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## AANP Centennial Meeting

The AANP is looking forward to the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, which will again be a hybrid meeting! The meeting is set to occur in Olympic Valley, CA at the Everline Resort and Spa, while the virtual live-stream portion will be hosted via the vendor *Blue Sky eLearn*.

The Centennial Meeting features a one-day *Special Course* focusing on "Reflecting Backward While Marching Forward", followed by two days of scientific sessions (platform and poster) in which members present original research, an evening *Diagnostic Slide Session*, and a half-day *Presidential Symposium* titled, "Our Local and Global Connections in Neuropathology."

This year the AANP is pleased to offer three ancillary meetings on Wednesday, June 5. Registrants for the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting are eligible to register and attend one meeting in person as the meetings occur concurrently. There is no additional fee to register for an ancillary meeting. Please note that two of the meetings have attendance caps due to room capacity. The meetings will NOT be live streamed; however, recordings of the audio and slides will be made available to all registered attendees following the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and will be available through August 31, 2024.

### ***How to Integrate Genomic DNA Methylation Profiling into Neuropathology Symposium***

June 5, 2024, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm PDT. The Course Directors are Craig Horbinski, MD and Kristyn Galbraith, MD. This activity is accredited for continuing medical education (CME) credit. This activity is only offered in-person, on-site in Olympic Valley, CA. On-site attendance is not capped.

### ***Forensic Neuropathology Symposium***

June 5, 2024, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm PDT. The Course Directors are R. Ross Reichard, MD and Rebecca D. Folkerth, MD. This activity is accredited for continuing medical education (CME) credit. This activity is limited to 50 registrants and is only offered in-person, on-site in Olympic Valley, CA.

**Education in Neuropathology – History, Best Practices, and Innovations Symposium**

June 5, 2024, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm PDT. The Course Directors are Maria Martinez-Lage, MD and Suzanne Powell, MD. This activity is accredited for continuing medical education (CME) credit. This activity is limited to 50 registrants and is only offered in-person, on-site in Olympic Valley, CA.

Additionally, as part of the abstract submission process, submitters had the opportunity to apply for travel awards offered by the AANP. The AANP is pleased to fund the following awards to attend this year’s Annual Meeting which will be awarded based on abstract submissions:

- Up to 4 – ISN Travel Awards
- 3 – \$1,000 AANP Trainee Travel Awards
- 3 – \$1,000 Richard Davis Trainee Travel Awards
- 15 – \$500 Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Trainee Travel Awards
- 15 – \$500 Trainee Travel Awards

The AANP will continue to update membership and meeting registrants as we plan the meeting, both via official communications and through the AANP website at [www.neuropath.org](http://www.neuropath.org).

We look forward to a successful hybrid Centennial Meeting!



**Countdown to 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting: 58 Days**

**Important Items**



**Reminders**

- [Registration](#) for the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
  - Member of AANP: \$700.00
  - Senior: \$650.00
  - Non-Member: \$750.00
  - Trainee (e.g. post-doc, fellow): \$500.00



**Mark Your Calendars!**

- 101<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting:
  - June 19-22, 2025: Hyatt Regency Minneapolis, Minneapolis, MN
- 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting:
  - June 4-7, 2026: Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay, Cambridge, MD

**Exhibitors**

At the time of this newsletter publication, the AANP has secured four exhibitors for this year’s Annual Meeting. During the meeting, please plan to set aside time to visit the Exhibit Hall, both virtually and in-person, to discuss product(s) and/or service(s). We give our sincerest “thanks” to each of these supporters, as they each help in advancing the neuropathology profession through the support of the meeting.

Exhibitors:

- [Caris Life Sciences](#)
- [Elsevier, Inc.](#)
- [The Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine](#)
- [ZEISS](#)

If you have suggestions for exhibitors/sponsors that you would like to see at the Annual Meetings, please contact [aanp@aoeconsulting.com](mailto:aanp@aoeconsulting.com).

## On the Horizon

### 65<sup>th</sup> Diagnostic Slide Session

Don't miss out on the 65<sup>th</sup> *Diagnostic Slide Session (DSS)* at this year's Annual Meeting! This year 11 cases will be presented on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Neuropathologists in Olympic Valley, CA. In early May 2024, whole slide images (scanned at x40) and protocols will be placed on the DSS website.

### New Resources for AANP Members

The Education and Website Committees collaborated to create a list of recurring and one-time educational opportunities from which AANP Members can access virtual education on topics relevant to their practice and educational needs. Click here to access: <https://aanp.memberclicks.net/educational-opportunities> (log-in required).

Moving forward if you would like to receive monthly educational opportunities notifications, please subscribe to the "Educational Opportunities" topic within the Neuropathology Community Forum:

<https://aanp.memberclicks.net/neuropathology-community-forum>. The forum is accessible from the "Education" menu on the AANP website once you log-in. Click the "Educational Opportunities" topic and then click "Subscribe."

### USCAP Co-Branded Course

The AANP collaborated with the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology on its second Co-Branded Interactive Microscopy Course. The course, *Updates of the WHO Classification of Brain and Pituitary Tumors*, will occur May 15 – 17, 2024 at the USCAP Interactive Learning Center in Palm Springs, CA.

The detailed course agenda is located [here](#).

For more information and to register click [here](#).

## AANP Education Updates and Reminders

### AANP Teaching Rounds

The American Association of Neuropathologists is proud to offer Teaching Rounds, a monthly, regularly scheduled series to occur the fourth week each month, alternating between Monday and Wednesday. The series occurs from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Eastern Time. For more information visit [www.neuropath.org/teaching-rounds](http://www.neuropath.org/teaching-rounds)

To register for this series, please go to <https://aanp.memberclicks.net/2024teachingrounds#!/> The cost is as follows:

- AANP Members: Free of charge; registration still required
- Non-Members: \$100.00/year
- Trainee (Non-Member): \$5.00/year

## 2024 Schedule

Date	Presenter	Topic
Wednesday, April 24th	Vanessa Smith, MD	Brain Cutting
Monday, May 20th	Hunter Cai, MD	Crafting a Meaningful Muscle Pathology Report – Dermatomyositis and its Mimickers
Wednesday, June 26th	Angelica Oviedo, MD	How to Write a Case Report
Monday, July 22nd	Jose Otero, MD, PhD	Digital Pathology
Wednesday, August 28th	Aivi Nguyen, MD	Neurodegeneration Cases
Monday, September 23rd	Rebecca Folkerth, MD	Brain Swelling and Patterns of Herniation
Wednesday, October 23rd	Melike Pekmezci, MD	Molecular Tumor Syndromes
Monday, November 25th	Sandra Camelo-Piragua, MD	Intraoperative Neuropathology
Wednesday, December 11th	Rebecca Folkerth, MD	Autopsy Genotype/Phenotype Correlations in Epilepsy

*Please note:* Registration is capped at 445 attendees due to platform capacity.

## AANP Fall 2023 Membership Survey

The [AANP Fall 2023 Membership Survey](#), conducted between mid-October through late November of 2023, was completed by 118 AANP members. Responses drive AANP development of educational activities, including Annual Meeting content, and help document professional practice gaps and subsequent areas of education need, which is an ACCME requirement for accredited CE. The survey is **NOT** a test; instead, it is a tool to illuminate topics or areas for which education might be appropriate.

The primary focus of the survey is clinical assertion statements which are developed by the Education Committee and focused on identified areas which change from year to year. This year the survey focused on the following topic areas:

- Toxic/Metabolic
- Methods in Education – Residents and Medical Students
- DNA Methylation
- Cognition/Memory Formation and Related Disorders
- New or Provisional CNS5 WHO Entities
- Digital Pathology
- Artificial Intelligence

Past membership survey summaries are posted on the AANP website at [www.neuropath.org/survey](http://www.neuropath.org/survey).

## AANP Membership Benefits

The [American Association of Neuropathologists](#) (AANP) is your go-to source for the latest solutions, innovations, and trends impacting your practice. With the AANP, you'll be more equipped to serve your patients and the public while building a professional network with others in the field.

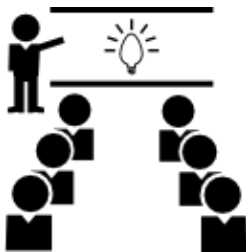
Secure your [AANP membership](#) today to stay informed and gain insights into best practices that you can implement in your practice. You will receive the following member benefits:



Ongoing AANP communication via e-mail and newsletters, and access to the community forum as well as access to a list of educational opportunities.



Free online subscription to the [Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology](#) for Active, Junior and Associate Members as well as waived page charges and a reduced open access rate for all members.



Reduced registration fees for the [AANP Annual Meetings](#), along with [AANP Teaching Rounds](#).



Active members have full voting privileges, the ability to be elected and serve as officers, and are fully eligible and can request to serve on committees.

Not a member? Know someone who could benefit from being a member? (e.g. graduate student or neuroscientist studying diseases that affect the nervous system, neuropathology fellow, young clinician or physician involved in research and/or the practice of neuropathology) Visit the AANP membership webpage at <https://www.neuropath.org/join> for more information.

## International Society of Neuropathologists (ISN)

Did you know that by being a member of the AANP, you are automatically a member of the ISN? The ISN was founded to encourage the exchange of ideas and information between those societies and individuals interested in neuropathology. The neuropathology field has become global, making the ISN an ideal platform to communicate and network with others worldwide. For more information about the ISN, visit their [website](#).

## Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology

As a member of the American Association of Neuropathologists (AANP), you can access the *Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology (JNEN)* directly from the members-only area of the AANP's website! Follow the steps outlined below.

### Accessing the JNEN via the AANP Members-Only Area:

1. [Log-in](#) to your MemberClicks profile using the "Member Login" in the top right corner of the AANP Homepage.
2. Once logged in, click "My AANP" from the blue menu bar on the far right.
3. Under your nametag, on the right, select "Access JNEN". You will be taken directly to the JNEN webpage with access to all content.

**Please Note:** If you do not access the JNEN via the AANP members-only area of the website, you will need to log-in via the Oxford University Press website using your credentials specific to that account.

### JNEN Email Alerts

1. At the bottom of the "Access JNEN" page (see above), we encourage you to sign up for the Email alerts.
2. Register to receive table of contents Email alerts from Oxford University Press as soon as new issues of *Journal of Neuropathology & Experimental Neurology* are published online.
3. Sign up by using "Sign in" under "Personal Account".

**Don't forget that as an AANP member, you benefit from waived page charges and a reduced open access rate to the JNEN. Please submit your manuscripts to JNEN—remember, it is our journal.**

If you have any questions or feedback regarding the JNEN, please contact Dr. Jack Lee, Editor-in-Chief at [jlee9@northshore.org](mailto:jlee9@northshore.org).

## Upcoming Meetings of Interest

<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Meeting Dates and Location</i>
<a href="#">European Examination in Neuropathology</a>	May 9-10, 2024 - Zurich, Switzerland
<a href="#">6<sup>th</sup> European Basic Course in Neuropathology</a>	September 24-27, 2024 – Aachen, Germany
<a href="#">World Muscle Society (WMS) 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of the World</a>	October 8-12, 2024 – Prague, Czechia
<a href="#">Association for Molecular Pathology 2024 Annual Meeting</a>	November 19-23, 2024 – Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
<a href="#">13<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Neuropathology</a>	June 11-14, 2025 – Maastricht, Netherlands

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