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SALZBURG CLEVELAND CLINIC SEMINAR IN PATHOLOGY

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37 fellows from 26 different countries
8 faculty members from the USA and Austria
20 lectures given by faculty
35 interesting case presentations by fellows
7 excellent case presentations by fellows

Group Photo of Faculty and Fellows

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Salzburg Cleveland Clinic Seminar in Pathology
Sunday, November 20 – Saturday, November 26, 2022

		Sunday 20.11.2022	Monday 21.11.2022	Tuesday 22.11.2022	Wednesday 23.11.2022	Thursday 24.11.2022	Friday 25.11.2022	Saturday 26.11.2022
07:00	08:00		**BREAKFAST**	**BREAKFAST**	**BREAKFAST**	**BREAKFAST**	**BREAKFAST**	**DEPARTURES**
08:00	09:00		**Introductions** **Pre-Seminar Test**	**HPB/P Pathology I** Clifton Fulmer, MD, PhD	**Breast Pathology** Zsuzsanna Bago-Horvath, MD, PhD	**Perinatal II** Amy McKenney, MD	**Flat Urothelial Lesions with Atypia** Jesse McKenney, MD	
09:00	10:00		**Grading of Prostatic Adenocarcinoma** Jesse McKenney, MD	**Gestational Trophoblastic Disease** Amy McKenney, MD	**Medical Renal Disease** Renate Kain, MD, PhD	**Common Differential Considerations in the Histologic Diagnosis of Salivary Gland Tumors** Christopher Griffith, MD, PhD	**HPB/P Pathology III** Clifton Fulmer, MD, PhD	
10:00	10:30		**COFFEE BREAK**	**COFFEE BREAK**	**COFFEE BREAK**	**COFFEE BREAK**	**COFFEE BREAK**	
10:30	11:30		**Challenges in the Diagnosis of Follicular Patterned Thyroid Neoplasms** Christopher Griffith, MD, PhD	**HPB/P Pathology II** Clifton Fulmer, MD, PhD	**Mimics of Urothelial Neoplasia** Eva Compérat, MD	**Perinatal III** Amy McKenney, MD	**Germ Cell Tumors of the Testis: Morphologic Diagnosis** Jesse McKenney, MD	
11:30	12:30		**Eosinophilic Tumors of the Kidney** Jesse McKenney, MD	**Perinatal I** Amy McKenney, MD	**Perinatal Pathology** Anke Scharrer, MD	**Squamous Dysplasia and Squamous Cell Carcinoma Variants of the Head and Neck** Christopher Griffith, MD, PhD	**HPB/P Pathology IV** Clifton Fulmer, MD, PhD	
12:30	14:00		**LUNCH**	**LUNCH**	**LUNCH**	**LUNCH**	**LUNCH**	
14:00	15:00		**Diagnosis and Ancillary Testing in Human Papillomavirus Associated Carcinomas of the Head and Neck** Christopher Griffith, MD, PhD	**Workshop** Fellows' Case Presentations	**Free Afternoon**	**Workshop** Fellows' Case Presentations	**Post-Seminar Test** Evaluation & Discussion	
15:00	16:00		**Workshop** How to Present a Case					
16:00	17:00		**Workshop** Case Presentations by Faculty to Fellows					
17:00	18:00		*17:00 - 17:15* **OMI Presentation**					
18:00	19:00	**FACULTY MEETING TO REVIEW THE WEEK**					**FAREWELL RECEPTION**	
19:00	20:00	**WELCOME RECEPTION & DINNER**	**DINNER**	**DINNER**	**DINNER**	**DINNER**	**GRADUATION DINNER** Certificates Awarded	
20:00	21:00					*20:30 - 21:30* **CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT**		

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FACULTY BOOKLET

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Amy McKenney, MD was born in Tallahassee, Florida. Her first love was ballet, she was a Joffrey Ballet trainee in New York City before attending Brown University, where she graduated with a degree in Biology. She went to medical school at Harvard and did her residency in Anatomic Pathology at the University of California, San Francisco. She completed fellowships in surgical pathology at UCSF, Hematopathology at Stanford (where she met husband Jesse), and pediatric pathology at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, Texas. Her first academic position was at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock, Arkansas, where she practiced pediatric and hematopathology. She and Jesse had their first two children in Little Rock, Madeleine and Hannah Jane, and then returned to Palo Alto to join the pathology faculty at Stanford, where Amy continued her focus in hemepath and perinatal pathology. She enjoyed working with the Children's Oncology Group as a central reviewer for AML trials. Their son Ennis was born in California, and in 2012 they moved to Cleveland to join the Cleveland Clinic. Amy’s textbook for Amirsys (Elsevier) - "Diagnostic Pathology- Placenta" was published in 2015. She balances signing out placentas with raising their three kids, and occasionally gets to return to the ballet studio to choreograph for the City Ballet of Cleveland.

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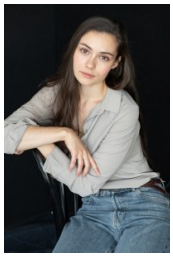

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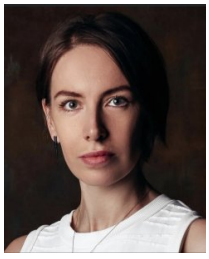

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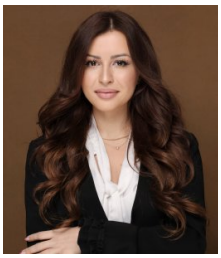

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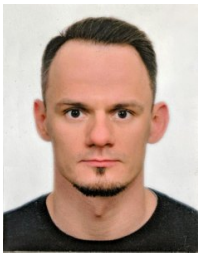

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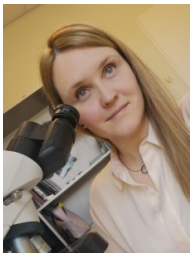

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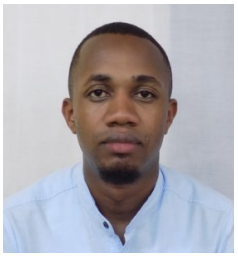

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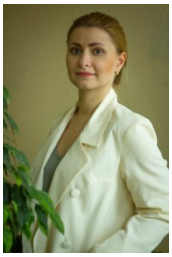

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Sunday, November 20, 2022

My trip to Salzburg began at the main bus station in Ljubljana. To be honest, I was overly excited as the departure time approached. The bus trip itself went smoothly and took around four hours, passing through the beautiful alpine landscape. Arriving in Salzburg, I was eager to set sight on the familiar and mighty silhouette of Schloss Arenberg. The reception staff were very kind and briefed me on the evening agenda (and everything else you might need to know). I then quickly hopped to my room to change into more formal clothing before meeting both familiar and unfamiliar faces in the lobby. The champagne was a hit and helped calm the nerves. Following the welcome speech of Dr. Aulitzky and the faculty, we went straight to a delicious dinner. The conversation among colleagues kicked off instantly - what a week it will be, I said to myself, before falling into a deep sleep.

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Monday, November 21, 2022

Beep beep beep. It's 6:30 in the morning, just the right time to get ready for the day and have a delicious breakfast before the lectures start. The educational part of the day began with a pre-seminar test, then greetings from the course director, Dr. Jesse McKenney. We discussed the grading system of prostate adenocarcinoma and how we fuss about things we really needn't fuss about. Since our brains haven't yet adapted to the face paced learning environment, a coffee break was much appreciated (and needed, too!). We then dove into the world of thyroid pathology with Dr. Chris Griffith, followed by Dr. McKenney's lecture on eosinophilic tumors of the kidney. It was all fascinating! After lunch (and more coffee), we discussed HPV-related neoplasia of the head and neck, then received some useful and practical tips on how to present a case. The lectures concluded with a presentation about the OMI. Hearing about all the opportunities, I once again considered myself honored to be a part of this seminar as a fellow. I spent the late afternoon chasing the last sunrays and taking photos on the Kapuzinerberg. I returned just in time for dinner (the perfect opportunity to meet more fellows from across the globe). I briefly amended my presentation slides according to the tips from today (thanks, Dr. McKenney!) before dozing off.

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

Presentation day! That was my first thought when I woke up. The lectures kicked off with a curated course of hepato-biliary pathology by Dr. Clifton Fulmer and continued with Dr. Amy McKenney, who masterfully guided us through the unknown waters of gestational and perinatal pathology. There is something about the way the American faculty lecture, I thought to myself! Following lunch was the first batch of case presentations and we sure did hear it all, covering everything from common topics to bizarre oddities and curiosities. Kudos to all the presenters! Then, we visited the Augustinerbräu, which is a must if you are a beer lover!

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

Time really flies. Wednesday already?! I woke up and needed an extra dose of coffee at breakfast. The lectures were all delivered by European faculty members, Dr. Bago-Horvath on breast pathology, Dr. Compérat on uropathology, and Dr. Renate Kain on medical renal disease. They all managed to deliver their lectures clearly, answer all the questions, and yet still finished precisely on time. Following lunch, we had a free afternoon. Some fellows visited Hallstatt while others opted for a trip to the city. However, I climbed the Gaisberg mountain in fresh powdery snow. The views from the top are amazing and well worth it, though (even if you take the bus all the way up). I came back to the schloss absolutely starving, thank God for the amazing dinner.

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Thursday, November 24, 2022

There is always so much to discuss with colleagues and so little time to do it (especially if you sleep through breakfast). The lectures kicked off with perinatal pathology by the amazing Dr. Amy McKenney, followed by the fascinating world of salivary gland pathology and squamous neoplasia in the head and neck, presented by Dr. Griffith. We did our best to stick to the schedule, but so many questions kept popping up. The afternoon was reserved for the second batch of fellows' case presentations. We were so busy disucssing all the cases and before I realized it, almost three hours had passed. By the time we finished, the rain had stopped pouring down outside and we opted to go to the Christmas market in the city center. In the late evening, we attended the fascinating chamber music concert in the Grand Hall. The atmosphere and performance quality were top-notch! A glass of wine at the end of the concert kicked off another round of lively discussions. Just out of curiosity, I glanced at the schedule only to realize there will be a post-seminar test tomorrow. Time to hop into bed and get some restorative sleep before the final day!

Friday, November 25, 2022

The grand finale! After four days of high-yield lectures, case presentations, and social activities, it has all begun to take it's toll and I feel quite exhausted. Drs. McKenney and Fulmer gave excellent talks pertaining to uro- and hepatobiliary pathology. We all took the post-seminar test confidently and successfully finished the seminar. Three cheers to us and the faculty! I spent the afternoon strolling around the city center, not wanting to leave quite yet. The graduation dinner was fancier than the other dinners were and we felt like a group of noblemen. As the seminar came to a close, my heart was filled with profound gratitude, as you do not encounter such opportunities very often in your life. As someone once put it: "The best things in life are free, while the second-best things are the most expensive".

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Sunday, November 20, 2022

Throughout Sunday afternoon, all the fellows arrived to Schloss Arenberg, which is near the Salzburg city center. We were accommodated in nicely furnished and comfortable single rooms and received all the information about the seminar week. At 7:00 pm, we met the faculty members, the OMI staff, and all the other fellows from different countries. We enjoyed a great dinner and a pleasant evening.

Monday, November 21, 2022

We all met around 7:00 am to have breakfast together. Our morning started with the pre-seminar test and followed with lectures. The first lecture, by Dr. McKenney, was about the grading of prostatic carcinoma, which was very practical and useful. We learned the different patterns of Gleason grades and its importance for the prognosis and further management. After a coffee break, we enjoyed a great lecture about the classification of thyroid tumors, presented by Dr. Griffith. Additionally, there was a very interesting lecture about eosinophilic tumors, which can be found in kidneys. After lunch, Dr. Griffith spoke about the role of HPV in oropharynx and the other localizations in head and neck. We appreciated the practical advice for case presentations given to us by Dr. McKenney. We then enjoyed a short walk around Schloss Arenberg and a great dinner.

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Tuesday, November 22, 2022

During the morning, we had the great opportunity to get insight into the basics of liver biopsy interpretation. I really enjoyed the lectures from Dr. Fulmer and learned the morphology of NAFLD and autoimmune hepatitis. We also learned how important clinical correlation is. Both lectures from Dr. McKenney focused on gestational trophoblastic disease and placental pathology, which were amazing and very understandable even to those of us who have no experience with perinatal pathology at all. During the afternoon, half of the fellows presented their case presentations and many colleagues shared really interesting diagnoses.

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

The morning program was varied, as we started with a breast pathology lesson from Dr. Bago-Horvath. The practical approach to the breast lecture was very useful to me. I also enjoyed the lesson about medical kidney disease from Dr. Kain, as it was aimed at peritumoral lesions in kidneys, which every surgical pathologist may encounter. After the coffee break, we continued with urologic pathology, and the lecture from Dr. Compérat about mimics of urothelial neoplasia was very helpful, showing a wide spectrum of benign and problematic lesions and talking about the practical approach to it. The last lecture from Dr. Scharrer about perinatal pathology was very interesting, especially for those of us who do not deal with perinatal pathology at all. During the afternoon, some fellows enjoyed a trip to the historical village of Hallstatt, while others walked to the Hohensalzburg fortress or to the Salzburg city center where the Christmas markets have already opened.

Thursday, November 24, 2022

During the morning, we continued with two lectures on perinatal pathology from Dr. McKenney, then moved into head and neck pathology, including an opportunity to increase our knowledge of salivary gland tumors via the lesson from Dr. Griffith, which was very helpful. We then saw how similar the appearance of benign and malignant lesions in squamous epithelium of head and neck can be, which was kind of scary. In the afternoon, we enjoyed the case presentations from fellows and the day ended with a great dinner and an amazing chamber music concert right here in Schloss Arenberg, just for the fellows. It was a touching experience.

Friday, November 25, 2022

Today we enjoyed two uropathologic lessons from Dr. McKenney about flat urothelial lesions and testicular germ cell tumors, as well as two lessons aimed at the pathology of the pancreas. After lunch, we did the post-seminar test, which I really hope we improved on. In the evening, we had a very nice graduation dinner and a farewell reception with a great atmosphere. Looking back at the week, I learned so much practical information and tips from many specialists, as well as received insight into interesting subspecialities of pathology. I am very grateful I could take part in this amazing seminar and widen my knowledge, as well as meet great faculty members who were always ready to share their knowledge with us. In addition, it was a great opportunity to meet nice colleagues from other countries and make new friends. Thank you very much OMI!

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