



# UCSF PATHOLOGY ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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## Current Issues Announcement

Dear Alumni and Colleagues,

After a two-year COVID induced hiatus, the UCSF Pathology Current Issues course is returning in 2022!

We are planning a virtual course in four installments this year. The first two dates will occur around our traditional time block bracketing the Memorial Day weekend. Thursday, May 26th will focus on Cytopathology, and Friday, May 27th will be Surgical Pathology topics centered on GI pathology.

These will be morning half day virtual sessions, including live question and answer periods following each presentation. We are also thrilled to include Joel Greenson, MD (University of Michigan) as our Henry Moon speaker for 2022. Joel will join and be part of the May 27th GI focused course.

Two additional fall half day virtual offerings will occur on Friday September 16, with a fourth session planned for early to mid-November (exact date to follow).

We appreciate your past support and are thrilled and excited to present high quality, diagnostic CME pathology updates to you again in 2022. Please save the dates and stay tuned for additional information from us and the UCSF CME office.

Best Regards,

Steve Long, Course chair

Co-chairs: Linda Ferrell, Laura Tabatabai, Melike Pekmeczi, Joe Rabban, Sarah Umetsu

## Awards

The Dermatopathology division is happy to announce that both of their fellows were award recipients for best abstracts by a Physician-in-Training at the 58th Annual Meeting American Society of Dermatopathology (ASDP) virtual meeting:

**Kathleen M. Sheahon, MD.** The Ciliation Index is an Informative Morphologic Diagnostic Tool that Compliments Expert Review

**Erik A. Williams, MD.** Integrated Analysis of Comprehensive Genomic Profiling and PD-L1 Immunohistochemistry in Melanoma

# Awards and Other Events

The American Society of Cytopathology (ASC) awarded **Lauren Eversmeyer MD**, cytology fellow 2021-22, the 2021 Quality Improvement in Cytology Abstract Award honoring the best scientific paper in innovative approaches to cytology practice. Her coauthors were: Poonam Vohra MD, Britt-Marie E. Ljung MD, and Ronald Balassanian MD, and the abstract was titled: Spectacular Cell Blocks: The Pull Back Technique for Producing Core Biopsy Equivalent FNA Cell Blocks.



The United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology selected **Neslihan Kayroklioglu** for a coveted USCAP Travel Award of \$1000, funded through USCAP Foundation Committee with the purpose to support trainees attendance at USCAP. Dr Kayroklioglu will be recognized for this honor at USCAP Foundation Reception and will be presenting two abstracts at the upcoming USCAP Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, Mar 19-24, 2022. Her name and abstracts were selected and submitted to USCAP by our UCSF Residency Advisory Committee for consideration for this award.

Platform: Molecular Characterization of High-Risk Human Papilloma Virus-Positive Carcinomas of the Urethra and Urothelial Tract.

Neslihan Kayraklioglu, W. Patrick Devine, Bradley Stohr, Emily Chan

Poster: Comprehensive Molecular Characterization of Recurrent Low Grade / Low Stage Endometrial Endometrioid Carcinomas.

Neslihan Kayraklioglu, W. Patrick Devine, Nicholas Ladwig, Karuna Garg, Jocelyn S. Chapman, Joseph T. Rabban

Neslihan was also recently selected to a 2-year term as a trainee representative by the Education Committee of the International Society of Gynecological Pathologists, which is the flagship organization in this specialty area.

# New Faculty



Christopher Schwartz, DO, was born and raised in Vienna, West Virginia. Dr. Schwartz was an anatomic pathology resident (and chief resident) at NYU Langone Medical Center and completed a dual fellowship at Memorial Sloan Kettering in general oncologic surgical pathology and breast pathology. Dr. Schwartz is passionate about translational research in breast cancer.

He was recently recognized by ASCP in their 40 under 40 list:

<https://www.ascp.org/content/get-involved/get-recognized/40-under-forty>

## ASC Newsletter



### Meeting Summary:

UCSF had strong participation at the American Society of Cytopathology (ASC) Annual Scientific Meeting held virtually and safely in-person in Las Vegas. For those who chose to participate in person, confirmation of Covid vaccination was required prior to the meeting and a set of 5 colorful masks were included in the material handed out at the registration desk.

For those of us who could attend, it was great to be able to safely return to in-person meetings and reconnect with our cytology colleagues. There were several highlights at this meeting. Lauren Eversmeyer, along with Poonam Vohra, Britt-Marie Ljung and Ron Balassanian won an award for their poster titled "Spectacular Cell Blocks: The Pull-Back Technique for Producing Core Biopsy Equivalent FNA Cell Blocks". The award was for the 2021 Quality Improvement in Cytology Abstract Award for the best scientific paper in innovative approaches to cytology practice. The poster is now hanging on the wall outside the PCMB Cytology Offices. Stop by and check it out.

# ASC Newsletter

Poonam Vohra, who is a member of the board for the Paris System for Urine cytology, led a new short course on urine cytology, with the very smart approach of inviting a UCSF urologist, Sima Porten to discuss management of patients with indeterminate urine cytology. Along with Christopher VandenBussche from Johns Hopkins, they were able to make atypical urine cytology interesting!

Another highlight was the workshop on “Ultrasound guided FNA” led by Ron Balassanian along with Steve Long, Roberto Ruiz-Cordero, Poonam Vohra, Gioia Iezza, and cytology fellows Lauren Eversmeyer and Carlo de La Sancha Verduzco. This workshop has been renewed 10 years in a row, setting a record for the ASC meeting. The workshop has been a great way for nearly all the UCSF cytology faculty and fellows to participate at the meeting as faculty presenters. It also remains a very popular course with the meeting participants.

Video Microscopy Tutorials were led by Poonam Vohra on Anal Cytology and by Roberto Ruiz-Cordero, along with Josh Menke (now at Stanford), on FNA biopsy of lymphoma. There were several social events. The gathering for first time attendees was held on an outdoor patio and gave newcomers a chance to meet senior people in the ASC. The President’s Welcome Reception on Friday was followed by the ASC Foundation Reception on Saturday. With approval in advance, the UCSF participants were able to celebrate and recognize each other’s accomplishments with a lovely group dinner, seated safely outdoors at Bottiglia restaurant. It was really wonderful to relax and celebrate together, recognizing all we have been through and all we have accomplished as group at UCSF.

## ASC UCSF Master Schedule

Thursday - 11/11/21

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	<b>State of the Society Address</b>	Güliz A. Barkan, MD Robert A. Goulart, MD Michele A. Smith, MS, SCT(ASCP) Martha B. Pitman, MD
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Leopold Kass Lectureship</b>	Eve J. Higginbotham, SM, MD, ML
4:15 pm - 4:30 pm Grand Ballroom I & II	<b>Platform Session:</b> Comparison of Perspectives on an Unified Cytopathology Fellowship Recruitment: Results of the ASC Cytopathology Program Director and Trainee Surveys 2021	Israh Akhtar, MD Roseann Wu, MD, MPH Kamal K. Khurana, MD Samer Khader, MD <b>Elham Khanafshar, MD</b> Caroline Abramovich, MD Diva R. Salomao, MD Cecilia Gimenez, MD Wafaa A. Elatre, MD, MPH Kim A. Ely, 4062648, MD Sara E. Monaco, MD

# ASC UCSF Master Schedule contd.

Friday - 11/12/21

7:30 am - 8:30 am	JASC Editorial Board Meeting	Ronald Balassanian, MD Poonam Vohra, MD
9:30 am - 11:00 am El Viento IV	TTT01 Teach the Teacher	Britt- Marie E. Ljung, MD Sarah M. Calkins, MD Poonam Vohra, MD Effective Methods for Teaching and Troubleshooting Techniques of Fine Needle Aspiration Procurement
9:30 am El Viento I	ASC Foundation Board Meeting	Ronald Balassanian, MD
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	State of the Art Symposium: All in for Patient Safety! A Team Approach to Quality Improvement in Our Laboratories.	<u>Moderators:</u> Michiya Nishino, MD, PhD Vivian L. Weiss, MD, PhD <u>Speakers:</u> Yael K. Heher, MD, MPH, FRCP(C) Adam Seegmiller, MD, PhD Paul A. VanderLaan, MD, PhD
4:30 pm - 6:00pm La Sirena I & II	US01 Ultrasound FNA Course	Ronald Balassanian, MD Steven R. Long, MD Roberto Ruiz-Cordero, MD Poonam Vohra, MD Giola Iezza, MD Lauren Eversmeyer, MD Brent Molden, MD Carlo de La Sancha Verduzco, MD
4:30 pm - 6:00pm La Sirena II & III	SC05 Short Course	Poonam Vohra, MD Sima Porten, MD, MPH Christopher VandenBussche, MD, PhD "Selective Urine Cytology" Specimens: a Case-Based Discussion with a Urologist's Perspective
6:00 pm - 8:00pm	President's Welcome Reception	
7:30pm	The Paris System for Reporting Urinary Cytopathology	Poonam Vohra, MD Z. Laura Tabatabai, MD
8:00 pm	Dinner for all Presenters at Bottiglia Green Valley Ranch (2300 Paseo Verde Pkwy, Henderson, NV 89052)	

# ASC UCSF Master Schedule contd.

## Saturday - 11/13/21

8:00 am - 9:00 am	<b>ASC Business Meeting &amp; Awards Presentation</b>	
9:00 am - 9:30 am	<b>Papanicolaou Address</b>	Eva M. Wojcik, MD, MIAC
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	<b>Diagnostic Cytology Seminar</b>	<p><u>Moderators:</u> Kristen A. Atkins, MD Amy J. Spiczka, MS, SCT, MB, HTL (ASCP)</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Sinchita Roy-Chowdhuri, MD, PhD Eric C. Huang, MD Valerie Fitzhugh, MD Kalyani Naik, MS, SCT(ASCP)</p>
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Diagnostic Cytology Seminar contd.</b>	<p><u>Moderators:</u> Kristen A. Atkins, MD Amy J. Spiczka, MS, SCT, MB, HTL (ASCP)</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Sinchita Roy-Chowdhuri, MD, PhD Eric C. Huang, MD Valerie Fitzhugh, MD Kalyani Naik, MS, SCT(ASCP)</p>
7:00 pm - 9:30 pm	<b>Foundation Reception</b>	

## Sunday - 11/14/21

7:00 am - 8:30 am La Cascada I	<b>VMT12</b> <b>Video Microscopy Tutorial</b>	<p><b>Britt-Marie E. Ljung, MD</b> <b>Roberto Ruiz-Cordero, MD</b> <b>Steve Long, MD</b> Joshua Menke, MD Fine Needle Aspiration Biopsy (FNAB) of Lymphoma: Optimizing Small Volume Biopsies for Morphology and Advanced Ancillary Studies</p>
11:00 am - 12:30 pm La Cascada I	<b>VMT16</b> <b>Video Microscopy Tutorial</b>	<p><b>Poonam Vohra, MD</b> "Anal Cytology": A Case Based Discussion</p>

# ASC UCSF Master Schedule contd.

## Posters

### Virtual Viewing

[PST117] Spectacular Cell Blocks: The Pull Back Technique for Producing Core Biopsy Equivalent FNA Cell Blocks	<b>Lauren Eversmeyer, MD</b> <b>Poonam Vohra, MD</b> <b>Britt-Marie E. Ljung, MD</b> <b>Ronald Balassanian, MD</b>
[PST040] Cytologic Features of Micropapillary Variant Urothelial Carcinoma in Urinary Tract Cytology	<b>Nancy Greenland, MD</b> <b>Yue Peng, MD</b> <b>Poonam Vohra, MD</b> <b>Z. Laura L. Tabatabai, MD</b>
[PST042] Performance of the Paris System for Reporting Urinary Cytology (TPS) in the Upper Urinary Tract Cytology - An Institutional Experience at a General Hospital	<b>Chien-Kuang Cornelia Ding, MD, PhD</b> <b>Hannah Lee, DO, MS</b> <b>Z. Laura L. Tabatabai, MD</b> <b>Nancy Y. Greenland, MD, PhD</b> <b>Poonam Vohra, MD</b>

## 2022 USCAP Annual Meeting



**Registration**

**Hotel Booking**

**Program**