

Announcements

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19th EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF PATHOLOGY, LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA SEPTEMBER 6–11, 2003

This will be the largest congress in Europe in 2003. Similarly to IAP International Congresses, it will cover basic diagnostic standards, update scientific achievements and recent technical advances in all areas of pathology at 30 symposia, 21 short courses, 21 slide seminars, 14 special presentations, 2 round table discussions and at free paper and poster sessions. The internationally recognised invited speakers are from throughout Europe, including the UK, as well as from the USA. The Symeonidis lecture "In between the lines - sins and foibles of pathology writings" will be given by J. Rosai, and the three keynote lectures will be "Pancreatic neoplasms - their phenotype/genotype evolution" by G. Klöppel, "Current issues in diagnostic pathology of the prostate" by D.G. Bostwick and "Organ retention and the autopsy - the good and the grief" by J.C.E. Underwood. The official language is English. March 1, 2003 is the deadline for abstracts, which will be published in the September issue of *Virchows Archiv*. All invited lectures will be published in the Congress Proceedings Book. Approval of CME credit points has been applied for at the UEMS and Royal College of Pathology. There will be a rich and we hope enjoyable social programme and the chance to explore the old university central European city of Ljubljana, and picturesque Slovenia. The invitation is still open for those interested in being actively involved at the Gala Concert by pathologists-musicians. June 1, 2003 is the deadline for the early registration fee. Pre-Congress Meetings are devoted to Head and Neck Pathology, Nephropathology and Pulmonary Pathology.

For further details please contact: General Information - 19th ECP Secretariat, Cultural and Congress Centre, Prešernova 10, SI-1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia, phone: 386-1-241 7144, fax: 386-1-241 7296, e-mail: 19ecp@cd-cc.si; Scientific programme information - 19th ECP Organising Committee, e-mail: ECP2003@mf.uni-lj.si; Updated information on the congress website: <http://www.cd-cc.si/ecp>.

3rd ANNUAL UPDATE COURSE IN SURGICAL PATHOLOGY THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 7–9, 2003

Update in Surgical Pathology - 22 Hrs of CME Credit Hilton Columbus — Registration fee \$550 (Residents \$80) This course is designed to provide a comprehensive and practical update of diagnostic surgical pathology. It is intended to keep attendees abreast of the latest scientific advances in the field of Surgical Pathology needed to comply with the current standard of practice, with an emphasis on the practical aspects of the specialty.

Speakers include: Drs. John Eble, John Goldblum, Robert Kuman, Cynthia Magro, Cesar Moran, Gerard Nuovo, Alan Schiller, Stuart Schnitt, Saul Suster, and Paul Wakely.

For more information: Saul Suster, M.D., Course Director, E411 Dcan Hall, 410 W. 10th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43210, e-mail: braden-1@medctr.osu.edu, Website: <http://pathology.osu.edu/surgpath>, Phone: (614)293-9750.

DIAGNOSTIC SURGICAL PATHOLOGY MILAN, ITALY SEPTEMBER 16–20, 2003

Jointly Sponsored by:

Massachusetts General Hospital
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Milan, Italy

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This course will present state of the art information in the areas of soft tissue pathology, pathology of the hematopoietic and lymphoid tissues, pulmonary pathology, peritoneal pathology, gynecologic pathology and urologic pathology. A comprehensive course syllabus will be provided.

The course will be held at the National Cancer Institute in Milan. Milan is not only a great city with numerous attractions of its own but is ideally suited to explore the wonderful scenery of the Great Lakes and Alps and other attractive areas within reach include the Italian Riviera and somewhat further afield Venice. Milan has several outstanding museums, houses perhaps the most famous painting in the world (Leonardo DaVinci's Last Supper), has a spectacular gothic cathedral and famed opera house — La Scala. A trip to one of the Great Lakes will be available for an additional charge on Saturday, September 20th, after the course concludes.

Registration can be made through the Department of Continuing Education at Harvard Medical School, P.O. Box 825, Boston, MA 02117-0825, USA. (www.cme.hms.harvard.edu). The course has Category I accreditation for 26 hours of CME credit by the American Medical Association. The fee for the course is \$675.00 (residents and fellows \$425.00).

**OPHTHALMIC PATHOLOGY FOR
OPHTHALMOLOGISTS
SEPTEMBER 7–11, 2003**

**Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Elias P.G.
Theros Radiologic Pathologic Education Center,
Washington, DC**

**The Armed Forces Institute of Pathology
designates this educational activity for a
maximum of 37 hours in Category 1 CME credit.**

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 affect-

ing 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.

The tuition is \$850. For active-duty U.S. military, Department of Defense civilians, full-time permanent Department of Veterans Affairs employees, and commissioned officers of the U.S. Public Health Service with authorized approval tuition is \$370.

For more information, contact course coordinator TSgt. Stephen Huntington. Department of Medical Education, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, DC 20306-6000. Telephone: 202-782-2637, Fax: 202-782-5020, E-mail: sutton@afip.osd.mil. Web site: <http://www.afip.org/Departments/edu/upcoming.htm>.

**14th ANNUAL REVIEW GASTROINTESTINAL
SURGICAL PATHOLOGY: AND ENDOSCOPIC
BIOPSIES OF THE GI TRACT
SEPTEMBER 8–9, 2003**

**Lister Hill Auditorium, National Library of
Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland**
**The AFIP designates this educational activity for
a maximum of 20 hours in Category 1 CME
credit.**

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 hours 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 2003 course follows this course and is held at the same location. The Hepatopathology 2003 course is September 10–12, 2003.

The tuition is \$450 before September 1, 2003 and \$500 afterwards. For active-duty U.S. military, Department of Defense civilians, full-time permanent Department of Veterans Affairs employees, and commissioned officers of the U.S. Public Health Service with authorized approval tuition is \$350.

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**24TH ANNUAL COURSE HEPATOPATHOLOGY
2003: THE INTERPRETATION OF LIVER
BIOPSIES
SEPTEMBER 10–12, 2003**

**Lister Hill Auditorium, National Library of
Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland**

**The AFIP designates this educational activity for
a maximum of 31 hours in Category 1 CME
credit.**

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, tox 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. The Gastrointestinal Surgical Pathology course is September 8–9, 2003.

The tuition is \$675 before September 1, 2003 and \$725 afterwards. For active-duty U.S. military, Department of Defense civilians, full-time permanent Department of Veterans Affairs employees, and commissioned officers of the U.S. Public Health Service with authorized approval tuition is \$450.

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**32ND ANNUAL COURSE & TUTORIAL
ORTHOPEDIC PATHOLOGY
SEPTEMBER 14–19, 2003**

**Location: Orthopedic Course - Armed Forces
Institute of Pathology (AFIP), Elias P.G. Theros
Radiologic Pathologic Education Center,
Washington, DC**

September 22–October 3, 2003

**Location: Tutorial Session - AFIP, Owens
Conference Room, Washington, DC**

**The AFIP designates this educational activity for
a maximum of 52 hours in Category 1 CME
credit for "The Course" and 60 hours in
Category 1 CME credit for "The Tutorial".**

The 32nd Annual AFIP Orthopedic Pathology Course and Tutorial, originally restricted to uniform services orthopedic surgery training program participants is now open to all orthopedic and pathology related specialties including military, federal and civilian. Orthopedists, pathologists, radiologists, rheumatologists and podiatrists, should find this course of benefit. This six day didactic course in Orthopedic Pathology, is limited to 80 applicants. The week long didactic session will be followed by a 2-week optional tutorial in bone and joint pathology at no extra cost. Tutorial participation this fall is limited to 20 applicants. The course objectives upon completion of this course should improve diagnostic skills in clinical, radiologic, and pathologic evaluations, and treatment of orthopedic related disorders through our experience by:

- Creating a conceptual approach to understanding the primary mechanisms of diseases affecting bones and joints and relationship to growth, development, maintenance and aging of the skeleton.

- Describing normal skeletal morphology and diseases utilizing orthopedic pathology study sets (250+ histologic glass slides and approximately 1000 kodachromes) and unknown case discussions. Establishing a morphologic basis for plain film (x-ray) radiographic changes pertaining to diagnosis (location and matrix patterns), and biologic behavior (margins and periosteal reactions).
- Providing a basic understanding of the pathophysiologic principles underlying bone scans, CAT scans and MRI: Their reliability, diagnostic significance and importance to clinical staging.

The tuition is \$750. For active-duty U.S. military, Department of Defense civilians, full-time permanent Department of Veterans Affairs employees, and commissioned officers of the U.S. Public Health Service with authorized approval tuition is \$175.

For more information, contact course coordinator Mr. Ricky Giles. Department of Medical Education, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, DC 20306-6000. Telephone: 202-782-2637, Fax: 202-782-5020, E-Mail: sutton@afip.osd.mil. Web site: <http://www.afip.org/Departments/edu/upcoming.htm>.

**WILLIAM BEAUMONT HOSPITAL
DNA TECHNOLOGY IN THE CLINICAL
LABORATORY
12TH ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON MOLECULAR
PATHOLOGY
SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2003
SOMERSET INN, TROY, MICHIGAN**

This three-day symposium will start on Thursday morning, September 25th with a pre-meeting workshop on "Introduction to Molecular Diagnostics" and the "New Technology in Molecular Pathology" session in the afternoon. Corporate Workshops and a new session on Pharmacogenomics will be on Friday, September 26th. The Molecular Hematology-Oncology session will be held on Saturday morning, September 27th. Lunch Breakout Sessions and vendor exhibits on September 25th and 26th. CME credit available. For more information, contact Domnita Crisan, MD, PhD, Phone: 248-551-7261, Fax: 248-551-2694, E-Mail: dcrisan@beaumont.edu or visit our website at www.beaumont.edu/dnasymposium.

For registration materials, contact Bassima Georgis at Phone: 248-551-8023, E-Mail: bgeorgis@beaumont.edu or register at www.beaumont.edu/dnasymposium.

**4TH ANNUAL SOFT TISSUE TUMORS A
MICROSCOPY WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 2, 2003**

**Lister Hill Auditorium, National Library of
Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland
The AFIP designates this educational activity for
a maximum of 30 hours in Category 1 CME
credit.**

Course Director: Markku Miettinen, M.D., Ph.D.

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 have reviewed:

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

The tuition is \$700. For active-duty U.S. military, Department of Defense civilians, full-time permanent Department of Veterans Affairs employees, and commissioned officers of the U.S. Public Health Service with authorized approval and civilian residents with a letter from their program directors tuition is \$550.

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**NOTTINGHAM INTERNATIONAL BREAST
EDUCATION CENTRE
CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION
ONE DAY MULTI-DISCIPLINARY UPDATE
COURSES
FEBRUARY 3, & OCTOBER 13, 2003
Course Fee: £95.00**

**Multi-Disciplinary Courses on Breast Disease
June 9-11, 2003 & November 17-19, 2003**

Three day course. The first part is multi-disciplinary. Thereafter the different specialties meet to accommodate their own special requirements.

Course Tutors: Dr. I. O. Ellis, Dr. S. E. Pinder, Dr. A. H. S. Lee

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| Course Fees: | NHS | £370.00 |
| | Non-NHS | £415.00 |
| | Overseas | £550.00 |

includes refreshments but not accommodation.

**7th ANNUAL UPDATE IN DIAGNOSTIC
PATHOLOGY
OCTOBER 23–26, 2003
SANDESTIN GOLF AND BEACH RESORT
SANDESTIN, FLORIDA**

This program is presented by the Department of Pathology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham under the direction of Gene P. Siegal, M.D., Ph.D. The guest speaker will be Dr. David L. Page, Professor of Pathology and Epidemiology at Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville, TN, in conjunction with faculty from UAB. The program will include combined morning lectures and afternoon microscopic (glass slide) reviews with experts in their fields. Specific disciplines and organs to be included:

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| Digital Images in Pathology | Soft Tissue Neoplasms |
| B-Cell Lymphomas | Bone Tumors |
| Premalignant Breast Disease | Odontogenic Tumors |
| Metastasis Suppressor Genes | Microbiology |
| Molecular Determinates of Cancer | Cytology/Histology of Mediastinal Tumors |

An extensive syllabus, including a CD-ROM with representative images from the lectures, will be provided. The University of Alabama School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The University of Alabama School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 16 hours in category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award.

For additional information, please visit our website at update.path.uab.edu or contact: Don Bowen, Department of Pathology, JNWB, Suite 404, 1530 3rd Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35294-0500, Phone 205-975-0045, Fax 205-975-6749

**DIAGNOSTIC PATHOLOGY OF SOFT
TISSUE TUMORS
NOVEMBER 10–14, 2003**

The Department of Pathology, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, will present this 5-day postgraduate course on November 10–14, 2003 at the Royal Sonesta Hotel, Cambridge, Massachusetts under the direction of Christopher D.M. Fletcher and Thomas Krausz (University of Chicago, Illinois).

This course is essentially practical (i.e. 'hands on') and on each of the 5 days two or three major "histogenic" groups of soft tissue tumors will be covered. Each day will be divided into three parts: Microscopy session, discussion and revision. The morning will start with histologic slide viewing during which a set of 45–60 cases relating to the day's topics will be available to each participant. At this stage only clinical histories (with no final diagnosis) will be provided, thus simulating a genuine diagnostic problem-solving situation. Participants will be provided with individual microscopes in order to allow personal examination and "hands on" study of the histologic sections. The cases have been selected to highlight problems in diagnosis, as well as illustrating typical examples of a very wide range of soft tissue tumors and pseudotumors. In the afternoon, all of the cases will be discussed individually by the course teachers, using a microscope attached to television monitors supplemented by 35 mm transparencies where appropriate. Participants will be encouraged to take an active part in the discussion of each case.

The Course has Category 1 accreditation for 35 hours of CME credit by the American Medical Association. The Course fee is \$1050 (residents and fellows \$750).

For more information contact the Department of Continuing Medical Education, Harvard Medical School, P.O. Box 825, Boston, MA 02117-0825. Telephone (617) 384-8600, fax (617) 384-8686, email: hms-cme@hms.harvard.edu.