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and Medicine*

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Welcome Address



Dear Colleague,

The European Society of Pathology (ESP) together with the Faculty of Pathology, Royal College of Physicians, Ireland are looking forward to welcoming you all and extending a 'Cead Mile Failte' (100 thousand welcomes) when you join us in Dublin, Ireland for the European Congress of Pathology (ECP 2023), September 2023.

Ireland has been traditionally renowned for its history in education, being affectionally known as the "The land of Saints and Scholars", and the congress organizers are delighted to have the honour of hosting this first class international educational event whilst providing an environment for the sharing of knowledge, innovations and experiences that will enhance the activities of the world-wide pathology community for the benefits of all our patients. Ireland's award winning Convention Centre Dublin (CCD), located in the heart of Dublin, the largest and capital city, has an easy access to the airport, hotels, and all that the city has to offer. Hugely successful as a venue for international conferences, the centre will provide an ideal focal point for all our delegates, speakers, as well as our partners in industry. Keynote lectures by international renowned experts, a full programme of lectures, slide seminars and interactive sessions by leaders in their fields to multiple oral and posters presentations will provide an ideal opportunity for continuing professional development, networking and sharing of ideas. Integral to our programme will be sessions organised by and for our trainee pathologists encompassing important and cutting edge advancements in pathology practise, important for their future pathology careers.

Our motto for the ECP 2023, "Pathology – a bridge between science and medicine" acknowledges the significant changes that practising pathologists have made and continue to make to their daily practise so as to ensure that new beneficial diagnostic and technological advancements are embraced and integrated into everyday practise for the benefit of all patients. The meeting will reflect the extremely dynamic development in the field of pathology and update on these advancements through the excellent programme prepared by the ESP working groups, ESP-affiliated Societies, Education and Trainee Subcommittees.

Boasting a rich history embedded within its numerous museums and historical buildings, strong literary, theatrical and musical traditions, as well as including a wide choice of restaurants, 'pubs' and entertainment venues, Dublin will provide a welcoming city for all. We hope that through the multiple social events and activities here in Dublin, both organized by the congress and arranged on your own, you will experience first-hand the renowned Irish hospitality and experience a flavour of Ireland's rich cultural history.

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Aleš Ryška
President of the European Society of Pathology

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louise Burke".

Louise Burke
Chair of the Local Organising Committee of ECP 2023



Aleš Ryška



Louise Burke

Committees and Organisers

► Scientific / Organising Committee

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3. Cytopathology

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Co-Chair: S. S. Prince, Switzerland

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6. Digital and Computational Pathology

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7. Electron Microscopy

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Co-Chair: D. Naranjo-Hans, Spain

8. Endocrine Pathology

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Co-Chair: M. Dettmer, Germany

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Chair: B. Davidson, Norway
Co-Chair: A. Felix, Portugal

10. Head and Neck Pathology

Chair: S. Ihrler, Germany
Co-Chair: A. Sandison, UK

11. History of Pathology

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Co-Chair: J. Gulczyński, Poland

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Chair: G. Gorkiewicz, Austria
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Co-Chair: M. Ilić, France

14. Nephropathology

Chair: H. Hopfer, Switzerland
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15. Paediatric and Perinatal Pathology

Chair: A. Coulomb, France
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16. Pathology in Favour of Developing Countries

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17. Pulmonary Pathology

Chair: P. Hofman, France
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18. Soft Tissue and Bone Pathology

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Chair: J. von der Thüsen, The Netherlands
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President: P. Borralho Nunes, Portugal
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► Brief Description of the ESP

The European Society of Pathology (ESP), established in 1963, has its headquarters in Brussels and represents the leading European force in Pathology with more than 3,500 active members, 25 Working Groups (WG) and affiliated Societies and 30 national pathology societies. Its vision is "excellence in pathology for optimal patient care".

The primary aim of ESP is to promote high quality pathology diagnosis for all patients, to promote up-to-date education across Europe and to support cutting-edge research to understand disease and translate science into clinical practice. The ESP organizes an annual congress, holds several virtual and on-site postgraduate courses each year through the European School of Pathology and others, has an official journal "Virchow Archiv". The ESP interacts with national pathology societies in Europe and has a significant number of established collaborations with other European organizations, clinical and scientific associations, and international pathology societies. All ESP educational and training programmes (e.g., Courses, ESP Academy, Giordano Fellowship) and scientific activities will inevitably advance pathology in Europe and greatly facilitate communication between European pathologists. The ESP Foundation, established in 2016, provides educational and training programmes in different pathology areas as well as external quality assessment (QA) programmes for several biomarkers. Diagnostic laboratories worldwide participate in the ESP Foundation QA schemes, such as Lung, Colon and PDL1. For more information, please visit <https://www.esp-pathology.org/>

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Colour Legend

► Colours and abbreviation codes of sessions

Working Group Sessions

AUT	Autopsy pathology
BREAST	Breast pathology
CARD	Cardiovascular pathology
CYTO	Cytopathology
DCP	Digital and Computational Pathology
DERM	Dermatopathology
DEVEL	Pathology in favour of developing countries
DIGE	Digestive diseases pathology
EM	Electron microscopy
ENDO	Endocrine pathology
GYNAE	Gynaecological pathology
HAEMA	Haematopathology

H&N	Head and neck pathology
HIST	History of pathology
INFE	Infectious diseases pathology
MOPA	Molecular pathology
NEPH	Nephropathology
NEURO	Neuropathology
OPHTH	Ophthalmic pathology
PAED	Paediatric and perinatal pathology
PULM	Pulmonary pathology
SO-TI	Soft tissue and bone pathology
THYM	Thymic and mediastinal pathology
URO	Uropathology

Special Sessions

KEYNOTE	Keynote lecture
SPEC	Special session ESP
SPEC LOC	Special Session Faculty of Pathology, RCPI
TR	Trainees' session
MD	One-Day Molecular Pathology Diagnostics Symposium
CP	Computational Symposium
VA	Virchows Archiv

BM	► Business Meeting
KNL	► Keynote Lecture
LC	► Long Course
OFP	► Oral Free Paper Session
SC	► Short Course
SPEC	► Special Session
SS	► Slide Seminar
SY	► Symposium
TR	► Trainees' Session
VM	► Videomicroscopy

► Associations / Societies collaborating in the Scientific Programme

- Arthur Purdy Stout Society (APSS)
- European National Societies affiliated to the ESP
- European Society of Gynaecological Oncology (ESGO)
- European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)
- European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO)
- Hans Popper Hepatopathology Society
- International Academy of Pathology (IAP)
- International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)
- International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting (ICCR)
- Japanese Society of Pathology (JSP)
- Kansas Histopathology Club (KHC)
- Rodger C. Haggitt Gastrointestinal Pathology Society (GIPS)
- United European Gastroenterology (UEG)

Programme Schedule ► Saturday, 9 September 2023

	Session Rooms	Auditorium	The Forum
Registration ► 16:00–20:00			
	16:45–18:15 Industry Satellite Symposia		
		19:00–20:00 Opening Ceremony	
			20:00–22:00 Technical Exhibition and Networking Reception

Programme Schedule ▶ Sunday, 10 September 2023

All sessions to be live-streamed *

				Auditorium	Liffey B	Liffey A	Wicklow Hall 2
Registration ▶ 07:30 – 18:00		07:15 – 08:15		Industry Satellite Symposia			
	Technical Exhibition ▶ 09:00 – 17:15	08:30 – 12:00	09:30 – 10:30 Coffee Break + Poster Sessions	SPEC National Societies & Education Subcommittee & Trainee Subcommittee <i>Joint</i> Setting the stage for the future generations of pathologists	LC BREAST & MOPA <i>Joint</i> Diagnostic and therapeutic aspects of molecular pathology in breast cancer	LC H&N My approach to pattern analysis in salivary lesions	LC INFE & NEURO & EM <i>Joint</i> Neuropathology of CNS infections
		12:15 – 13:00		Keynote Lecture by Mark Lawler, Ireland 21st Century Pathology in Europe – Turning Cancer Research into Clinical Practice			
		13:00 – 14:30	Lunch	Industry Satellite Symposia			
		14:45 – 16:45		SC DIGE (GI) The “I”s have it: infectious, iatrogenic and ischaemic injury to the GI tract	SY BREAST & ICCR <i>Joint</i> ICCR datasets in breast pathology	SC H&N Head and neck pathology: Young investigators – new concepts	SS INFE & PAED <i>Joint</i> Paediatric and perinatal infections
		16:45 – 17:15		Best Poster Sessions			
		17:15 – 19:15		SC ENDO & DIGE <i>Joint</i> Misleading neuroendocrine pathology of the digestive tract	SS BREAST Challenges and pitfalls in breast pathology	SC H&N Head and neck lesions associated with hereditary tumour syndromes (+Business Meeting)	VM INFE Artifacts & pitfalls in infectious diseases histopathology
		19:30 – 20:30		Industry Satellite Symposia			

* Videomicroscopy Sessions will neither be live-streamed nor recorded.

► Sunday, 10 September 2023

Wicklow Hall 1	Liffey Hall 1	Ecocem Room	Wicklow Meeting 1	Liffey Hall 2	
Industry Satellite Symposia					07:15 – 08:15
SY NEPH Life of lesions in kidney diseases (+Business Meeting)	SPEC LOC Irish genes and diseases	OFP	OFP	CP COMPUTATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Computational pathology – Where do we stand?	08:30 – 12:00
Keynote Lecture by Mark Lawler, Ireland 21st Century Pathology in Europe – Turning Cancer Research into Clinical Practice					12:15 – 13:00
Industry Satellite Symposia					13:00 – 14:30
SY NEPH & HAEMA Joint Monoclonal gammopathies: defining the boundaries between uncertainty and significance	SPEC ESP & Virchows Archiv Challenges and controversies in hemato-lymphoid malignancies	SS CARD Challenging cases of sudden cardiac death	SY MOPA Standardisation of molecular pathology at the European level	CP COMPUTATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Oral free presentations and Best Abstract Award	14:45 – 16:45
Best Poster Sessions					16:45 – 17:15
SS NEPH & EM Joint Diagnostic kidney work-up: hints from EM and molecular pathology	SPEC ESP & APSS Joint Wolf in sheep's clothing – Benign looking malignancies	OFP	SC MOPA & OPHTH Joint Molecular pathology of ocular tumours	CP COMPUTATIONAL SYMPOSIUM The future of computational pathology	17:15 – 19:15
Industry Satellite Symposia					19:30 – 20:30

Programme Schedule ▶ Monday, 11 September 2023

All sessions to be live-streamed*

				Auditorium	Liffey B	Liffey A	Wicklow Hall 2
		07:15 – 08:15		Industry Satellite Symposia			
Registration ▶ 08:00 – 18:00	Technical Exhibition ▶ 09:00 – 17:15	08:30 – 12:00	09:30 – 10:30 Coffee Break + Poster Sessions	SY DIGE (GI) & Rodger Haggitt (GIPS) <i>Joint</i> The varied histological types of GI tract epithelial neoplasms	SY GYNAE Update: advances in ancillary techniques in gynaecological pathology	SY HAEMA Technological advances in the diagnosis of haematological malignancy	SY HIST & CARD <i>Joint</i> Museums networking: a heart in a historical pathology museum ... and more
		12:15 – 13:00		Keynote Lecture by Jacqueline James, Ireland Biobanking Pathology Specimens: The bridge between Science and Medicine			
		13:00 – 14:30	Lunch	Industry Satellite Symposia			
		14:45 – 16:45		SY DIGE (GI) & PULM & THYM <i>Joint</i> Thoracic and digestive system neuroendocrine neoplasms: similarities and differences	SC GYNAE & ESTRO & ESGO <i>Joint</i> Cervical cancer guidelines update ESP-ESTRO-ESGO	SC HAEMA The impact of structural chromosomal abnormalities in lymphoma diagnosis and prognosis	SC HIST & H&N <i>Joint</i> Historic highlights in the European head and neck pathology
		16:45 – 17:15		Best Poster Sessions			
		17:15 – 19:15		SPEC ESP & JSP <i>Joint</i> From research to pathological practice: examples of translational paths	SC GYNAE & ESMO & ESGO <i>Joint</i> Guidelines from ESMO-ESGO-ESP consensus meeting focused on ovarian cancer diagnosis and treatment	SS HAEMA New and emerging disease entities	VM DIGE (PANCREAS) & CYTO <i>Joint</i> FNA/FNB interpretation in pancreaticobiliary diseases
		19:30 – 20:30		Industry Satellite Symposia			

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► Monday, 11 September 2023

Wicklow Hall 1	Liffey Hall 1	Ecocem Room	Wicklow Meeting 1	Liffey Hall 2	
Industry Satellite Symposia					07:15 – 08:15
SY ENDO Precision diagnosis in endocrine pathology: current status and next questions	LC SO-TI & DERM Joint When mesenchymal tumours come up to the skin	OFP	OFP	MD ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM Selected Abstracts Update organ specific biomarker analysis	08:30 – 12:00
Keynote Lecture by Jacqueline James, Ireland Biobanking Pathology Specimens: The bridge between Science and Medicine					12:15 – 13:00
Industry Satellite Symposia					13:00 – 14:30
SS ENDO The lesson hidden in a single case	SC SO-TI Soft tissue tumours arising from inside bone	SC DERM Cutaneous lymphomas and pseudolymphomas	SY PAED & ICCR Joint ICCR datasets in paediatric pathology	MD ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM Evaluation and reporting of complex biomarkers with big panels	14:45 – 16:45
Best Poster Sessions					16:45 – 17:15
OFP	SC SO-TI My biggest mistake in bone and soft tissue tumours and what I have learned from it	OFP	OFP	MD ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM News from the bench and future developments	17:15 – 19:15
Industry Satellite Symposia					19:30 – 20:30

Programme Schedule ▶ Tuesday, 12 September 2023

All sessions to be live-streamed*

				Auditorium	Liffey B	Liffey A	Wicklow Hall 2
		07:15 – 08:15		Industry Satellite Symposia			
Registration ▶ 08:00 – 18:00	Technical Exhibition ▶ 09:00 – 17:15	08:30 – 12:00	09:30 – 10:30 Coffee Break + Poster Sessions	SY DIGE (GI) Polyps and related lesions of the GI tract: an update	SPEC LOC Challenges of 21st century pathology	LC PULM & DCP <i>Joint</i> Digital pathology solutions in pulmonary pathology	SS SPEC ESP & KHC Kansas Histopathology Club – lessons to be learned from a global success story
		12:15 – 13:00		ESP Symeonidis Lecture by Holger Moch, Switzerland Evolution of renal tumour classification			
		13:00 – 14:30	Lunch	Industry Satellite Symposia			
		14:45 – 16:45		SY DIGE (PANCREAS) & UEG <i>Joint</i> Stroma and inflammation in early pancreatic carcinogenesis	SPEC ESP & IAP <i>Joint</i> Role of pathologists in clinical trials. Practical aspects, education and future perspectives	SC PULM & MOPA <i>Joint</i> When the liquid biopsy meets the pathologists	VM DERM Pitfalls in dermatopathology
		16:45 – 17:30		Plenary OFP Session			
		17:30 – 19:30		SC DIGE (GI) Endoscopically invisible GI tract entities: a selection	SPEC ESP AI in Pathology Task Force	SS PULM Intriguing cases of interstitial lung diseases	VM URO New entities in WHO 2022 classification of GU tumours
		19:45 – 20:45		Industry Satellite Symposia			

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► Tuesday, 12 September 2023

Liffey Hall 2	Wicklow Hall 1	Liffey Hall 1	Ecocem Room	Wicklow Meeting 1	
Industry Satellite Symposia					07:15 – 08:15
SPEC ESP QA	SC NEURO & EM & CARD Joint Neuromuscular diagnostics from histopathology to ultrastructure: a practical approach	OFP	OFP	LC CYTO The 2023 Bethesda System for Reporting Thyroid Cytopathology	08:30 – 12:00
ESP Symeonidis Lecture by Holger Moch, Switzerland Evolution of renal tumour classification					12:15 – 13:00
Industry Satellite Symposia					13:00 – 14:30
SY PAED Update in paediatric liver pathology	OFP	OFP	SC DCP Computational patho- logy: never too late to start	SC CYTO & H&N Joint The crucial role of cy- topathology in the head and neck	14:45 – 16:45
Plenary OFP Session					16:45 – 17:30
SC PAED & CARD Joint Primer in congenital heart disease	SC OPHTH What is new in the 5th edition WHO classifica- tion of tumours of the eye and orbit	SS THYM What on earth is this?! Challenging cases in mediastinal pathology	OFP	SC CYTO & DCP Joint The state of art of digital cytopathology	17:30 – 19:30
Industry Satellite Symposia					19:45 – 20:45

Programme Schedule ▶ Wednesday, 13 September 2023

All sessions to be live-streamed*

			Auditorium	Liffey B	Liffey A	Wicklow Hall 2
Registration ▶ 08:00–17:30	07:15 – 08:15		Industry Satellite Symposia			
	08:30 – 12:00	09:30–10:30 Coffee Break + Poster Sessions	LC URO Novelties from genetic and molecular studies in GU tumours	SY DIGE (LIVER) & Hans Popper Hepatopathology Society Joint Morphomolecular-driven management of liver tumours	SPEC ESP & IARC Joint	SC CARD & PULM Diagnostic challenges in pulmonary vascular pathology
	12:15 – 13:45		12:15–13:45 Industry Satellite Symposia			
	13:15 – 13:45	Lunch	Best Poster Sessions			
	14:00 – 16:00		SC URO Troublesome issues in reporting GU tumours	SC DIGE (LIVER) Vascular disorders of the liver	SY MOPA Sequence variant interpretation	VM PULM Mesothelial proliferations and differential diagnostic challenges
	16:00 – 16:30		Best Poster Sessions			
	16:30 – 17:15		Juan Rosai Lecture by Saul Suster, USA The Evolving Story of Thymoma			
	17:15 – 18:00		Closing Ceremony			

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Liffey Hall 2	Wicklow Hall 1	Liffey Hall 1	Ecocem Room	Wicklow Meeting 1	
Industry Satellite Symposia					07:15 – 08:15
SPEC LOC Quality improvement systems in pathology – why bother?	SY ESP TRAINEE SUBCOMMITTEE The M&Ms of pathology: morphological vs. molecular focus on diagnosis	SY AUT & HIST Joint Landmarks in autopsy pathology	SPEC ESP & SLAP Joint The everlasting power of surgical pathology: an utterly practical case seminar	SY DEVEL & MOPA Joint Molecular Pathology at low cost: good practice and pitfalls	08:30 – 12:00
12:15–13:45 Industry Satellite Symposia					12:15 – 13:45
Best Poster Sessions					13:15 – 13:45
SC CARD Pathologic analysis of cardiovascular devices	General Assembly of the Trainee Subcommittee	SY AUT & OPHTH Joint An eye out for autopsy pathology	SPEC Highlights of ASCO	SS DEVEL & HAEM & INFE Joint Pathogen-driven haematological malignancies	14:00 – 16:00
Best Poster Sessions					16:00 – 16:30
Juan Rosai Lecture by Saul Suster, USA The Evolving Story of Thymoma					16:30 – 17:15
Closing Ceremony					17:15 – 18:00

Further Sessions

virtual
and
on-site

Further information will also be available online at www.esp-congress.org.

► Computational Symposium

The Computational Symposium presents **key speakers** from both academia and industry to **inform about and discuss developments in the application of AI to histopathology**.

We specifically welcome all stakeholders that are involved in the **development, validation and adoption of Computational Pathology to facilitate interactions** in the broadest possible manner: pathologists, (AI-)scientists, technicians and lab managers from hospitals, academia and industry. The CP SY will be organised **in conjunction with the ECP** in 2023 for the eighth time.

Panel discussions and demonstrations may be part of the programme in addition to invited speakers and submitted talks.

Organisers of the symposium:

- Inti Zlobec, Switzerland
(Digital and Computational Pathology WG Chair)
- António Polónia Oliveira, Portugal
(Digital and Computational Pathology WG Co-Chair)
- Nasir Rajpoot, United Kingdom
- Darren Treanor, United Kingdom
- Geert Litjens, The Netherlands

► One-Day Symposium on Molecular Pathology Diagnostics and Translational Research

We are pleased to invite you to the ninth "Symposium on Molecular Pathology Diagnostics and Translational Research". Our programme for 2023 includes molecular approaches with clinical applications in oncology as well as newest developments of modern technologies and the analysis of biomarkers.

The major goals for scientists working together with pathologists and clinicians in the field are to provide high quality molecular diagnostics, but at the same time to translate basic research discoveries into clinical practice.

The symposium will address and discuss current advances, but also challenges and problem-solving approaches in the field of molecular pathology. Not only molecular biologists, but also pathologists and other participants are more than welcome to join this symposium! Get the latest insights in precision medicine and how they directly impact testing and treatment decisions.

The symposium will cover the following topics:

- Selected abstracts
- Update organ specific biomarker analysis
- Evaluation and reporting of complex biomarkers with big panels
- News from the bench and future developments

Organisers of the symposium:

- Johan Botling, Sweden
- Erik Jan Dubbink, The Netherlands
- Stephen Finn, Ireland
- Carina Heydt, Germany
- Gerald Höfler, Austria
- Caterina Marchio, Italy
- Matthias Matter, Switzerland
- Sabine Merkelbach-Bruse, Germany

Call for Abstracts

► Submission of abstracts

The scientific committee invites you to participate actively in this congress which will be an extraordinary occasion for the exchange of thoughts and experiences. We look forward to receiving abstracts online for consideration and inclusion in the scientific programme as oral or poster presentation on-site or E-Poster.

Please note that abstracts can only be presented (and thus published) on-site, not virtually! Please ensure that you are able to travel to Dublin when submitting an abstract. This also applies for abstracts which are being accepted as E-Posters.

The submitted abstracts should give a brief description of the title and topic. All abstracts will be reviewed by members of the working groups and/or the scientific committee.

The reviewers will judge the abstracts according to the relevance to ESP, standard of English, objectivity of statement, description of what was done, suitability of methods to aims, conclusions confirmed by objective results, ethics, scientific value, potential clinical value, originality of work and overall impression.

All accepted abstracts will be published in an abstract book which is a digital supplement to Virchows Archiv, and online on the congress website www.esp-congress.org. There will be no printed version of the abstract book.

The deadline for abstract submission is **19 April 2023**.

► Guidelines for Preparation of abstracts

- Please choose a title that clearly indicates the content of the contribution.
- Please avoid abbreviations in the title (exception: scientific terms). Abbreviations may be used in the text if they are defined when used first.
- Please make sure to use **proper English language**.
- Please refrain from spelling abstract titles and co-authors' names in capital letters.
- The author's name (full first name, family name) and place of work (institution, city, country) should be indicated in the respective form fields, not in the abstract title.
- Degrees, titles, street addresses and acknowledgements of support should be omitted in the abstract title and text.

To provide maximum information in the abstract please

- state the specific **background & objective** of the study
- state the **methods** used, if pertinent
- summarise the **results** obtained
- state the **conclusions** reached
- **ensure that the abstract does not contain spelling, grammar or scientific errors, as it will be reproduced exactly as submitted.**

► Guidelines for submission of abstracts

- A **maximum of 5 abstracts per author** will be accepted for submission. Additional submissions will not be considered (without further notice).
- Submissions **on behalf of other authors** cannot be accepted. The **original author should submit her/his work** and is considered to present it on-site in Dublin.
- An abstract which has been previously published cannot be submitted, unless there are new methods, findings, updated data or other acceptable reasons for submitting.
- Abstracts are to be submitted in English, the official language of the 35th ECP, should not exceed 290 words (in total) and be structured in the following specified subtitles: **background & objective, methods, results and conclusion**. Please stick to the indicated maximum amount of words in each section (40/60/110/80).
- Case reports should also be structured as much as possible following the aforementioned categories. If not possible, the authors should upload the abstracts using the most appropriate categories (in the respective text boxes in the submission form).
- The abstract submission constitutes a formal commitment by the first author to present the corresponding presentation in the session and time slot assigned by the scientific committee.
- Changes in authorship should be communicated to the Congress and Exhibition Office at ecp-dublin@cpo-hanser.de in order to ensure correct appearance in the printed programme.
- Should the first/submitting author, who is considered the presenter, turn out to be unable to present her/his poster, one of the co-authors should take over this responsibility. A change of the presenting author needs to be communicated to the Congress and Exhibition Office at ecp-dublin@cpo-hanser.de and will only be processed **after acceptance of abstracts**. Presenter changes, which are being addressed to the Congress and Exhibition Office before the official acceptance notification, will not be considered.

Call for Abstracts

- ▶ Registration to the congress is mandatory to be able to present the abstract and get it published in the abstract book – and must be completed **by 28 June 2023**. If the speaker fails to register and pay before this date, her / his abstract will be excluded from the scientific programme and publication in Virchows Archiv.
- ▶ If a delegate has registered upon the condition that her/his abstract is accepted and the abstract is rejected, the registration fee will be refunded. The acceptance of abstracts by the scientific committee does not imply any financial assistance or fee reduction.
- ▶ Notification of acceptance or rejection by the scientific committee will be emailed to the submitting author. Detailed information in which format the abstract is accepted (oral or poster presentation or E-Poster), guidelines and recommendations for each abstract type as well as time allotment, date, hour, and venue will be sent in due time to registered first authors.

▶ Bursaries for the Congress

For the 35th ECP in Dublin, the ESP will provide two different kinds of bursaries:

- ▶ abstract-based bursaries to support the attendance of residents and trainees in pathology at the congress in Dublin
- ▶ bursaries for pathologists from underserved countries

Bursaries include a free registration to the congress as well as a monetary grant.

You can only apply for ONE OR THE OTHER bursary category. Please refrain from submitting your application in both categories.

The application deadline for both types of bursaries is **19 April 2023**.

Please visit <https://www.esp-congress.org/abstracts/bursaries-of-the-esp.html> to find out more about requirements of each bursary category and in order to apply for a bursary.

▶ Topics

When submitting an abstract, please choose one of the following topics:

1. One-Day Molecular Diagnostics Symposium (MD)
2. Autopsy Pathology
3. Breast Pathology
4. Cardiovascular Pathology
5. Cytopathology
6. Dermatopathology
7. Digestive Diseases Pathology – GI Pathology
8. Digestive Diseases Pathology – Liver/Pancreas
9. Digital and Computational Pathology (formerly IT/CP)
10. Electron Microscopy
11. Endocrine Pathology
12. Gynaecological Pathology
13. Haematopathology
14. Head and Neck Pathology
15. History of Pathology
16. Infectious Diseases
17. Molecular Pathology
18. Nephropathology
19. Neuropathology
20. Ophthalmic Pathology
21. Paediatric and Perinatal Pathology
22. Pathology in Favour of Developing Countries
23. Pulmonary Pathology
24. Soft Tissue and Bone Pathology
25. Thymic and Mediastinal Pathology
26. Uropathology
27. Other Topics

Poster Sessions, Best Abstract Prizes

► Poster Sessions

Poster sessions will be held from Sunday, 10 September to Wednesday, 13 September 2023 in the Forum of the CCD. These sessions offer an effective forum for the exchange of information and a means to communicate ideas, research, and programmes. Poster authors will be required to be available for questions and further information at their poster board during the morning session break (09:30 – 10:30) from Sunday to Wednesday. Posters will be grouped by topic for the convenience of those attending the sessions.

► Best Abstract Prizes

The ESP will provide a very limited number of prizes for the best abstracts of the congress. The awardees will be selected among all accepted poster and oral presentation abstracts.

Best OFP Candidates will be invited to present again during the afternoon coffee break on Tuesday, 12 September 2023. Best Poster Candidates will be invited to present their work in the Best Poster Sessions, which are scheduled to take place in the afternoon coffee breaks.

The winners will be notified by e-mail and will be announced during the Closing Ceremony of the congress.

Continuing Medical Education (CME)

► Continuing Medical Education (CME)

An application will be made to the UEMS EACCME for accreditation of this event. The UEMS EACCME credits are recognised by the American Medical Association towards the Physician's Recognition Award (PRA). More detailed information will become available prior to the congress on the congress website www.esp-congress.org.

Please note:

CME credits cannot be claimed for on demand viewing. CME certificates for virtual attendance must be claimed during live congress hours.



Congress Registration

On-site attendance

► Registration Fees

Registration and payment received	by 19 April 2023 EUR	by 4 July 2023 EUR	after 4 July 2023 EUR
ESP Members*	490,00	610,00	730,00
Non-Members	675,00	790,00	900,00
Residents, PhD students**	210,00	275,00	390,00
Day Ticket for Sunday (Computational Symposium only)***	250,00	250,00	250,00
One-Day Molecular Pathology Diagnostics Symposium***	200,00	200,00	250,00
Accompanying Person of an ESP Member	120,00	120,00	120,00
Accompanying Person of a Non-Member	140,00	140,00	140,00

* In good standing (membership fee for 2023 paid). Please note that the member fee can only be granted if you are a member of the ESP at the time of registration. If you are not a member yet, you need to apply for membership first, and once you have received your ESP membership confirmation, you can register at the member fee.

** For residents / PhD students under 45 (i.e. born after 9 September 1978 – to be proven by ID card / passport). The resident / student status must be confirmed by a formal declaration from the head of department or the responsible for the training programme. All documents need to be uploaded during the registration process.

*** Participants with full ECP registration can attend this symposium at no extra cost.

All registration fees are exempt from VAT.

Please register online for the 35th European Congress of Pathology.

Registration Fee for ESP Members, Non-Members, Residents and PhD students includes:

- Admission to all scientific sessions
- Admission to Opening Ceremony and Networking Reception
- Admission to poster exhibition and technical exhibition
- Coffee breaks and lunches from Sunday to Wednesday
- Congress material (delegate bag, final programme, etc.)
- Access to all* sessions on demand (until 13 October 2023 for non-members or 13 December 2023 for ESP members)
- Public transportation pass

Registration Fee for the additional One-Day Symposia includes:

- Admission to all scientific sessions of the respective Symposium
- Admission to poster exhibition and technical exhibition on the day of the Symposium
- Coffee break and lunch on the day of the Symposium
- Access to all symposium-related on demand content (until 13 October 2023 for non-members or 13 December 2023 for ESP members)

Registration Fee for Accompanying Persons includes:

- Admission to Networking Reception on Saturday, 9 September 2023
- Sightseeing Tour of Dublin
- Public transportation pass

Please note that accompanying persons do neither have access to scientific sessions nor to the exhibition/poster area.

Participants who would like to register on-site are advised to arrive early. On-site registration does not necessarily entitle the participants to receive a delegate bag. On-site registration will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis; priority will be given to pre-registered delegates.

► Confirmation

Upon receipt of the registration and the corresponding payment, the congress office will send a confirmation to the participant which also serves as an invoice. Please present this confirmation of registration at the congress counter when picking up your congress material.

* Videomicroscopy Sessions will neither be live-streamed nor recorded.

Congress Registration

Virtual attendance



► Registration Fees

Registration and payment received	by 4 July 2023 EUR	after 4 July 2023 EUR
ESP Members*	230,00	375,00
Non-Members	390,00	540,00
Residents, PhD students**	130,00	170,00
Day Ticket for Sunday (Computational Symposium only)***	190,00	190,00
One-Day Molecular Pathology Diagnostics Symposium***	150,00	190,00

* In good standing (membership fee for 2023 paid). Please note that the member fee can only be granted if you are a member of the ESP at the time of registration. If you are not a member yet, you need to apply for membership first, and once you have received your ESP membership confirmation, you can register at the member fee.

** For residents / PhD students under 45 (i.e. born after 9 September 1978 – to be proven by ID card / passport). The resident / student status must be confirmed by a formal declaration from the head of department or the responsible for the training programme. All documents need to be uploaded during the registration process.

*** Participants with full ECP registration can attend this symposium at no extra cost.

All registration fees are exempt from VAT.

Please register online for the 35th European Congress of Pathology.

Registration Fee for ESP Members, Non-Members, Residents and PhD students includes:

- Access to all* scientific sessions (including Molecular Pathology Diagnostics Symposium (MD) and Computational Symposium (CP)) during live congress hours
- Access to all* sessions on demand (until 13 October 2023 for non-members or 13 December 2023 for ESP members)
- Access to digital posters/E-Posters

Registration Fee for the additional One-Day Symposia includes:

- Access to all sessions of the respective symposium during live congress hours
- Access to all symposium related on demand content (until 13 October 2023 for non-members or 13 December 2023 for ESP members)
- Access to digital posters/E-Posters



CME certificates for virtual attendance must be claimed during live congress hours.

* Videomicroscopy Sessions will neither be live-streamed nor recorded.

► Confirmation

Upon receipt of the registration and the corresponding payment, the congress office will send a confirmation to the participant which also serves as an invoice.

Payment

When registering for the 35th European Congress of Pathology, please arrange payment of the registration fee. All payments must be made in EUR. You can choose among three payment options: Credit card payment, PayPal and bank transfer. We strongly recommend credit card payment or PayPal as charges for bank transfers may apply twice, once in the country of origin and a second time in the target country.

- Credit card (AMEX, Eurocard/Mastercard, VISA)
- PayPal
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Congress Information

For virtual attendance please refer to the FAQs on the congress website.

► Cancellation Policy

If you need to cancel your registration please notify the congress office CPO HANSER SERVICE in writing only. A full refund (minus an administrative charge of EUR 100,00) will be given for cancellations received by **31 May 2023**. After 31 May 2023, no refunds will be granted.

► Congress Venue

The Convention Centre Dublin (CCD)
Spencer Dock, North Wall Quay
Dublin 1, D01 T1W6
Ireland

► Congress Counter

The Congress Counter will be located in the foyer of the Convention Centre Dublin (CCD).

Opening hours

Saturday	9 September 2023	► 16:00 – 20:00
Sunday	10 September 2023	► 07:30 – 18:00
Monday	11 September 2023	► 08:00 – 18:00
Tuesday	12 September 2023	► 08:00 – 18:00
Wednesday	13 September 2023	► 08:00 – 17:30

► Host Organisation

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► ECP 2023 App

(more information on page 5)

Get the ECP 2023 App for your smartphone and experience the congress at your fingertips (available in August 2023).



► Technical Exhibition

The 35th European Congress of Pathology will be accompanied by a major technical exhibition taking place in the Forum on the ground floor of the Convention Centre Dublin (CCD). Potential exhibitors can request an exhibition/sponsoring brochure from the exhibition office, CPO HANSER SERVICE GmbH.

E-mail: ecp-dublin@cpo-hanser.de

Exhibition hours

Saturday	9 September 2023	► 20:00 – 22:00
Sunday	10 September 2023	► 09:00 – 17:15
Monday	11 September 2023	► 09:00 – 17:15
Tuesday	12 September 2023	► 09:00 – 17:15

► Final Programme and Abstracts

The final programme and abstracts will be published on the congress website prior to the congress. This enables each participant to create her/his personal congress programme schedule.

A printed copy of the final congress programme will be part of the congress materials which will be distributed on-site.

Abstracts will be published in an abstract book which is a digital supplement to Virchows Archiv and online on the congress website www.esp-congress.org. There will be no printed version of the abstract book.

► Congress Website

Further and updated information will be available on the internet at www.esp-congress.org.

► Congress Language

The official language of the 35th European Congress of Pathology is English.

Congress Information



► Invitation Letter

The congress organisation will be pleased to send a formal invitation letter to delegates requesting a respective document for visa purposes. You can apply for an invitation letter online during the registration process. The letter will be sent as an e-mail attachment. It is understood that such an invitation is intended to help potential delegates to raise funds or to obtain a visa. This does not imply a commitment from the congress to provide any financial support.

► Visa

The entry formalities for Ireland vary according to the country of origin.

Congress delegates are asked to address enquiries about entry and vaccination requirements to the travel agent or to the local consulate of Ireland in the home country. More information can be found at

<https://www.dfa.ie/travel/visas/visas-for-ireland/>.

► Insurance

The congress fee does not include insurance. All participants should arrange for their own insurance. Health and accident insurance is recommended and has to be purchased in your country of origin.

► Currency

The official currency of Ireland is Euro (€).

Congress payments will be accepted only in Euro.

► Climate in Dublin

Dublin has a maritime climate. The day-time temperature in early September ranges between 10 and 17°C. Rain is possible.

► City of Dublin

Dublin is more than just a great conference location. Combining a solid reputation for education and innovation, with great accessibility, it is no coincidence that Dublin is now the European headquarters of many of the world's leading corporations, and a centre for academic research and innovation. As the home to many of the world's top ICT (Information and Communications Technology), Financial and Pharmaceutical corporations, it is a serious place to do business.

Yet, Dublin has not forgotten its roots and is steeped in a rich cultural heritage that begs to be explored. All year round, the city is alive with music, art and theatre of all kinds and, of course, art galleries and museums abound. All complemented by an impressive range of restaurants, cafés and shops, where delegates are often surprised by the city's competitiveness and value for money.



Travel to Dublin/Hotels in Dublin



► Air travel to Dublin

Dublin Airport is located approximately 10 km north of Dublin City Centre.

You can travel directly from Dublin Airport to central locations by the Dublin Express: www.dublinexpress.ie. You can also reach the city center and Convention Centre Dublin (CCD) by taxi. The estimated cost is between EUR 25 – 30.

► Travel to Dublin by Train and Ferry

By ferry you can reach Dublin from Douglas, Isle of Man (UK), Holyhead, Wales (UK), Liverpool, England (UK) and Cherbourg, France. A train and ferry ticket combination offers a cost effective and convenient method of travelling between the UK and Ireland.

► How to get around

Thanks to its compact size, many of the city's outlying districts are easy to explore on foot.

Besides this, Dublin's modern public transportation system encompasses a large network of trams and buses, which allows visitors to get around quickly and comfortably in the city.

ECP delegates can make use of their "Leap Card" (incl. in the registration fee). The Leap Card is a reloadable smart-card that can be used for individual journeys using travel credit on the train, tram, bus or to rent a Dublin Bike.

In addition, the Dublin Express (coach service) offers an efficient way to get from the airport to the city centre of Dublin. The journey only takes around 20 minutes.

► How to get to the Congress Center

By bus

The bus system offers a high frequency service across all of the city of Dublin. Many bus lines stop directly at the CCD (stop: Convention Centre).

By tram

Two tram lines (Green Line and Red Line) run through Dublin. The closest stops to the Convention Centre are "Mayor Square " or "Spencer Dock" (Red Line).

► Hotels in Dublin

CPO HANSER SERVICE GmbH has reserved a large number of hotel rooms in various hotels in different price categories in Dublin. The majority of the hotel rooms are located close to the CCD or within 2 – 3 stops on the local transport system in the City Centre.

Reservations will be possible via the website www.esp-congress.org.

Please note that many exhibitions and events take place in Dublin in early September and hotel availability is thus somewhat limited.

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Dates to Remember

- ▶ **19 April 2023** First deadline for early registration fees
- ▶ **19 April 2023** Deadline for abstract submission and bursary application
- ▶ **4 July 2023** Second deadline for early registration fees
- ▶ **9 September 2023** Opening Ceremony and Networking Reception of the 35th European Congress of Pathology

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