



SEMMELWEIS UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Medicine

Department of Pathology, Forensic and Insurance Medicine

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Letter of Application – ESP Advanced Training Centre (ESP-ATC)

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The status of an ESP Advanced Training Centre (ESP-ATC) is a recognition granted to institutions that provide high-level, specialised training and are committed to offering advanced educational opportunities to international fellows. This designation reflects the dedication of the Faculty to excellence in postgraduate education, and the title of ESP-ATC is awarded to the institute as a whole.

In this context, we are pleased to present the details of the Semmelweis University Department of Pathology, Forensic and Insurance Medicine as an ESP-ATC candidate:

- **Name and Address of the Centre: Semmelweis University, Department of Pathology, Forensic and Insurance Medicine**
- **Chair of the Centre: Prof. Dr. András Kiss**
- **Head of the Training Program: Prof. Dr. András Kiss**
- **Preamble:** The Institute of Pathology, Forensic and Insurance Medicine / PFIM (formerly known as the II. Institute of Pathology) at Semmelweis University has been operating since 1895 and performs educational, diagnostic and research tasks in the field of pathology. The institute has two modern autopsy rooms (4 dissection tables in the pathology autopsy room and 5 dissection tables in the forensic autopsy room), diagnostic histological laboratory, as well as a modern molecular pathology diagnostic unit. Our forensic autopsy room underwent major

renovation in 2015 and the pathology autopsy room has been completely renovated and will be completely finished in 2026. Both autopsy rooms are equipped with video documentation system and streaming.

- Our new facility NOIKK/AICER training center (<https://semmelweis.hu/noikk/>) is equipped with dedicated *post mortem* CT and an additional autopsy room and works in close collaboration with PFIM. The NOIKK/AICER training center will officially open at the end of March 2026. **The Institute of Pathology, Forensic and Insurance Medicine performs 3 200 autopsies per year of which 1000 autopsies are related to pathology and 2200 cases to forensic medicine. 20 board certified pathologist and 10 forensic experts, as well as 15 residents perform autopsies. Pathology training of the 3. year students of the medical faculty of Semmelweis University involves yearly training of 250 Hungarian speaking, 110 English speaking and 100 German speaking medical students at our institute. The pathology training for graduate students means 2 x 14 semester weeks (autumn and spring semester). Every week pathology training means 2x45 minutes autopsy hall practice and 2 x 45 minutes histology practice, as well as 2 x 1,5 hours of pathology lectures.**

- **Specific Areas of Training Offered:**

„Details about specific areas in which training can be offered (particular method, field of subspecialty – e.g. kidney transplantation),,

The center provides specialised training in *post mortem* diagnostics, including:

1. post mortem CT analysis and related sampling
2. Training of the dissection of the body, removal of the organs and organ dissection
3. Pathological evaluation of the dissected organs, diagnosis, pathological report
4. Histological analysis of autopsy findings, reporting.
5. Participation in English and German speaking graduate trainings

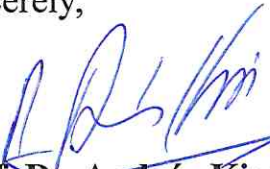
ESP training modules are offered two times for a six-week period of time during spring and autumn semester. Altogether 2 x 6 week periods / year. In each period we are ready to accept two- two applicants.

- **Training Capacity and Duration:** Each year, the centre offers four autopsy training positions (2 in the spring semester, two in the autumn semester) for six weeks for international medical doctors. Strong emphasis is layed on **hands-on experience in the autopsy room.**
- **Possible Training Periods:** Training visits may be arranged during the following months, to be finalised through direct communication between the applicant and the centre: **February, March, April, until mid-May and September, October, November.**
- **Contact for Further Information:** titkarsag.PIBOI@semmelweis.hu

We remain committed to supporting high-quality educational exchange and look forward to welcoming international fellows who wish to advance their expertise in pathology and forensic medicine.

Budapest, 20. March 2026

Sincerely,


Prof. Dr. András Kiss
 Director

