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Newsletter of the European Society of Pathology

Dear Colleagues,

We are very pleased to convey to you the third issue of our ESP Newsletter. This issue begins with the presidential address of Prof. Manuel Sobrinho Simões. Following this, comments on two scientific events, being held in Europe in the course of this year, are presented.

Furthermore, announcements of the newly formulated working groups, as well as forthcoming seminars and other tutorial activities of ESP are included.

Do not hesitate to provide us with material on the activities of your department and even share with us, through EuroPath News, your problems. Last but not least, remember that we must increase the number of ESP members; this matter is vital for

the continuity of our society. You can easily use the application form for membership, which is included in each issue of the EuroPath News and encourage the young staff in your department to join us.

With warmest thanks and regards,
The Editors



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Address by the President of the European Society of Pathology, Professor Manuel Sobrinho Simões, Porto, Portugal

Dear Member,

As you may have noticed, the last issue of the ESP Newsletter (May issue of *Virchows Archiv*) included data on four working groups of the ESP: head and neck pathology, endocrine pathology, uropathology, and pulmonary and pleural pathology.

At present the ESP has three additional working groups focusing on gastrointestinal and liver pathology,

gynaecological pathology and cytopathology, and at least one other one (soft tissue and bone pathology) will be created during the Berlin Congress, in September 2001.

Together with some European and/or intercontinental societies of pathology (haematopathology, cardiovascular pathology, paediatric pathology, ...) the working groups of ESP cover the most important fields of pathology and are a crucial tool

for the development of European pathology.

The main objectives of the ESP working groups are the following:

- To establish and support a network of pathologists and pathology institutions throughout Europe
- To stimulate and, whenever appropriate, to consolidate collaborative research work in the respective fields of pathology in all European countries and elsewhere (for instance, Latin America)
- To organize symposia, short courses and slide seminars during the congresses and intercongress meetings of the ESP

- To organize post-graduate courses for residents and pathologists and to collaborate with the ESP within the frame of the European School of Pathology and the European Institute for Continuing Medical Education in Pathology

In case you want to join a working group of the ESP – and I sincerely hope you do – please contact the respective chairperson or the Secretary of our Society, Prof. Jahn Nesland. Please notice that you can be a member of a working group for a 2-year tentative period before joining the ESP as a regular member.

Porto, 19 June 2000



Prof. Dr. Manuel Sobrinho-Simões
President of ESP

First Intercontinental Congress of Pathology, Madeira, May 2000

This Congress was the First Joint Meeting of the European Society of Pathology (ESP) and the Latin American Society of Pathology (SLAP). There were 760 participants: about 500 from Europe, 200 from Latin America and 60 from the USA, Australia, Asia and Africa.

Companion meetings were organized by the Latin American Society of Pediatric Pathology, the Brazilian Society of Pathology on Hematopathology, the Spanish Society of Cytology, and the Portuguese Society of Cytology and by four ESP working groups. The meeting itself included two symposia, six keynote lectures, five slide seminars, eight conferences by distinguished members of both societies entitled “how do I look at?” and, finally, poster sessions with over 200 presentations.

The policy of the Congress was that none of these activities overlap so that everyone was able to follow all of them.

A paper chase through the lovely town of Funchal started the Congress; there was also a quiz on Madeira and pathology and a Latin America versus Europe slide contest.

The cases of the slide seminars and the questions of the quiz were available on Internet before the meeting.

Finally, there were numerous social events in the evenings and a whole-day excursion along the island

in the middle of the week. All these activities were included in the registration fees so that everybody could attend all of them.

The gorgeous flowers all over Funchal contributed greatly to the very pleasant atmosphere of the congress.

Our warmest thanks go to all those who were responsible for the organization and the success of the meeting; we cannot list them all but would like to especially mention the scientific organizer, our president Manuel Sobrinho-Simões and his

group in Oporto, and Francisco Henriques de Gouveia and his collaborators in Funchal. Rosa Henriques did a splendid job in preparing the paper chase; Christian Nezelof showed his wide knowledge of history of pathology in making up the quiz and Juan Rosai's contest was a big hit; actually the two societies ended up with an equal number of points!

Let us end by wishing all the best to our Brazilian friends who are organizing the Second Intercontinental Congress of Pathology in 2004 in Iguazu!

Prof. Rudy Heimann

FIRST INTERCONTINENTAL CONGRESS OF PATHOLOGY MADEIRA 2000



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Ioannina University Courses in Pathology (IUCP)

Thyroid Pathology-Oncology, Ioannina, 22–24 May 2000

The Course on Thyroid Pathology-Oncology of the Ioannina University Courses in Pathology (IUCP) was held in Ioannina from 22–24 May 2000.

As all the previous courses of the IUCP – Prof. Niki Agnantis has been running them, without interruption, since 1996 – the thyroid course was organized under the auspices of the ESP within the frame of the European Institute for Continuing Medical Education (EICME) on a residential basis.

The course took 3 whole days, from 9 A.M. until late in the evening, and was attended by 35 pathologists and residents in pathology who all

participated actively in the discussions following the lectures, the workshops and the slide seminars on “problematic thyroid cases” and “FNA of thyroid lesions”.

The faculty was composed of six pathologists from Italy, Spain and Portugal and 11 endocrinologists, clinicians and pathologists from Greece.

The two main objectives of the course – to bring together young pathologists and experts on thyroid pathology on a tutorial basis and to encourage the active participation of all the colleagues in the discussion of the different issues – were fully achieved.

In the line of the previous pathology courses of the Ioannina University, this was a very successful event from every standpoint: academic, professional and social.

On behalf of the ESP and of the numerous pathologists who have been benefiting from the IUCP, I would like to thank Prof Niki Agnantis and her enthusiastic crew: Drs Vassiliki Malamou-Mitsi, Dimitrios Stefanou, Ann Goussia, Aphrodite Nonni, Lina Pappa, Maria Bafa, Maria Bai, Sofia Dimou, Elli Ioachim, Sevasti Kamina, Eva Sintou-Mantela and Catherine Zioga.

Manuel Sobrinho Simões

Member of the Faculty
and
ESP President



IUCP Thyroid Course May 22–24, 2000

Announcements of the newly formulated working groups of ESP

Working group of endocrine pathology

Gianni Bussolati

The European Group of Endocrine Pathology (E.G.E.P.) was organized in 1997 under the auspices of the European Society of Pathology, with the aim of stimulating and making scientific exchange among pathologists interested in understanding the origin, significance and evolution of lesions of endocrine cells and tissues

more rewarding. A higher reproducibility of the diagnostic classification of endocrine tumours and identification of novel pathological entities are a corollary. At present, Prof Gianni Bussolati is coordinator of this group. In order to speed up circulation of information and projects an internet site has been established at <http://www.pinali.unipd.it/ecep/>. The list of members and further information about this group as well as future activities and meetings can be obtained at the internet site.

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Working group of head and neck pathology

Antonio Cardesa

The idea of establishing a group working on the field of head and neck pathology was proposed to the ESP in 1993 in connection with the Congress of Innsbruck. The ESP Working Group on Head and Neck Pathology had its first meeting in Copenhagen 13–14 May 1994. The

meeting was attended by 14 pathologists from 11 European countries. These were Drs Bang (Norway), Brocheriou (France), Cardesa (Spain), Eveson (U.K.), Fonseca (Portugal), Gale (Slovenia), Hamilton-Therkildsen (Denmark), Hellquist (Sweden), Michaels (U.K.), Pfalz (Switzerland), Seifert (Germany), Simpson (U.K.), Slootweg (The Netherlands) and Soares (Portugal).

Since then, the working group has served the ESP by organizing activi-

ties at the congresses in Copenhagen (1995), Maastricht (1997), and Barcelona (1999). At this last congress the group was responsible for dealing with different specific subjects through the organization of a symposium, a short course, and a slide seminar, having in addition 50 free paper presentations (15 oral and 35 posters).

Furthermore, the working group has stimulated and supported activities on head and neck pathology in different European countries, by helping several national societies with their own activities. Members of the group have participated as invited lecturers at meetings held in the Czech Republic, France, Norway, Portugal, Spain, and the United Kingdom, among other countries. The group also helped organize the Course on Head and Neck Pathology of the European School of Pathology in Torino, Italy, in 1995, by providing the course leaders and speakers. Young pathologists from various European countries have also been trained at the laboratories of different members of the group. Joint research projects among European pathologists have been stimulated by the group and have resulted in various publications, such as the "Criteria for grading in the Ljubljana classification of epithelial hyperplastic laryngeal lesions" (*Histopathology* 1999, 34:226–233).

In May 2000 a session was presented by members of the group at the First Intercontinental Congress of Pathology in Madeira. In May 2000, the group also participated in a 2-day-long course on salivary gland pathology organized in Greece by the University of Ioannina. The group will also be represented at the 31st International Meeting on Epithelial Tumours of the Head and Neck Region, to be held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in December 2000, as well as at the 18th European Congress of Pathology, Berlin 2001, and at the Intercongress Meeting of the ESP, Torino 2002.

The main long-term goals of the group aim to increase the collaboration between European pathologists interested in this field and to im-

prove practice, teaching, and research, in order to achieve excellence.

From the 14 founding members who attended the first meeting 6 years ago, the group has now grown to 44 members, from 18 different countries. It is rewarding to see how the group is developing and the activities are increasing. Those pathologists interested in joining us should contact either Antonio Cardesa (Chairman) or Henrik Hellquist (Secretary).

Prof Antonio Cardesa

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Working group of uropathology

Gregor Mikuz

In recent decades clinical urology has made enormous strides not only in diagnostic and surgical technique but also in more theoretical fields such as urologic endocrinology and oncology. This progress is also based on the scientific work of numerous pathologists, who support modern clinical urology both through their daily routine work as well as through research programs. Modern therapies of testicular, bladder and prostate cancer are based on morphological insight and research work done by pathologists. For this reason a uropathology working group under the auspices of the European Society of Pathology was established.

The main aims of this working group are:

- To support research work in uropathology in all European countries

- To organize symposia, slide seminars and courses during the congresses of the ESP as well as in the years in-between the congresses
- To organize postgraduate courses for young residents as well as for specialists
- To establish and support contacts among all European pathologists working in this field
- To maintain contact with EORTC groups.

The members of the uropathology working group should, of course, also be members of the ESP and should observe the by-laws of this society.

During the ESP Congress in Barcelona, a business-meeting of the uropathology working group provided an opportunity for all colleagues interested in working in this group to discuss goals and future activities. After a very interesting and stimulating discussion the officers were elected.

In accordance with a suggestion of the executive committee of the ESP and in agreement with the group concerned (represented by Prof Mihatsch) the uropathology working group will also include the official activities of the nephropathologists (non-neoplastic kidney).

The first "official" activity of the uropathology working group was the seminar on prostate pathology held as part of the Ioannina Courses in Pathology organized by Prof Niki Agnantis. The next meeting will be held in Madeira.

Any and all colleagues who wish to be placed on the mailing list should contact the secretary.

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Working group of pulmonary pathology

Helmut H Popper

By circulars the coordinating committee together with the officers of the ESP and the local organizer of the next ESP congress have reached an agreement on implementing our programme into the congress schedule of the Berlin congress.

There will be lectures on recent advances in research in pulmonary pathology as a preconference meeting (Saturday, 8 September 2001) and update lectures on tumour and non-tumourous lung diseases as well as several slide seminars. In addition there will be poster sessions.

The working group is now organizing a list of addresses of pulmonary pathologists in Europe, including research and training centres in pulmonary pathology. When the list is finished, it will be available by internet and should be suitable for organizing research collaborations in

Europe more easily as well as in serving education in pulmonary pathology.

At the moment the following countries are represented by members in the working group: UK, France, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Bulgaria, and Turkey. We are still looking for representatives from all other European countries.

As the next goal, the working group is planning a meeting in 2002 (intercongress meeting). We have preliminarily chosen Graz as a possible location, but since the ESP is also discussing Turin as a meeting place for all working groups, we may have to reconsider this. The working group meeting will be divided into three different parts:

1. 1–2 days of research presentations (usually platforms)
2. 2 days of slide courses dealing with most lung diseases
3. A course on microarray technology with practical exercises; 3 days for 1–4 hours per day.

All suggestions are welcome. Direct your messages or inquiries to:

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Working group of cytopathology

Fernando Schmitt

Dear Colleagues,

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the European Society of Pathology on Madeira, a working group on cytopathology of the ESP was established. As you know the ESP already has functioning several working groups (head and neck pathology, endocrine pathology, gastrointestinal and liver pathology, gynaecological pathology, uropathology and lung pathology) that are responsible for the scientific activities of these specialities not only during the ESP Congresses but also at the intercongress meetings supported by the ESP.

As chairman and co-chairperson's (Profs Lambert Skoog and Ednéia Tani from Sweden) of the working group on cytopathology we would like to invite you to participate actively in the activities of our group. Please feel free to send us suggestions for the scientific programme of our group and, if you are interested in joining us, please attend the first business meeting of the cytopathology working group of the ESP that will be held during the Berlin congress.

Thanking you in advance,
I remain
With best personal regards,

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Working group of gynaecology

Manfred Dietel

A new working group of the European Society of Pathology on gynaecological pathology was established during the First Intercontinental Congress of Pathology in Madeira, May 2000. It has been named the Robert Meyer Club. The founding members of the group are Prof Dr M Dietel, Germany (provisional chairman), Prof. Dr. S. Hauptmann, Germany, Prof. Dr. S. Lax, Austria, Prof. Dr. F. Nogales, Spain, Prof. Dr. E. Sivridis, Greece, and Prof. Dr. M. Wells, UK.

The aims of the group are the pooling of tumour material for research and the organization of multi-centre European studies, incorporation of gynaecologists to improve clinical pathological research, the establishment of reference centres and co-operation with international organizations such as the WHO, FIGO, UICC, and ISGP to achieve consensus meetings on classifications and grading systems. An important activity will be postgraduate teaching and teaching in less-privileged countries. The next activities will be:

- 2001 Election of a chairman during the ESP Congress in Berlin
- 2002 First congress of the Robert Meyer Club in Granada

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**Postgraduate courses
in theoretical and diagnostic
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(Part III)**

6–10 September 2000,
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Slide seminar in the Internet

Diagnostic histopathology cases presented at the European School of Pathology courses in Turin are going to be shown via Internet.

**You are kindly invited to visit the site at
<http://www.isi.it/pathology/index.htm>.**

In *Europath News* 2/2000 the editors announced in their opening letter that the Presidential Address by Prof. Manuel Simões would appear at the front of that issue of *Virchows*. Unfortunately, this was neglected during production. Please accept the publisher's apology for this.



European School of Pathology

Ovarian pathology Gastro-intestinal pathology

Prof. J. Prat, Barcelona

Prof. K. Geboes, Leuven

September
21-28

Turin, Italy

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1994 Hematopathology
Uterine pathology
Breast pathology
1995 Quantitative pathology
Neuropathology
Head & neck pathology
1996 Urology
Dermatopathology (neopl)
1997 Tumors of liver & pancreas
Tumors of GI tract
1998 Soft tissue tumors
Breast pathology
1999 Lung pathology
Cytopathology

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2002 Thyroid & parathyroid path.
Head & Neck pathology
2003 Pathology of the pancreas
Pathology of the liver

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- ☐ Sept 21 - 23
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Date.....

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October 5 - 9, 2001

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I look forward to greeting you in Delphi.

George Kontogeorgos M.D.

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The European Society of Pathology

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Dear Colleague,

It will surely not have escaped your attention that *Virchows Archiv* is now the Official Journal of the European Society of Pathology.

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We look forward to welcoming you as a member in 2000.

Yours sincerely

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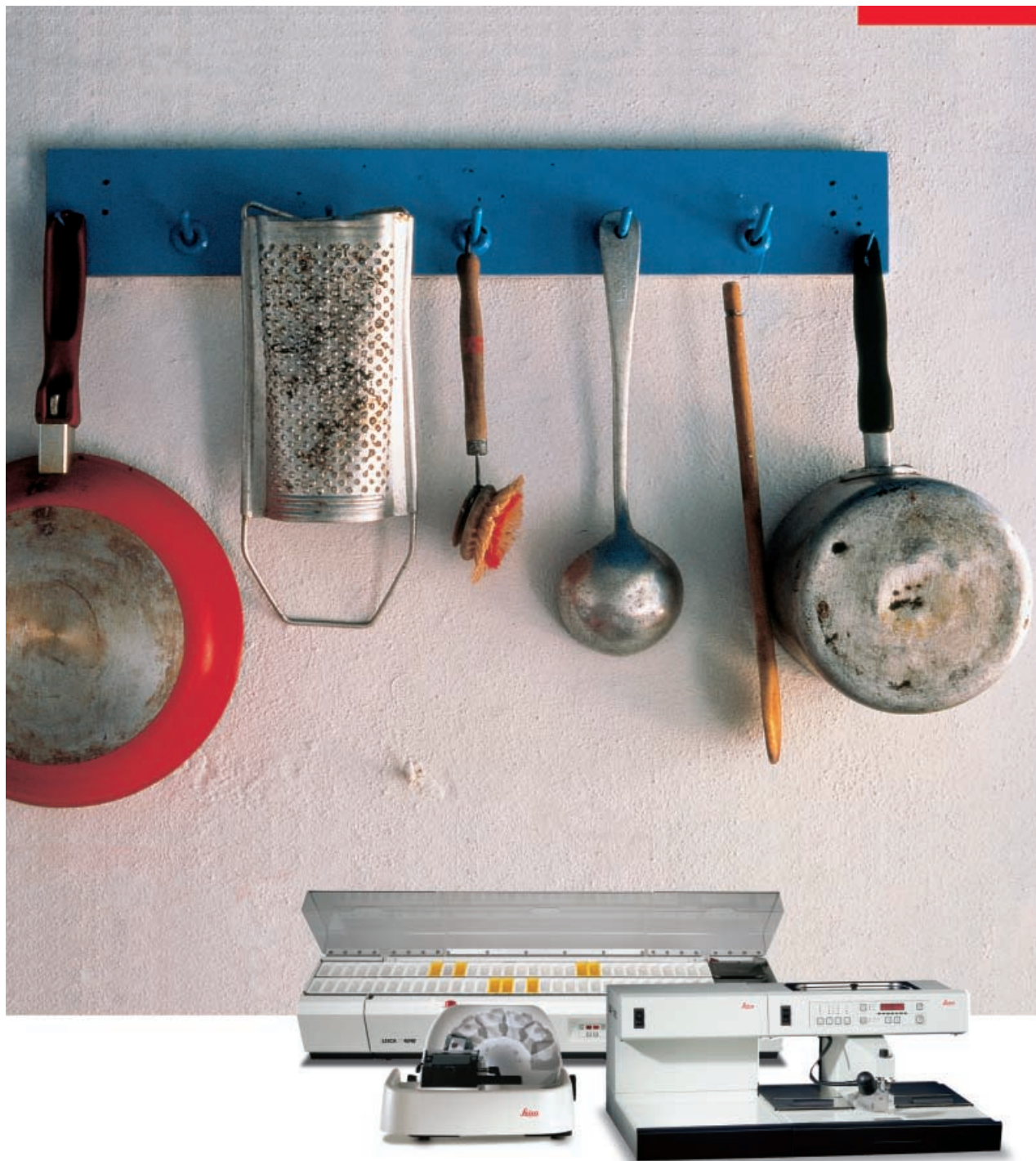
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