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Venue

The
Health
Museum

The William O. Russell Annual Conference

The Nuts & Bolts
in Surgical Pathology

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

MDAnderson
Cancer Center

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June 3, 2025

RE: **The William O. Russell Annual Conference: Nuts and Bolts in Surgical Pathology**
The Health Museum, John P. McGovern Museum of Health & Medical Science
1515 Hermann Drive
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Potential Exhibitor:

On behalf of **The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center** and **Activity Director, Cesar A. Moran, MD** Professor, Division of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and **Co-Directors, Donna E. Hansel, MD, PhD**, Division Head of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, and **Annikka Weissferdt, MD**, Professor, Division of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine we would like to invite you to exhibit at our upcoming **The William O. Russell Annual Conference: Nuts and Bolts in Surgical Pathology**, scheduled for **December 5 – 6, 2025** at [The Health Museum, John P. McGovern Museum of Health & Medical Sciences](#) in **Houston, Texas**. We offer a variety of exhibitor packages, as well as some Satellite Symposium opportunities for your consideration, each designed to provide unique opportunities for participation.

OVERVIEW

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.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE GAP

Pathologists need stay up to date with the latest tumor classification, diagnostic criteria, molecular testing and tumor biomarkers. With evolving guidelines and new molecular and immunohistochemical tests, pathologists need reliable tools to improve accuracy and avoid errors. This activity provides practical insights, real-world case discussions, and expert guidance to help participants refine their diagnostic skills and make more confident decisions. By bridging these knowledge gaps, pathologists can deliver more precise diagnoses, enhance patient care, and stay at the forefront of surgical pathology.

KNOWLEDGE GAP

Accurate and timely diagnoses in tumor pathology increasingly depend on the seamless integration of traditional histopathological evaluation with advanced molecular and biomarker testing. However, many professionals face challenges in keeping pace with rapidly evolving technologies and the expanding landscape of prognostic and predictive biomarkers. This knowledge gap can lead to missed diagnostic opportunities, suboptimal treatment decisions, and potential errors in patient management. Ongoing education is essential to ensure that pathologists and clinicians remain current with these advancements, enabling them to interpret complex results effectively, avoid diagnostic pitfalls, and deliver more precise and personalized care to their patients.

COMPETENCE GAP

To provide optimal patient care, pathologists must continually advance their expertise in the rapidly evolving field of Anatomic and Surgical Pathology. This requires not only staying informed about the latest developments—including updated classification systems, novel diagnostic criteria, and cutting-edge molecular and ancillary testing—but also developing the practical skills to integrate these advancements into daily practice. Many pathologists face challenges in confidently interpreting complex and atypical cases, applying new diagnostic frameworks, and leveraging advanced technologies. Addressing this competence gap is essential for improving diagnostic precision, minimizing interpretive errors, and ensuring that patients benefit from the most current and effective diagnostic strategies available.

OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this educational activity, participants should be able to:

- 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 FORMAT

Didactic Lectures, Case Presentations, and Question and Answer Sessions

Satellite Symposium – \$15,000

A 45-minute informational presentation and discussion by industry representatives and others speaking on behalf of their company offers healthcare providers with valuable scientific and clinical information about medicines that may lead to improved patient care. Satellite Symposiums provide the platform for these valuable presentations. Please review the following for important information. If your company is interested, you may choose one slot from the following four available options.

OPTION 1	
Breakfast Symposium	Date: Friday, December 5, 2025 Time: 7:15 – 8:00 am

OPTION 2	
Breakfast Symposium	Date: Saturday, December 6, 2025 Time: 7:15 – 8:00 am

Presentation Information

Satellite Symposium are promotional presentations that highlight a new service or provide material about product development. A Satellite Symposium should be appropriate and professional, as well as focus on the science related to the development of product or of a service provide by the company.

Satellite Symposium sponsors are not permitted to certify the Satellite Symposium by a CE Provider and must submit faculty and topics to CPE for approval.

Submit the following information by **Monday, November 17, 2025**, to rpdavis@mdanderson.org

- Title of Presentation for the Satellite Symposium Presentation
- Name, Title, Credentials and contact information of the speaker/faculty
- Two bullet points that provide a description of the Satellite Symposium topic

A Satellite Symposium sponsor is responsible for the content of its presentation, including obtaining all appropriate copyright permissions and licenses for slides and other materials that will be presented or distributed.

Satellite Symposiums Accepted

A completed agreement, with full payment are accepted for Satellite Symposiums on a first-come, first-served basis.

PLATINUM – \$10,000

- Five complimentary registrations
- Five complimentary networking reception tickets – Friday, December 5, 2025, from 5:45 – 7:00 pm
- Acknowledgement on the Supporter/Exhibitor Tab on the conference webpage, with company name, company logo, link to company website, and the ability to post 3 – 6 product information (pdfs)
- Designated premium location
- Networking breaks that occur in and adjacent to the Exhibit Hall
- Platinum level recognition
- 6 ft. exhibit table (draped) with two chairs
- Wireless internet connection
- Complimentary meals (available with exhibitor badge)

GOLD – \$7,500

- Four complimentary registrations
- Four complimentary networking reception tickets – Friday, December 5, 2025, from 5:45 – 7:00 pm
- Acknowledgement on the Supporter/Exhibitor Tab on the conference webpage, with company name, company logo, link to company website
- Designated premium location
- Networking breaks that occur in and adjacent to the Exhibit Hall
- Gold level recognition
- 6 ft. exhibit table (draped) with two chairs
- Wireless internet connection
- Complimentary meals (available with exhibitor badge)

SILVER – \$5,000

- Three complimentary registrations
- Three complimentary networking reception tickets – Friday, December 5, 2025, from 5:45 – 7:00 pm
- Acknowledgement on the Supporter/Exhibitor Tab on the conference webpage, with company name and link to company website
- Designated location (tables available on a first come, first served basis)
- Networking breaks that occur in and adjacent to the Exhibit Hall
- Silver level recognition
- 6 ft. exhibit table (draped) with two chairs
- Wireless internet connection
- Complimentary meals (available with exhibitor badge)

BRONZE – \$2,500

- Two complimentary registrations
- Two complimentary networking reception tickets – Friday, December 5, 2025, from 5:45 – 7:00 pm
- Acknowledgement on the Supporter/Exhibitor Tab on the conference webpage with company name
- Designated location (tables available on a first come, first served basis)
- Networking breaks that occur in and adjacent to the Exhibit Hall
- Bronze level recognition
- 6 ft. exhibit table (draped) with two chairs
- Wireless internet connection
- Complimentary meals (available with exhibitor badge)

NON-PROFIT – \$1,500

- Two complimentary registrations
- Two complimentary networking reception tickets – Friday, December 5, 2025, from 5:45 – 7:00 pm
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CONFERENCE LOCATION

[The Health Museum, John P. McGovern Museum of Health & Medical Science](#)

1515 Hermann Drive

Houston, Texas 77004

CONFERENCE TIMES

Friday, December 5, 2025	Saturday, December 6, 2025
Conference: 8:00 am – 5:45 pm	Conference: 8:00 am – 5:15 pm
Set-Up: 7:15 – 8:00 am	Set-Up: 7:15 – 8:00 am
Dismantle: 5:45 pm	Dismantle: 3:45 pm

REGISTER

Exhibit Only

[Please Click Here for More Information or To Register.](#)

To register as an exhibitor, click on the Exhibitor tab, select Exhibit at this Event

Exhibit + Satellite Symposium

To register as an exhibitor and the Satellite Symposium, please contact me directly.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information for this request. We appreciate your consideration to participate as an exhibitor at this exceptional educational activity.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,

Robyn P. Davis

Senior Continuing Education Coordinator

Continuing Professional Education

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

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
Adel El-Naggar, MD Professor
Donna E. Hansel, MD Professor, Division Head
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Michelle Williams, MD Professor
Miao Zhang, MD Associate Professor

Invited Speaker

Bruce M. Wenig, MD
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Registration is now open.
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