

# Los Angeles Society of Pathologists, Inc. Newsletter

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## April – June Meetings are

**CANCELLED**

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*Dear Readers,*

*As you may know, the health and safety of our community and our members are always a priority at Los Angeles Society of Pathologists.*

*To help ensure your safety during the COVID-19 (corona virus) outbreak, we have decided to postpone our monthly scheduled meetings until after the Summer hiatus. Although we understand the value of our meetings, we feel it is essential to ensure the continued health of our members and speakers. Guidelines from healthcare experts recommend avoiding close contact with large groups of people in public venues to reduce the risk of exposure.*

*If you are working on a submission for our annual 'Resident/Fellow Symposium' feel free to continue to submit as we will try to bring this back towards the end of the year (basically it gives you more time to work on your presentations).*

*We also plan to look into web based meetings, you may be able to view our live sessions and claim CME from the comfort of your own home (more information will follow later)*

*Please take a moment to look at our newsletter, we have 3 advertisements enclosed and listed on our website for the following positions at Cedars Sinai:*

- *Anatomic Pathology Instructor – 2021-2022 (2 Positions)*
- *Listing of various Pathology Fellowship Openings*
- *GYN, Placental & Perinatal Pathology Fellowship opening for 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.*

*Thank you for your time and understanding, stay safe and we hope to see you in September.*

*Sincerely*

*The Board*

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in September 2020  
due to COVID-19**

# Annual Resident/Fellow Symposium

On May 12<sup>th</sup> The Los Angeles Society of Pathologists, Inc. will hold our Annual Resident & Fellow Symposium. This year a total of four submissions will be chosen for presentation: 3 difficult/interesting case reports and 1 research related presentation.

## To submit a case, please follow the format and instructions outlined below:

Create a PowerPoint presentation (PPT) and convert to PDF before submitting them to LASOPMD@gmail.com

### Your presentation should be no longer than 15 minutes which includes 3 minutes of Q & A

Please type 'Resident & Fellow Symposium' in the subject line of your email and be sure to include all of your contact information (including your institution) and the title for your presentation in the body of your email.

### The PPT PDF presentation for case reports should include:

- Your name, year of training, and program affiliation
- Pertinent patient history, labs and imaging
- Photomicrographs and microscopic description of the case
- Final diagnosis followed by discussion of the entity and differential diagnosis
- List of references.

### Additional guidelines:

It is the responsibility of the author(s) to ensure that the identity of a patient or numbers associated with a patient are not apparent from the information contained in the presentation.

- Do not use abbreviations in the title or abstract, and limit their use in the text.
- When using acronyms, make certain the full name is spelled out on first use.
- Use International System of Units (SI units)
- Give sources (name of company and location) for all special reagents (e.g., antibodies, enzymes, probes).
- Use generic names of drugs, unless the specific trade name of a drug used is directly relevant to the discussion.
- Follow AMA style for references.
- Reference any web page used for images or data.

### Voting Criteria:

Please take a moment and review the criteria that the board will be looking for when voting on your presentations

- Originality
- Is the presentation well-organized, informative and succinct?
- Are the pictures/diagrams presented pertinent and informative?
- Is this information helpful/applicable for a pathologist in general practice?
- If specialty testing is suggested or required, is it readily available and affordable?
- Are differential diagnoses discussed (i.e., top differential diagnoses and the key distinguishing features discussed?)
- Are diagnostic implications discussed? (i.e., how does diagnosis affect patient management?)
- Is the presentation of appropriate length (i.e., able to be presented in 15 minutes)

### Poster Presentations:

Once the oral presentations are chosen we will send out a link to sign up for anyone interested in bringing their poster to the meeting; we hang all the posters in the conference room and this is a great opportunity for networking and allowing your peers to see all your hard work.



## ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY INSTRUCTOR 2021 – 2022 (Two Positions)

Applications are invited for Anatomic Pathology Instructor positions in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. The successful candidates will join a subspecialized anatomic pathology division supporting the clinical and academic missions of an internationally recognized department. One year of prior fellowship training in surgical pathology or a surgical pathology subspecialty is preferred (senior residents with outstanding record of excellent diagnostic skills will also be considered). **Eligibility for California licensure and for appointment to the Cedars-Sinai Medical Staff is required.**

Positions are **one year in duration** with independent sign-out after initial brief period of supervision and proctoring, coupled with active role in resident education on a daily basis (through scope, gross room and various didactics/conferences), responsibilities in an active intraoperative consultation service and tumor board coverage, with availability of protected time on a weekly basis for preparation for educational responsibilities/ other duties as applicable. Instructors will rotate through core subspecialties, with room for emphasis on subspecialties of interest. In addition, 4 weeks of elective time are granted, which may be used to complete research projects or for subspecialty rotations of personal interest.

The instructor will have the unique opportunity to work with subspecialized pathologists with substantial expertise in their fields, providing both exceptional educational as well as practical experience, emerging with the confidence of independent and competent practicing surgical pathologists in either a community or academic setting, or enter and excel into further subspecialty fellowship training, within or outside our department.

Instructors are employed by Beverly Pathology, an independently contracted pathology group under the Cedars-Sinai Medical Foundation. Cedars-Sinai Medical Center is a multi-specialty academic health science center in Los Angeles and a recognized leader among the nation's most respected organizations, considered the largest private not-for-profit provider of health care on the West Coast, treating more cancer patients than any other medical center in Southern California. The Division of Anatomic Pathology processes over 70,000 surgical and 25,000 cytologic cases annually (both neoplastic and non-neoplastic).

Interested applicants should submit [electronically preferred] a **curriculum vitae, letter of interest, and the names of three references with contact information to:**

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## PATHOLOGY FELLOWSHIP OPENINGS:

- Cytopathology (2021-2022 and 2022-2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*
- Dermatopathology (2022 – 2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*
- GI/Liver Pathology (2022 – 2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*
- GYN, Placental & Perinatal Pathology (2021 – 2022 and 2022 – 2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*
- Hematopathology (2022 – 2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*
- Molecular Genetic Pathology (2022 – 2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*
- Renal Pathology (2022 – 2023) *(Non-ACGME accredited)*
- Surgical Pathology (2022 – 2023) *(Non-ACGME accredited)*
- Transfusion Medicine (2022 – 2023) *(ACGME-accredited)*

Click [here](#) for more information

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### **GYN, Placental & Perinatal Pathology Fellowship Opening for 2021-2022 and 2022 – 2023**

#### **Program Description**

The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine offers a one-year ACGME accredited fellowship program in Gynecologic, Placental and Perinatal Pathology, a section of the Department of Pathology at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. This program provides training in diagnostic gynecologic pathology where the case volume is more than 6,000 gynecologic pathology cases per year, including gyn biopsies, benign gynecologic resection specimens, complex oncologic surgical resections and intraoperative consultations. Cedars-Sinai has a large number of obstetric admissions and high-risk deliveries, averaging 10,000 and 7,000/year, respectively. The program provides ample resources including a generous annual educational stipend and support for clinical and translational research.

#### **Fellow Responsibilities and Requirements**

The fellow will be integrated into all aspects of the clinical practice of Gynecologic and Placental Pathology, including diagnostic interpretation, ordering of ancillary tests (including molecular) and reporting, presentation at interdisciplinary conferences, teaching of residents, interaction with clinical teams, and research. In addition, the fellow will be involved in all perinatal autopsies. Off service time (30%) is given to the fellow for scholarly activities.

Candidates must be eligible for AP/CP or AP boards. California licensure is required at the time of appointment.

#### **Stipends**

Commensurate with the applicant's year of postgraduate training

#### **Program Director**

Fabiola Medeiros, MD

#### **Applications**

Please visit our [website](#) for a complete checklist and more information.

**All materials and inquiries should be addressed to the program coordinator:**

Carrie Domagas, Sr. Academic Coordinator: (310) 423-1610 [carrie.domagas@cshs.org](mailto:carrie.domagas@cshs.org)

## Membership Information

No new members were voted on at the last meeting.

Membership applications are received on a continual basis and are reviewed at the next monthly Board Meeting.

For more information, please contact the Society's Administrator, Shirley Ann Jacke, at 310-746-7212 or [lasopmd@gmail.com](mailto:lasopmd@gmail.com)

*Membership applications are available at:*  
<http://www.lasop.org/pgs/application.htm>



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## Coroner's Corner

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Jonathan Lucas, M.D.  
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[http://coroner.co.la.ca.us/htm/Coroner\\_Home.htm](http://coroner.co.la.ca.us/htm/Coroner_Home.htm)

## Local Grand Rounds Schedule

- **Cedars-Sinai Medical Center**  
In process of being updated
- **City of Hope**  
<http://www.cityofhope.org/education/continuing-medical-education/cme-grand-rounds>
- **Harbor-UCLA**  
<http://www.harborucla.org/cme/calendar.htm>
- **Loma Linda University**  
In process of being updated
- **UC Irvine**  
<http://www.healthaffairs.uci.edu/som/pathology/residencyProgram.html>
- **UCLA**  
<http://www.imedseminar.com/>
- **USC**  
<http://keck.usc.edu/pathology/events/>

### Directions to Moseley Salvatori Conference Center: (Adjacent to Good Samaritan Hospital)

All academic programs will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, with the exception of the January All-Day Program.

The pre-program reception is held between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The academic program will be held in the Sequoia Room beginning at 6:30 p.m. Location of reception/program is the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Moseley Salvatori Conference Center (upstairs from the auditorium), **637 South Lucas Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90017**, (213) 977-2555. Parking is \$8.75 per car.

#### Parking & Directions

Parking is provided in the Conference Center Parking Structure located directly across from the Center on Lucas Avenue. Parking is not valet but the lot is patrolled. Present your parking ticket to the LASOP receptionist in the lobby for a \$1.00 discount, if the ticket is not validated in this manner, the parking charge is \$7.00 as you leave the structure.

From the HARBOR FREEWAY (110) SOUTHBOUND: Take the "Downtown Exit/Wilshire Blvd." off ramp. Take Wilshire Blvd. Turn right onto Wilshire. Proceed West to Lucas Avenue. Turn Right. Parking Structure will be on the right.

From the HARBOR FREEWAY (110) NORTHBOUND: Take the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Exit. Turn Left at Beaudry Avenue. Turn Right at 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn Left on Lucas. Parking Structure is on the left.

OR

Take the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Exit. Turn Right on Flower Street. Turn Right on Wilshire Blvd. Turn Right on Lucas. Parking structure is on the right.



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