

ESP Breast WG activities during 2012

The main focus of the WG was to propose a high quality program for the **European Congress of Pathology in Prague**. The breast program included 124 presentations in a symposium, a short course, a slide seminar, a Joint meeting with Dermatopathology WG, two oral free paper sessions, a poster session and a business meeting.

The **Joint meeting Dermatopathology/Breast Pathology WGs** was chaired by Dmitry Kazakov, Czech Republic, and Thomas Brenn, UK and included talks of the following speakers: Ludmila Boudova, Czech Republic, Thomas Brenn, United Kingdom, Zdenek Kinkor, Czech Republic, Dmitry Kazakov, Czech Republic, Jaime Calonje, United Kingdom.

The **Symposium was dedicated to Breast cancer multifocality and its clinical significance**. It was chaired by Ales Ryska, Czech Republic and Tibor Tot, Sweden and included talks of the following speakers: Roman Rouzier, France, Simona Stolnicu, Romania, Maria Pia Foschini, Italy, and Tibor Tot, Sweden.

The **Short course was entitled The mystery of metaplastic breast carcinoma** and chaired by Alena Skalova, Czech Republic and Janez Lamovec, Slovenia. The speakers were Thea Tlsty, USA, Alena Skalova, Czech Republic, Felipe Geyer, United Kingdom, Emad Rakha (his talks was presented by Ian Ellis) United Kingdom, and Janez Lamovec, Slovenia.

A very successful **Slide seminar on Risk of underdiagnosis in breast pathology** was organized and chaired by Gabor Cserni, Hungary and Zsuzsanna Varga, Switzerland. The cases were presented by Alena Skalova, Czech Republic, Malcolm Hayes, Canada, Clive Wells, United Kingdom, James De Gaetano, Malta, Zsuzsanna Varga, Switzerland, and Gabor Cserni, Hungary

The Oral Free Paper Session 1. was chaired by Janina Kulka, Hungary and Maria Pia Foschini, Italy.
The Oral Free Paper Session 2. was chaired by Angelika Reiner, Austria and Thomas Decker, Germany

During **Poster Session** 86 posters were discussed, chairs were Zsuzsanna Varga, Switzerland, Vincenzo Eusebi, Italy and Rudolf Nenuil, Czech Republic.

The **Business meeting** of the Breast WG was chaired by Tibor Tot, Sweden and Clive Wells, UK. The scientific program of the meeting focused on **Mammary field cancerization**. The invited speakers were Jan Dumanski, Dept. of Immunology, Genetics and Pathology, Uppsala University, Sweden and Ann Thor, University of Colorado, Denver CO USA, the president International Society of Breast Pathology

According to the ESP Standard Operating Procedures, the chairpersons of the WGs are elected by the WG members for a two year period and may be re-elected for a second term. After 4 years a chairperson can only be re-elected after 2 years have elapsed. The WG may elect a secretary for which the same conditions apply. After 4 years Tibor Tot will step down as chair of the WG after the next Congress in Lisbon. The WG elected Professor Anna Sapino from Italy for chair elect.

The ESP and the Breast WG participated on the **4th IMPAKT meeting in Brussels**, which focused on the last advances in the field of breast pathology and was primarily dedicated to translational research in breast cancer. There was a separate session co-organized by the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) and the Breast International Group (BIG) and the ESP/Breast WG. It was

co-chaired by Tibor Tot and Jorge Reis-Filho. The speakers were Carsten Denkert from Germany and Gueseppe Viale from Italy.

In 2012 Sept an **EScoP course in breast pathology was organized in Craiova Romania**. The local organizing committee was chaired by Professor Emil Plesea. The Faculty was Prof Vincenzo Eusebi, Prof Maria Pia Foschini and Prof Tibor Tot.