

ESP advanced training centre for Soft Tissue Pathology

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The pathology of soft tissue neoplasms holds a central position in routine diagnostic histopathology and includes the evaluation of both biopsy and surgical specimens of neoplastic diseases including benign tumors and sarcomas. This area of diagnostic pathology has attended tremendous evolution and developments during the last two decades, which resulted into a revolutionization of the taxonomy and nosology of soft tissue tumors.

The institute of Pathology in Erlangen serves several big clinical centres including certified sarcoma Center. In addition, Prof. Agaimy (Head of the training program) receives > 1000 second opinion cases covering all areas of soft tissue pathology including benign tumors and sarcomas of diverse types, both common and rare. He is an internationally recognized authority in soft tissue pathology. Moreover, the institute possesses a large modern immunohistochemistry lab covering all relevant immunomarkers in the workup of soft tissue tumors as well as a modern molecular pathology lab that covers all relevant DNA- and RNA-based genetic testings including both classical FISH tests and NGS platforms.

Accordingly, the fellow will be exposed to biopsy and surgical specimen pathology covering all areas of the soft tissue including the routine daily cases as well as consultation cases, supplemented by the above-mentioned modern diagnostic tools such as IHC and molecular testing.

All members of the team at the institute are actively involved in national and international networks. The team has extensive experience in supporting and taking care of international visitors regarding their stay in Erlangen. The institute has already hosted several Giordano fellows during the last couple of years in the topics of uropathology (Prof. Hartmann) and nephropathology (Prof. Amann). Teaching languages are German or English, a good knowledge of one of the two languages is prerequisite. The training course will include beside the head and neck pathology also specific techniques of Molecular Pathology and will give the fellow insight in the research program at the Institute of Pathology.

Erlangen is located in the northern part of Bavaria in Germany near the city of Nuremberg and has 120.000 inhabitants. It is a city with small distances and a highly developed public transportation system. Distance to the airport Nuremberg is 20 km. The University of Erlangen-Nuremberg and the Institute of Pathology supports international visitors in all aspects of their visits.

Area of training:

All aspects of soft tissue pathology (including molecular pathology).

Position:

One position for 3 months will be available during the year.

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