OBJECTIVE

Following the success of our Courses in 2017, 2018, and 2020, the objective of the Fourth International Melanoma Course in 2022 will include a new criteria-based approach: “Avoiding errors in diagnosis via true cases”, as well as an update of all cutting-edge knowledge on difficult melanocytes lesions relevant to practicing pathologists and clinicians. This 2022 venue will make use of the expertise of the SIRIC (Integrated Cancer Research Site at Institut Curie), updated WHO 4th Edition Classification of Melanocytic Tumours, the International Melanoma Pathology Study Group, and the latest information from the MPATH Melanoma Pathology studies.

THE MPATH MELANOMA PATHOLOGY STUDY DATABASE AND PROJECTS

- Online access in advance and review of digitized images from extensively-characterized cases constituting the MPATH study set. This unique study set has been reviewed by the MPATH Pathology Panel (Prs. Barnhill, Elder, and Piepkorn), and a large diverse group of pathologists.
- The Course will be practical and based on the extensive experience of the international faculty participating in the Course. The Course will consist of didactic lectures and interactive sessions during the two-day program.
PROGRAM SESSIONS

- Basic microscopic approach to assessing melanocytic lesions
- Use of updated MPATH schema and tool for melanocytic lesion classification and risk stratification
- Emphasis on the most difficult diagnostic problems
- The reporting of melanoma and prognostic factors
- The assessment of margins and sentinel lymph node
- AJCC guidelines 8th Edition for melanoma staging
- Practical immunohistochemistry applied to melanocytic lesions
- Practical molecular biology and molecular assessment of melanocytic lesions
- Practical discussion of targeted- and immunotherapies
- Online access and review of digitized images from the MPath study set and other sources

PRELIMINARY LIST OF TOPICS

- WHO 4th Edition update of melanocytic tumours: general approach to the difficult melanocytic lesion
- Congenital nevi and related lesions
- Acquired melanocytic nevi and including unusual and special variants
- Dysplastic nevi
- Spitzoid melanocytic neoplasms
- Blue nevi and atypical variants
- Nevoid melanoma
- Lentigo maligna melanoma
- Desmoplastic melanoma
- Melanoma arising in blue nevus
- Conventional cutaneous melanoma
- Pediatric melanoma
- Acral melanoma
- Mucosal melanoma
- Melanocytic lesions of the nail apparatus
- Conjunctival melanocytic lesions including nevi and melanosis
- Conjunctival melanoma
- Uveal melanoma
- Angiotropic extravascular migratory metastasis
- AJCC guidelines (8th Edition) for cutaneous and ocular melanoma staging
- Practical immunohistochemistry
- Practical molecular analysis of melanocytic lesions
- Immune checkpoint pathways
- The reporting of melanoma and prognostic factors
- What the clinician expects from the pathologist?

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