

European Advanced Training Centre for Gynaecologic Pathology

Name of the centre:

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Chair of the Centre:

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Head of training programme:

Prof. T. Bosse

Details about specific areas in which training can be offered.

The LUMC is tertiary referral centre for gynaecologic pathology. Prof Bosse is a consultant pathologists, specialized in gynaecologic pathology, providing reference pathology at national and international level. He receives > 200 consultation cases for gynaecologic pathology per year. Moreover, as the LUMC is sponsor of several practice changing oncology trials (PORTEC and RAINBO trials), a large proportion of all endometrial carcinomas are being send to Prof. Bosse as central trial pathologist. He had an important contribution to the 2020 and 2025 WHO classification of Female Genital Tumours, and he has delivered multiple educational lectures on gynaecologic pathology, for instance at ECP, ESGO, BAGP and USCAP. The Giordano fellow will attend his daily sign-out, which will give exposure to the regular diagnostic case load of the LUMC. In addition, the fellow can study the consultation cases sent to Prof. Bosse. The fellow can participate in the analysis of molecular diagnostic tests for gynaecologic malignancies. In addition, the fellow can study the educational case files that have been collected over the past years.

Prof Bosse also leads a research group on gynaecologic pathology, aiming at elucidating molecular alterations underlying endometrial carcinogenesis in order to establish improved diagnosis, prognosis and treatment for patients with gynaecologic malignancies. The fellow can join weekly journal club and research meetings to get exposure to state-of-the art research in the gynaecologic pathology field. Depending on the interest of the fellow, and the length of the fellowship, a (small) research project may be performed independently by the fellow or in close collaboration with one of the PhD candidates.

In the past few years already multiple foreign pathologists (Italy, Portugal, Turkey, Malesia) have visited the Department of Pathology LUMC to do a fellowship on gynaecologic pathology. Upon request, contact details of previous fellows can be shared for the fellow's reference.

Number of positions offered each year, expected duration of the training

2 fellows can be hosted per year, for a duration of 3-9 months each.

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We further inform that, upon request, we will:

- No charge for the training
- Help in finding a low cost accommodation
- Help in getting necessary visa, insurance of other documentation if required
- After completion of the training, provide the Fellow a detailed certificate describing the work
- Provide a letter of invitation for the applicant