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Dear chapter members,

Greetings from IAPM Kerala.

The 95th Chapter meeting

Date Second Saturday, 9th August 2025

Venue Govt. Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram

Organising secretary Dr Lali K Rajan

Associate Professor Dept of Pathology Govt. Medical College Thiruvananthapuram

Slide seminar topic Non Gynecologic cytopathology

Moderator Dr Lekha K Nair

Professor

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There are certain announcements to be made reg 95th Kerala Chapter IAPM meet

Matter	Explanations
	GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS
Slide seminar case submission details	➤ A letter regarding submission of slide seminar case details and last date of submission has already been sent
Submission details	by the moderator. A summary of the details is provided below Kindly send interesting/ rare/challenging cytology cases
Last date for submission of	from your centre along with all clinical details, radiological and laboratory investigation details, relevant photomicrographs of cytology slides, cell
list of cases by the contributing centres to the IAPM officials in the Google form provided—	blocks, clot biopsy, histopathology slides, IHC profile and molecular details if available along with diagnosis and follow up details of patient. These details should be
1st May 2025	submitted in the pdf format via google form which is shared along with this newsletter.
Last date for sending blocks & slides by the selected contributing centres to the moderator on request- June 8	➤ PDF file should be less than 20MB.
	➤ If there is more than one case, all should be compiled as single pdf file.
	Only one pdf submission (including all cases) is permitted per institution.
	Responses cannot be modified after submission
	 Do not include author or institution information in the pdf file.

Proceedings of the upcoming slide seminars (decided in the online GB).

- 1. The centres will contribute list of cases with complete work up and diagnosis to the IAPM officials in the provided Google form as pdf file (without revealing the identity of the centre in the pdf file), which will then be anonymised and forwarded to the moderator. If there are multiple cases from one centre, they should be uploaded as a single pdf file.
- 2. 10 discussion cases and 10 spotters shall be selected by the moderator. As the slide seminar is mainly based on the morphology, moderator should see that the selected slides are typical of a particular case having relevant morphological features supporting the diagnosis.

- 3. The list of selected cases and spotters shall be sent to the IAPM officials by the moderator
- 4. The centres contributing the selected cases shall be requested to send the slides and blocks to the moderator for finalizing the cases.
- 5. Slides will be digitised and circulated by the moderator with the help of Dr. Rajan without revealing the identity of contributing centre which will be revealed during slide seminar.
- 6. IAPM officials will allot the 10 discussion cases to 10 centres on lot basis for presentation, ensuring that the contributing centre does not get their own case for presentation. If any centre opts out from the presentation, another centre will be allotted on the lot basis. The centres selected for presenting this time will be excluded in the lot list for next chapter meet slide seminar.
- 7. Original slide will also be sent to the presenting centre at least 2 weeks before the IAPM meet
- 8. Case presentation will be the responsibility of the centre presenting and the resident is only a representative of that centre.
- 9. As there is every chance for the resident to be wrong at any point, it may be taken in a sportive manner and the moderator will be helping the resident to arrive at the final diagnosis.
- 10. As the slide seminar is purely a teaching session, there is no role for harassment to the presenter, moderator or any centre and the session may be dealt in a sportive manner by all members
- 11. The concerned resident (preferably final year) from the presenting centre will present the case with the available history and the relevant microscopy images in a PPT and give differentials according to the morphology.
- 12. The moderator shows images of the ancillary investigations done, for the resident to arrive at a final diagnosis. Audience may contribute in relevant cases if time permits
- 13. Prize is decided on the overall performance of the presenter on the stage only and not on the merit of a particular case.
- 14. **Maximum duration of slide seminar- 2hrs 30 mts.** 12 min for each discussion case (max 4-5 min for presentation and the rest for discussion) to be ensured by the moderator.

IAPM officials will intervene if time exceeds in any case.

Please circulate this newsletter among chapter members

For Any queries; please contact the president /secretary/joint secretary of IAPM Kerala Chapter.

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