year, expected duration of the training: A training program can be offered for a minimum of 2 months and a maximum of 6 months. The department can accommodate 1 position per training slot. As it is expected that training positions will run between January to July each year, the number of positions offered will be directly related to the duration of the training program (ie: the department can receive 3 applicants of 2 months program each per year or 1 six month position /year). Due to the demand of attachments from local and overseas trainees, it is required that the slot is arranged with enough anticipation.

Specific periods of the year when the visit may be realized: January to July each year.

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No charge for training will be raised.

Accommodation & Documents: The applicant will receive help to found a low cost accommodation nearby the hospital.

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

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

A letter of invitation for the applicant can be issued if necessary.

No fee will be raised for the training program. The Department will not fund the accommodation or any fees incurred in the visa application or criminal records check if required.