

Fellowship Training Program in Dermatopathology

FAADV (Clinical Dermatopathology)

Course Prospectus 2011/2012



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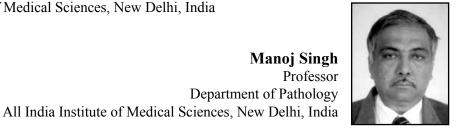


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FAADV (Clinical Dermatopathology) Training Program

1. Introduction

Dermatopathology is an essential component of good clinical practice in dermatology.

There is an urgent need to build up a capacity in dermatopathology for the region in keeping with international development.

Currently, in many countries, dermatopathology work is done by general pathologists, many of whom have no formal exposure to clinical dermatology.

This is a regionally-based CPD training program in dermatopathology undertaken by the Asian Academy of Dermatology and Venereology at the 2nd Asian Dermatology Summit 2010.

2. Program Summary

The FAADV (Clinical Dermatopathology) is a regional/international training fellowship conducted over one academic year and is designed as a AADV Board certified fellowship for subspecialty training for dermatopathology in the Asean/Asian region. Training is integrated and multi-centred to give trainees maximal exposure to the specialty of dermatopathology in the Asean/Asian region.

Eligible candidates must have completed their specialist dermatology/general pathology training and be board eligible or certified by their national specialist credentialing authority.

The training program of one academic year shall cover the following:

- 1. Intensive basic dermatopathology course (Introductory two-day intensive lecture-format, 8 hours per day)
- 2. 3 months (Full-time Resident) at Department of Dermatology, Mackay Memorial Hospital, Taipei, Taiwan
- 3. 1 month each in (any two) other regional training centre (in Asean/Asian region)
- 4. Optional further third out-of home station placement
- 5. Balance of term in training centre of candidate's home country (Full-time in-service training under supervision)
- 6. Mandatory distance-learning modules in conjunction with St. Johns' Institute for Skin Diseases, London, DVGR and accredited regional centres.
- 7. Exemptions from specific sections of the program can be considered for trainees with previous supervised training in dermatopathology. Evidence of previous training and completion of log book will need to be submitted to the Board of Examiners for consideration before trainees are allowed to sit for the exit examination.
- 8. Exit examination and viva to be conducted yearly. Upon passing the exit examination, trainees shall be eligible for the award of FAADV (Clinical Dermatopatology)

3. Program Content

The trainee is expected to attain experience, knowledge and competency in all areas of the core skills and core topics.

Supervision by trainers and mentors and satisfactory completion of training shall be dutifully recorded and certified in the Trainees' Log Book.

Core Skills:

Trainees are expected to:

- Acquire full gamut of clinical dermatopathology work starting with systematic evaluation of skin biopsies, slide reading skills, making dermatopathology diagnoses, reporting and giving evidence-based dermatopathology opinions
- Report full range of dermatopathology slides totaling no less than 1000 for the academic year (under supervision and independently)
- Participate in laboratory procedures, frozen sections, Mohs surgery (optional), special stains and techniques, immunopathology, immunofluorescence, immunohistochemistry and other molecular diagnostic techniques.
- Be competent in clinical pathology presentations, microbiology, mycology, bacteriology, virology and electron microscopy
- Able to effectively communicate with clinicians concerning dermatopathology diagnoses
- Participate in hands-on preparation and submission of cases for distance-learning module
- · Provide service in hands-on work at home station when not on out-of station modules
- Undertake research projects, teaching, publications and local and national presentations will be required
- Submit two written short cases judged to have an CME value (not exceeding 1500 words for each case) on an inflammatory and a tumour case
- Complete mandatory distance-learning dermatopathology modules

Core Topics:

- Introduction to cutaneous inflammatory disorders
- Spongiotic dermatitis
- Intraepidermal bullous disorders
- Subepidermal bullous disorders
- Immunofluorescence tests
- Interface & lichenoid dermatitis
- Psoriasiform dermatitis
- Superficial, superficial & deep dermatitis
- Vasculitis & vasculopathy
- Granulomatous dermatitis
- Nodular & diffuse infiltrate
- Panniculitis
- Cutaneous infection, non-inflammtory disorders, and epidermal tumors
- Bacterial infection
- Mycobacterial infection
- Fungal infection
- Viral infection
- Deposition disorders
- Sclerosing dermatitis, disorders of collagen & elastic fibers

- Alopecia, follicular and eccrine disorders
- Introduction to cutaneous neoplasms
- Keratinocytic tumors
- Benign melanocytic tumors
- Melanoma & simulants
- Cysts and metastasis
- Tumors of the dermal elements (skin appendageal tumors, soft tissue tumors, lymphoma)
- Benign eccrine & apocrine tumors
- Benign follicular & sebaceous tumor
- BCC & Malignant appendageal tumors
- Neural tumors
- Cutaneous manifestations of internal malignancies
- Trainees are expected to be able read at least 5 slides of each dermatological condition listed in the core topics.

4. Participating Institutions and Accredited Regional Training Centre (as per updated FAADV schedule) This list shall be updated from time to time.

5. Exit Examination/Viva

Shall be conducted yearly at Annual AADV meeting

Only candidates who have completed all modules of the program and log books to the satisfaction of the trainers will be allowed to proceed to the examination. Candidates with previous experience and training within their home institutions may apply for exemption from specific sections subject to approval by their trainers. Application for exemption must be accompanied by certified documentary evidence of such training.

Exit examination shall be by way of a written paper (2 hours), CPC-style slide reading assessment (2 hours) and viva. Questions on any aspect of dermatopathology can be expected.

Examination passing criteria and format will decided by Board of Examiners.

Board of Examiners shall be by appointment by the Executive Board of the AADV and will be posted on the AADV website 30 days prior to the date of the examination.

6. Credentialing and Cross-Border Recognition

National Specialist Recognition: This is to be developed and pursued by national dermatological societies in accordance to local criteria/AFAS/MRA

The Fellowship Certificate for the FAADV (Clinical Dermatopathology) shall be awarded by the AADV at a formal conferment ceremony. Participating institutions in the respective countries shall be invited to jointly award a Certificate of Competence in Clinical Dermatopathology together with the AADV to successful candidates.

7. Finances

This training program is a self-help, not-for-profit project undertaken with the support of the Asian Skin Foundation of the AADV.

This shall be donor-based via the Asian Skin Foundation/AADV. Funding from local dermatological societies shall be requested for components of training within their country.

There may be administrative and / or course fees charged by specific training institutions. Candidates are requested to seek information regarding this from the secretariat.

All trainees are expected to be able to finance their program independently. Scholarships and subsidized course fees may be available from door institutions from time to time. Applications for scholarships shall be submitted to the Board for consideration.

8. Recommended References

- 1: Lever's Histopathology of the Skin, 9th Edition, David E. Elder (Author), Rosalie Elenitsas (Editor), Bernett L. Johnson (Editor), George F. Murphy (Editor), Xiaowei Xu (Editor)
- 2: "Requisites in Dermatology; Dermatopathology" Edited by Dirk M Elston & Tammie Ferringer, published by Elsevier.

9. All enquiries and application forms must be submitted to:

AADV Secretariat

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FAADV (Dermatopathology) –Accredited Training Centres -Academic Year 2011/2012

Trainees are required to write to the Secretariat to facilitate their postings in accredited training centers at least three month before the date of their intended posting.

Schedule:

Date:	Module:	Venue:	Enquiries to:
8 th – 9 th October 2011	 "ABCD" Basic Dermatopathology St. Johns' Institute for Skin Disease, London London Dermatopathology Teaching Ltd. Dermatological Society of Malaysia Faculty of Dermatology, College of Physicians, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia AADV 	The Post-Graduate Centre College of Physicians, Academy of Medicine Malaysia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Secretariat: acadmed@po.jaring.my (Ms YM Kong) Trainers: • Professor Alistair Robson • Professor Catherine Stefanato
17 th October 2011 to 16 th January 2012	3 month full-time residential fellowship in Dermatopathology	Department of Dermatology, Mackay Memorial Hospital, Taipei Taiwan	Trainer: Professor Yu-Hung Wu
One month (Dates upon application)	Inflammatory Skin Diseases (One month full-time dermatopathology)	 Division of Dermatology Department of Internal Medicine Faculty of Medicine King Chulalongkorn Memorial, Hospital Bangkok 10330 Thailand Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University 2 Prannok Road, Siriraj, Bangkoknoi, Bangkok 10700 Thailand Pramongkutklao Hospital, 315 Ratchawithi Road, Bangkok, Thailand 	Trainer: Professor Nopadon Noppakun
Six months	General dermatopathology / Clinical dermatology Full time in-station service	Original place of work	Referee of Candidate
Once every two weeks	Distance-learning module	AADV-VGRD St. Johns' Institute for Disease of the Skin, London Department of Dermatology, Mackay Memorial Hospital, Taipei Taiwan Department of Pathology, The Medical Faculty of Hasanuddin University, Makassar	Secretariat: acadmed@po.jaring.my (Ms YM Kong) Dr Henry Foong (Co-ordinator) Dr Roshidah Baba Dr Noor Zalmy Dr Dawn Ambrose Dr Choon Siew Eng Dr Agnes Heng Dr Gong Swee Kim

Date:	Module:	Venue:	Enquiries to:
			Trainers: Professor Alistair Robson Professor Catherine Stefanato Professor Yu-Hung Wu Professor Mahmud Ghaznawie Professor Tetsunori Kimura
Dates upon application	General Dermatopathology / Skin Infections	Department of Pathology, The Medical Faculty of Hasanuddin University, Makassar, INDONESIA	Professor Mahmud Ghaznawie
Dates upon application	General Dermatopathology Duration available: • One month • One to three moths • Three to six months	Dermatopathology and Laboratory Services Deputy Director National Skin Centre Singapore	Professor Tan Suat Hoon
Dates upon application (*February to March 2012)	General Dermatopathology	Department of Dermatology All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi Department of Pathology All India Institute of Medical Sciences,	Professor M Raman Professor Manoj Singh
		New Delhi Delhi Dermatology Group, New Delhi Venkat Charmalaya-Centre for Advanced Dermatology, Vijay Nagar, Bangalore, India	Dr Asha Kubba Dr Venkataram Mysore
Date upon application	Clinical dermatopathology	Department of Dermatology Kuala Lumpur Hospital Malaysia	Dr Noor Zalmy Azizan Dr Dawn Ambrose
8 th - 9 th September 2012	Exit Examination/Viva	The Post-Graduate Centre College of Physicians, Academy of Medicine Malaysia	Secretariat: acadmed@po.jaring.my (Ms YM Kong) Dr Steven KW Chow Dr Gong Siew Kim Dr Noor Zalmy Azizan Dr Dawn Ambrose
8 th to 9 th September 2012	"ABCD" Basic Dermatopathology	The Post-Graduate Centre College of Physicians, Academy of Medicine Malaysia	Secretariat: acadmed@po.jaring.my (Ms YM Kong)

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