

Announcement

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**BREAST DIAGNOSTIC HISTOPATHOLOGY
 UPDATE
 SEPTEMBER 22 AND 23, 2005
 HAMMERSMITH HOSPITAL AND
 IMPERIAL COLLEGE, LONDON**

A 2-day course designed for pathologists at Consultant and Senior Trainee level. The course is a shorter version of the week long course and is also suitable for those who have previously attended that course and wish to participate in discussing new developments in the field. The course will be based on 30, mostly new, cases derived from the archives of Hammersmith, Charing Cross, Nottingham City and Cambridge Addenbrook's Hospitals and is slanted to practical diagnostic pathology with special emphasis on areas that pose diagnostic difficulties. The participants will be given ample time to study histological preparations, followed by illustrated discussion of the cases. In addition, there will be several talks on specific topics, given by breast pathology specialists followed by discussions. The topics will include issues in the interpretation of breast biopsies, examination of breast biopsies after neoadjuvant chemotherapy, breast immunohistochemistry, dealing with the gross specimen, fibroepithelial and spindle cell lesions; papillary, lobular, apocrine and metaplastic lesions, proliferative lesions/carcinoma *in situ* and sentinel lymph node biopsy. The faculty will include Ian Ellis, Vincenzo Eusebi, Mary Falzon, Andrew Lee, Sarah Pinder and Sami Shousha.

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**39TH ANNUAL Dr FK MOSTOFI UROLOGICAL
 PATHOLOGY AND RADIOLOGY COURSE
 JULY 17–22, 2005
 DOUBLETREE HOTEL, ROCKVILLE,
 MD, USA**

This nationally acclaimed course has prepared urology residents for the board exam for 38 years. The 5-day program caters to the learning styles of the individual resident by offering instruction in numerous formats, including lectures, individual and small group activities with carousels and

computers studying over 5000 cases, and one-on-one study with faculty at a projection microscope.

This course not only prepares residents for the board examinations; it also provides an understanding of those modern concepts in urological pathology that will enable the urologist to resolve any discrepancies between the diagnosis and clinical findings. The program also includes:

- Lecture on normal histology and inflammatory patterns.
- Laboratory sessions with microscopic examination of 150 slides of different diseases of the adrenal and genitourinary tract, kodachrome review, CD-ROMs and small group tutorials.
- A discussion of the recently revised World Health Organization International Histological Classification of Tumors of the Kidney, Bladder, Testes, and the Prostate and the International Union Against Cancer (UICC) staging of these tumors.
- A comprehensive syllabus containing detailed case descriptions and color images.
- A pre test and post test to guide your learning in a format that closely resembles the board exam.
- Your own CD-ROM illustrating the pathology of diseases of adrenals, kidney, bladder, prostate, testes, penis, and scrotum,
- This course is regarded by many as the preeminent preparation course for urology residents. Years of experience combined with fantastic cases and excellent teachers makes the AFIP course one of the best pre-examination urology courses offered today.

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**OPHTHALMIC PATHOLOGY FOR
 OPHTHALMOLOGISTS
 AUGUST 21–25, 2005
 DOUBLETREE HOTEL,
 ROCKVILLE, MD, USA**

This course is designed to enhance the basic education of ophthalmologists (residents, general

practitioners, and specialists) with respect to the normal and pathologic structure of ocular tissues in health and disease. This 5-day course consists of a comprehensive survey of pathologic conditions affecting the eye and ocular adnexa. The lectures will be richly illustrated by clinical pictures, X-rays, scans, gross photographs, photomicrographs, electron micrographs, etc, and supported by outlines and references. The course participants will benefit by gaining:

- Enhanced knowledge of the pathology of common ocular diseases.
- Updates on basic concepts and factual data concerning the pathologic anatomy of the eye and ocular adnexa.
- Improved understanding of basic histopathologic characteristics, histochemical, immunohistochemical, and ultrastructural features of ophthalmic disorders.
- Deeper insight into clinicopathologic correlations, imaging-pathologic correlations, and electron microscopy, and immunohistochemistry of normal and pathologic tissues of the eye.
- Improved performance on OKAP and related ophthalmologic examinations.

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16TH ANNUAL GASTROINTESTINAL SURGICAL PATHOLOGY COURSE: ENDOSCOPIC BIOPSIES OF THE GI TRACT
SEPTEMBER 12–13, 2005
LISTER HILL AUDITORIUM, NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE, BETHESDA, MD, USA

This 2-day course consists of a practical review of selected subjects in diagnostic surgical and endoscopic pathology of the gastrointestinal tract for pathologists, pathology residents, gastroenterologists, and gastroenterology fellows (preparing for boards). In addition to lectures on neoplastic and non-neoplastic diseases of the gastrointestinal tract, the course includes over 10 h of microscopy (microscopes provided) based on a unique collection of hundreds of endoscopic biopsies.

At the conclusion of the course, the participants will have a better grasp of endoscopic biopsy interpretation, clinical/endoscopic pathologic correlations, and up-to-date information on a variety of gastrointestinal diseases and lesions such as polyps, dysplasia, Barrett esophagus, chronic gastritis, infections, inflammatory bowel disease, lymphomas, stromal tumors, and neuroendocrine lesions. The

Hepatopathology 2005 course follows this course and is held at the same location on September 14–16, 2005.

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26TH ANNUAL COURSE HEPATOPATHOLOGY 2005: THE INTERPRETATION OF LIVER BIOPSIES
SEPTEMBER 14–16, 2005
LISTER HILL AUDITORIUM, NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE, BETHESDA, MD, USA

This course provides a review of commonly encountered problems in diagnostic liver pathology at a level suitable for pathologists and pathology residents as well as hepatologists, gastroenterologists, and gastroenterology/hepatology fellows. Areas to be covered include hepatitis and other infectious diseases, toxic injury due to alcohol and drugs, cholestasis, developmental and metabolic liver diseases, and neoplasms. The participants will have ample opportunity for microscopic review of material drawn from the files of the AFIP. There are over 300 cases, predominantly needle biopsies. The cases will be available for study, and AFIP staff members will be on hand to assist and answer questions. At the conclusion of the course, the participant will have a better grasp of liver biopsy interpretation and an experience equivalent to spending a month in the Hepatic Pathology Division of the AFIP. The Gastrointestinal Surgical Pathology course precedes this course and is held at the same location on September 12–13, 2005.

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5TH ANNUAL SOFT TISSUE TUMORS A MICROSCOPY WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 26–29, 2005
LISTER HILL AUDITORIUM, NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE, BETHESDA, MD, USA

This course will feature microscopy sessions and short lectures on specific tumor groups, including new entities such as fibromas, small round cell tumors, vascular tumors, nerve sheath tumors, and

new immunohistochemical and molecular diagnostic tests. Slides of more than 400 soft tissue tumors will be available for review, more than 100 of them new additions to the last workshop on soft tissue tumors. Evening sessions for slide review will be available. Unknown cases will also be available for self-evaluation. Microscopes and refreshments will be provided. At the completion of this course, each participant will be reviewed:

- The most important soft tissue tumors.
- The practical use of immunohistochemistry in tumor diagnosis.
- Molecular pathogenesis and diagnosis of soft tissue tumors.

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**BASIC FORENSIC PATHOLOGY
NOVEMBER 14–18, 2005
DOUBLETREE HOTEL, ROCKVILLE,
MD, USA**

Forensic medicine has lofty goals finding and presenting medical facts, pursuit of justice, and defense of public safety. These goals shape the cornerstone of medicolegal death investigation, which is the correlation of autopsy findings with the circumstances of death. The primary goal of the course is to provide working knowledge regarding that place where law and medicine intersect, the forensic autopsy. Guidelines for the interpretation of autopsy findings and the circumstances surrounding unexplained or violent deaths will be explored. In addition, the role of related forensic disciplines in elucidating why and how people die will be presented. Nationally renowned authorities in the forensic sciences will provide concise, topical reviews in the many facets of death investigation. The material presented will be beneficial to pathologists, residents, fellows, criminal investigators, attorneys, and others with an interest in forensic medicine.

The course objectives of the course:

- Describe all the elements that constitute a thorough postmortem examination.

- Interpret autopsy findings taking into account scene information and medical history.
- Identify the various forensic science disciplines that relate to death investigation.

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**BOARD CERTIFICATION IN
DERMATOPATHOLOGY
<http://www.icdpath.org>**

The International Board of Dermatopathology will organize under the auspices of the International Committee for Dermatopathology the *Third Certifying Examination in Dermatopathology (Diploma in Dermatopathology)* in Frankfurt/Main, Germany, on December 10, 2005.

Participating Societies:

International Society of Dermatopathology
European Society for Dermatopathology
Ibero-Latin American Society of Dermatopathology

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