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Venue

The
Health
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The William O. Russell Annual Conference

The Nuts & Bolts
in Surgical Pathology

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Goals

This activity offers a deep dive into the latest classification systems in tumor pathology, challenging diagnostic issues, and new molecular tests shaping diagnosis and prognosis. Designed to enhance diagnostic accuracy in surgical pathology, this activity helps professionals refine their skills, avoid common pitfalls, and improve patient care. Through expert-led discussions and real-world case studies, professionals will gain practical tools and strategies they can apply in their daily practice to make more confident and precise diagnoses.

Educational Objectives

- Identify key updates and emerging trends in diagnostic and surgical pathology that impact everyday clinical practice.
- Apply the latest diagnostic criteria and biomarker advancements to improve accuracy in identifying neoplastic and non-neoplastic lesions.
- Utilize molecular and immunohistochemically testing effectively to enhance diagnosis and patient care.

Target Audience

The program should be of interest to practicing pathologists, pathology residents and fellows, oncologists, and clinicians in general.

Educational Methods

- Didactic Lectures
- Case Presentations
- Question-and-Answer

Planning Committee Members

Cesar A. Moran, MD
Activity Director

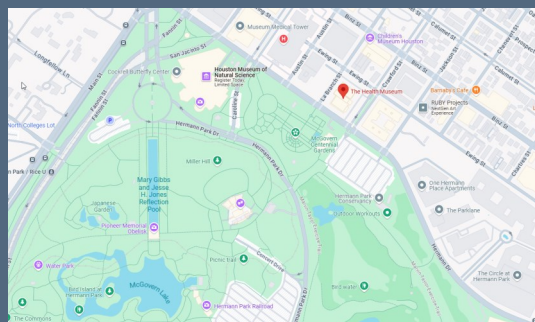
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The Health Museum



1515 Hermann Dr.
Houston, TX 77004



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Friday, December 5

8:00 am	Welcome	Donna E. Hansel/Cesar A. Moran
8:15 – 9:00 am	Ovarian Tumors, from Histology to Molecular Testing, Things that Can Help	Anais Malpica
9:00 – 9:45 am	Challenges with the Diagnosis of Endometrial Carcinoma in the Molecular Era	Preetha Ramalingam
9:45 – 10:00 am	Mid-Morning Break and Exhibitor Networking	
10:00 – 10:45 am	An Algorithmic Approach to Interesting Benign Breast Biopsies: Work-up, Clinical Management and Follow-up	Constance Albarracin
10:45 – 11:30 am	Breast Cancer Biomarker Testing: Updates, Obstacles, and Future Direction	Hui Chen
11:30 – 12:15 pm	Discussion of Cases 1 and 2	Barrett C. Lawson/Sagar Dhamne
12:15 – 2:00 pm	Lunch and Exhibitor Networking	
2:00 – 2:45 pm	Mimics of Lymphoma	L. Jeffrey Medeiros
2:45 – 3:30 pm	The Evolving Landscape of Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma: What You Need to Know?	Francisco Vega
3:30 – 4:15 pm	Barrett's Esophagus and Esophageal Adenocarcinoma - Pathology and Clinically Relevant Biomarkers	Dipen Maru
4:15 – 5:00 pm	Am I a GIST or Not?	Wei-Lien Wang
5:00 – 5:45 pm	Discussion of Cases 3 and 4	Rebecca E. Waters/Jonathan L. Curry
5:45 – 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception (<i>All Learners, Speakers and Exhibitors Welcome</i>)	

Saturday, December 6

8:00 – 8:45 am	Common Diagnostic Pitfalls in Pulmonary Pathology	Annikka Weissferdt
8:45 – 9:30 am	Pleural Mesothelioma: Facts and Fiction	Cesar A. Moran
9:30 – 9:45 am	Mid-Morning Break and Exhibitor Networking	
9:45 – 10:30 am	Targeting Thyroid Cancer - Histology Before and After	Michelle Williams
10:30 – 11:15 am	Papillary Thyroid Carcinoma: Historical Arc from Discovery to Molecular Diagnostics	Bruce M. Wenig
11:15 – 11:30 am	Russell Award Ceremony	Adel El-Naggar/Donna E. Hansel
11:30 – 12:15 pm	Discussion of Cases 5 and 6	Mena Mansour/Cesar A. Moran
12:15 – 2:00 pm	Lunch and Exhibitor Networking	
2:00 – 2:45 pm	Diagnosis of Renal Cell Carcinoma: A Contemporary Clinicopathologic and Molecular Approach	Kanishka Sircar
2:45 – 3:30 pm	Challenging Diagnostic Issues of Prostatic Cancer with an Emphasis on Molecular Subtypes	Miao Zhang
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Mid-Afternoon Break and Exhibitor Networking	
3:45 – 4:30 pm	Lipomatous Tumors: Il buono, il brutto, il cattivo	Jeanne M. Meis
4:30 – 5:15 pm	Advances in Pathology of Melanoma: Diagnosis, Prognosis, and Prediction to Response to Therapy	Carlos Torres-Cabala
5:15 pm	Farewell	Cesar A. Moran

MD Anderson Faculty

Constance Albarracin, MD Professor
Hui Chen, MD Associate Professor
Jonathan L. Curry, MD Professor
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Invited Speaker

Bruce M. Wenig, MD
Chair and Senior Member
Department of Pathology
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Package

- **Parking:** For learners planning on driving, there will be parking available at the venue.
- The registration includes:
 - **Lectures:** Attendance to all lectures.
 - **Case Preview:** Preview of six cases that will be presented for case discussion.
 - **Lunch:** Lunch and exhibit networking.
 - **Reception:** Welcome reception with networking, including wine and cheese.
- **Accommodation:** For those visiting from outside of Texas, please visit the conference site for suggestions regarding hotels near the venue.

Registration

This two-day conference on **Nuts & Bolts in Surgical Pathology** will begin on **Friday, December 5, 2025**, with Welcome & Opening Remarks at **8:00 AM** and will adjourn for the day at **5:45 PM**. Following the final session, please join us for the Welcome Reception.

The conference will reconvene on **Saturday, December 6, 2025**, at **8:00 AM** and adjourn at **5:15 PM**.

This conference will be held at [The Health Museum](#), 1515 Hermann Drive, Houston, TX 77004.



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