UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Gastrointestinal Pathology Fellowship

Description: The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine offers a one-year fellowship designed to provide an in-depth training in GI and liver pathology. The importance of clinicopathological interaction for optimal diagnostic interpretation is stressed. Fellows are encouraged to engage in research projects. The program historically has had a well defined core of responsibilities outlined for the fellow and has allowed considerable flexibility for the fellow to develop clinical and academic skills important for career development. The core responsibilities include preparing cases of GI, liver and pancreatic diseases for a core of surgical pathology faculty with subspecialty expertise including G. Cortina, S. Dry and C. Lassman. The fellow organizes and attends two weekly conferences dedicated to GI and liver pathology with extensive clinical contact. The liver pathology experience is fortified by close contact with hepatologists and liver transplant surgeons. The volume of cases exceeds 10,000 per year with thousands of endoscopic biopsies and GI surgical resections, hundreds of liver transplants, many non-transplant related liver diseases, and 50 pancreatic resections. Pediatric and adult diseases in neoplastic and non-neoplastic pathology are represented. The fellow is well supervised and graded responsibility including a "junior attending" status is the goal. Program flexibility allows for focused research efforts, or broader clinical experience. A variety of local educational conferences are available as is an academic fund to attend national meetings or for educational materials. Two fellowship positions are offered each year.

Requirements: Three years AP experience. California Medical license required.

Types and Numbers of Appointments: There are two fellows per academic year.

Stipends: Support is commensurate with the candidate's level of training.

Applications: Applications should be received by February 1 of the year preceding the fellowship, although applications are considered on a rolling basis. Please contact Fellowship Coordinator for a list of requirements and application. Submit a curriculum vitae and the names of three references to: Galen Cortina, MD, PhD, Program Director, GI Pathology Fellowship, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, 10833 Le Conte Avenue, Room A7-149 CHS, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1732. Address inquiries to: Annetta Pierro, Fellowship Education Coordinator, David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA, Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, 10833 Le Conte Ave, Room: 13-145G CHS, Los Angeles, CA 90025
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