
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS MEDICAL CENTER

Cytopathology Fellowship

Description: This one-year accredited program is designed to train and develop expertise in advanced cytopathology, including interpretation of gynecologic and gynecologic specimens and performance, interpretations of fine needle aspiration biopsies, and appropriate application and interpretation of ancillary techniques such as flow cytometry, immunocytochemistry, molecular diagnostics and cytogenetics. Approximately 13,000 patient cases across a wide variety of sites are evaluated each year, of which about 6,000 are non-gynecologic specimens. Fine needle aspirates comprise one third of the non-gynecologic specimens and include performance of superficial fine needle aspirations and on-site assessment of image guided aspirate samples (CT, ultrasound, and endoscopic ultrasound). An extensive study set is available to supplement gynecologic cytology training. Histologic correlation and review is emphasized. Particularly strong interdisciplinary programs exist in endocrinology, otolaryngology and cancer prevention and control (breast primarily). After an initial closely supervised training period, fellows are expected to assume graded responsibility in sign-out, fine needle aspiration biopsy and appropriate supervisory/teaching roles, with staff backup. Participation in interdisciplinary patient management conferences and teaching of pathology residents and medical students is required. Fellows are expected to design and complete a research project and participate in the Introduction to Clinical Research Seminar Series certificate program offered by the General Clinical Research Center (GCRC). Fellows all participate in the Progressive Evaluation for Competency program offered by the American Society of Cytopathology. Up to three ACGME accredited fellowship positions are available. Research interests of the faculty include fine needle aspiration biopsy, biomarkers, breast pathology, gastrointestinal pathology and urologic pathology.

Requirements: Candidates must be Board eligible or certified in anatomic pathology or anatomic and clinical pathology and must have or be eligible for an unrestricted license to practice medicine in Kansas. Preference will be given to candidates who have demonstrated an interest in pursuing an academic career in cytopathology.

Stipends: Cytopathology fellow stipend for 2012-2013 was \$50,124. Apartments and reasonably priced houses are plentiful within a convenient distance of the medical center.

Staff: Fang Fan MD, PhD, Co-program Director; Rashna Madan MD; Maura O'Neil MD; Ossama W. Tawfik MD, PhD; Barbara Atkinson MD.

Applications: Deadline for application is December 1, nineteen(19) months prior to the beginning of the Fellowship on July 1. Please complete the standardized online form:

http://www.cap.org/apps/docs/pathology_residents/pdf/RF_Stand_Fellowship_App_0607.pdf. Email the online standardized form, 3 letters of recommendation and CV to Charla Tunget, Program Coordinator, University of Kansas Medical Center, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, 3901 Rainbow Blvd., Kansas City, KS 66160

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