



## Society News

European Confederation  
of Neuropathological  
Societies

Dear Readers,

We are pleased to report that Euro-CNS has worked closely with the European Society of Pathology on several neuropathology sessions for the European Congress of Pathology that will be held in September this year. At the same time, the Euro-CNS Course coordinators have worked diligently on the organization of the next Euro-CNS course, which is on Neurodegenerative Diseases and which will be held from October 25 to 27 this year in Amsterdam. We are always happy to receive reviews from course participants: below you will find a review of the recently held course on Muscle Diseases. The Japanese Society and the International Society of Neuropathology have intensified the preparations for the next International Congress of Neuropathology which will be held in Tokyo from September 23 – 27, 2018. A brief update is provided in this news section and a longer update will be provided in our next issue.

*We hope you will enjoy this news issue!*

*With kind regards,*

*The Euro-CNS News Editorial Team*

## Euro-CNS and the European Society of Pathology

In 2015, the European Society of Pathology (ESP) invited Euro-CNS to develop a relationship with the ESP as an associate society. The envisioned purpose of such a partnership was to guarantee the continuity, stability and visibility of neuropathology. A major task for Euro-CNS would be to contribute for the ESP Congresses scientific and instructive program proposals focusing on neuropathology issues relevant for general pathology. This idea was approved at the Euro-CNS Council meeting in June 2016, where Prof. Anne Vital, as president of Euro-CNS, and Prof. Lammens, Treasurer of Euro-CNS, were appointed as the Euro-CNS representatives in this relationship, with Bjarne Winther Kristensen as advisor. This proposal was approved by both societies. Consequently, Prof. Lammens attended the meeting of the ESP Working Groups in September 2016 in Cologne, Germany. The Euro-CNS proposals for scientific neuropathology sessions and workshops for the ESP 2017 were accepted by the Scientific Program Committee of the ESP. Euro-CNS is now very pleased to announce the following sessions at the ESP Congress in Amsterdam in September 2017 as being coordinated by Euro-CNS:

### 5 September 2017

Long Course: How to handle neuropathological issues at autopsy?  
Symposium: The pathological diagnosis of inflammatory myopathies  
Short Course: The pathological diagnosis of CNS Tumors: tips and tricks for a down to earth approach

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Videomicroscopy: CNS Tumors

vides an update on all aspects of diagnostic and molecular pathology. The motto of the congress – Pathology for Patient Care – will highlight the added value of the pathology science and discipline in providing care and improving health outcomes for patients and population. The aim of the organizers is to provide an up-to-date scientific program covering all major areas of diagnostic, translational, molecular, and investigative pathology. Special emphasis will be put on both recent discoveries in pathology and the reinforcement of close clinicopathological cooperation.

The core program, prepared with a strong input from the ESP Working Groups, will encompass the following topics:

- Autopsy Pathology
- Breast Pathology
- Cardiovascular Pathology
- Cytopathology
- Dermatopathology
- Digestive Diseases Pathology
- Electron Microscopy
- Endocrine Pathology
- Gynecological Pathology
- Hematopathology
- Head and Neck Pathology
- History of Pathology
- Infectious Diseases Pathology
- IT in Pathology
- Molecular Pathology
- Nephropathology
- Neuropathology
- Ophthalmic Pathology
- Pediatric and Perinatal Pathology
- Pathology in Favour of Developing Countries
- Pulmonary Pathology
- Soft Tissue and Bone Pathology
- Thymic and Mediastinal Pathology
- Uropathology

A wide range of clinically orientated and scientific sessions will be offered, comprising Slide Seminars, Short Courses, Symposia, Videomicroscopy, and Special Sessions, as well as Oral Free Paper and Poster Sessions.

Website:

<https://www.esp-pathology.org/>

## European Congress of Pathology, September 2 – 6, 2017

The 29<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Pathology (ECP 2017) will be held from September 2 to 6, 2017, at the Amsterdam RAI. The program pro-



## CME Course Neuro- degenerative Diseases, Amsterdam, October 25 – 27, 2017

The updated Euro-CNS neuropathology training course “Neurodegenerative Diseases” will be held from October 25 to 27, 2017, at the Academic Medical Center in Amsterdam. The newly updated course consists of lectures with an emphasis on teaching. Practical (microscope-based) sessions are part of the course. This course and workshop will provide practising (neuro)pathologists, clinicians and researchers with up-to-date reviews of the classification and the diagnostic problems in the pathology of neurodegenerative diseases. The course language is English. Participants will receive a richly illustrated work manual of the histopathology of the most common neurodegenerative disorders.

### Target group

The course is intended for all involved in the pathological diagnosis of neurodegenerative diseases: trainees and specialists in pathology, neuropathology, neurosurgery, neurology or neuro-oncology.

### Accreditation

Accreditation will be requested from the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME). CME accreditation granted by the UEMS-EACCME® provides a guarantee to participants from all over the world that the content of the CME provided is of a high quality, unbiased and didactic and, for European doctors, that this quality will be recognized in their home country. There is a mutual recognition agreement with the American Medical Association (AMA). Participants will receive an EACCME certificate at the end of the course.



### Topics include

- General overview of neurodegeneration
- Cellular pathology, morphology and immunohistochemistry, nomenclature of immunoreactive structures
- Neuropathology of motorneuron disorders and frontotemporal lobar degeneration
- Neuropathology of tauopathies, synucleinopathies and prion diseases
- Neuropathology of vascular dementia and Alzheimer’s disease
- Genetics and clinicopathological aspects of Parkinson syndrome, hyperkinesia and cerebellar ataxia
- Ceroid lipofuscinosis and pantothenate kinase-associated neurodegeneration

### Program

The tentative program is available from the Euro-CNS website.

### Organization

#### Program

Gabor Kovacs, Vienna, Austria  
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### Registration and travel grants

Registration (online) is open. The registration fee is 850 Euro for Euro-CNS members and 950 Euro for non-members. A limited number of

grants of 550 Euro is available for young trainees in neuropathology in Europe. The International Society of Neuropathology also has grants available for young candidates living in low-income countries. For details we refer to our website:

[www.euro-cns.org](http://www.euro-cns.org)

### Participant’s review of the Muscle Course, March 2017

Last March, I attended my first Euro-CNS course on Muscle and Peripheral Nerve Pathology. This 3-day course was held at the Institute of Neuropathology, Universitätsklinikum der RWTH in Aachen, Germany. The topic of the first 2 days was muscular pathology, and the topic of the last day was peripheral nerve pathology. In a structured way, we learned about muscular dystrophies, different types of myopathies, and different types of neuropathies. The program consisted of alternating lectures and slide sessions. For the slide sessions, microscopes and various slides for study were provided. It was very helpful for me to study the different pathologies in this intensive way. It taught me to develop a practical and structured approach to muscle and nerve biopsies. The speakers, who are very experienced in their field of work, contributed greatly to the success of this course. The lectures were good to follow and (most of the time) there was time for questions and answers.

Besides studying, we were able to get to know each other during the coffee breaks and lunch. The organization of the program was managed fluently and very well. There was also a nice dinner at “Ratskeller” in the center of Aachen, where we all had a lovely evening together. I would like to conclude with my thanks to the course organization and the local support in the Klinikum, for organizing a very valuable course for (neuro) pathologists. I am looking forward to the next course!

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## Invitation 19<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Neuro- pathology, September 23 – 27, 2018, Tokyo

We would like to share with you the invitation to attend the ICN2108 in Tokyo. More details will be published in the next issue of Euro-CNS News.

*“On behalf of the International Society of Neuropathology and the Local Organizing Committee of the Congress, it is my great pleasure to announce that the 19<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Neuropathology (ICN) will be held from 23 to 27 September 2018 in Japan. The venue for the meeting will be the Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo which is located in the capital city of Tokyo.*

*The ICN 2018 will be held in conjunction with the 4<sup>th</sup> Asian Congress of Neuropathology, the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Neuropathology and the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Japan Society of Brain Tumor Pathology, and promises to provide many wonderful lectures by the distinguished invited speakers. An exciting and interdisciplinary scientific program is currently being prepared by the scientific committee.*

*We look forward to welcoming you to Tokyo.*

*Hitoshi Takahashi  
and the ICN Local  
Organizing Committee*



## Euro-CNS educational activities for the remainder of 2017 and 2018

October 25 – 27, 2017, Amsterdam, the Netherlands (registration open)  
Euro-CNS CME Training Course  
“Neurodegenerative Diseases”

October 4 – 5, 2017, Budapest, Hungary  
European Examination in  
Neuropathology

March 13 – 16, 2018, Amsterdam, the Netherlands (registration open)  
Euro-CNS Training Course in Basic  
Neuropathology

June 2018, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
Euro-CNS CME Training Course  
“Developmental Neuropathology”  
Please visit the Euro-CNS website for  
further details

## Meeting Calendar

August 29 – 31, 2017, London, United Kingdom  
15<sup>th</sup> European Neurology Congress  
<http://www.neurologyconference.com/europe/>

September 2 – 6, 2017, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
29<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Pathology (ECP 2017)  
<http://www.neurologyconference.com/europe/>

October 25 – 27, 2017, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
CME Course “Neurodegenerative Diseases”  
<http://www.euro-cns.org/events>

July 7 – 11, 2018, Berlin, Germany  
11<sup>th</sup> FENS Forum of Neuroscience  
<http://forum2018.fens.org/>

September 23 – 27, 2018, Tokyo, Japan  
19<sup>th</sup> International Congress of  
Neuropathology, Tokyo, Japan  
<http://icn2018.umin.jp/>

June 3 – 6, 2020, Odense, Denmark  
12<sup>th</sup> European Congress of  
Neuropathology  
[www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings](http://www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings)

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