

The Arkadi M. Rywlin International Pathology Slide Seminars

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Dear Friends and Members:

Greeting from the AMR Slide Seminar Club. Enclosed please find the new set of cases with their case descriptions. A set of slides will be mailed under separate cover. Comments to the previous cases and the case histories for this submission are on the official AMR web page <http://www.amr-seminar.org>.

The deadline for submission of cases for the next seminar will be **October 1st, 2024**.

The following members are due for submission of cases for the next seminar:

*Volkan Adsay
Abbas Agaimy
Justin Bishop
David Wong
Kum Cooper
Brandon Larsen
Anais Malpica*

*John Gross
Alberto Cavazza
Christopher Hartley
Thomas Mentzel
Luca DeTommaso
Ricardo Lastra
Fredrick Petersson*

*Reza Alaghehbandan
Geral Berry
Ira Bleiweiss
Goran Elmberger
Franco Fedeli
Jesse McKinney*

I wanted to include a brief note regarding the future of the AMR. Over the past several years several of the more senior members have stepped down and left the Club as they take on more administrative responsibilities or retire as their careers come to a close. This includes several longstanding members such as Elvio Silva, Ivan Damjanov, Alberto Marchevsky, Brian Rubin, Carlos Bacchi, Thomas Krausz, Giovanni Falconieri, Janez Lamovec, Dominic Spagnolo, Ofer Ben-Itzhak, Maria Pia Foschini, Paul Wakely, Jr, and others.

At the same time, over the past few years the Club has also welcomed a new generation of several young energetic pathologists who represent the future of our specialty and the future of the AMR. This includes Greg Charville, John Gross, Raul Perret, Ricardo Lastra, Jesse McKinney, Christopher Hartley, Reza Alaghehbandan, Brandon Larsen, Daniel Wong, Tiziana Salviato, Preetha Ramalingam, and others.

I believe it is time we begin to transition the club to the younger generation. Starting with AMR #80, I would like to hand the reigns over to my son, David Suster to begin running the routine operations of the slide sharing component of the club and with the help of the newer members continue with recruitment of additional members into the AMR. I will of course continue to participate in the club and continue to share cases, provide comments, and participate in any meetings that we are able to organize for as long as I am working. I would hope that several of the current mid-career and senior members who still share my same love of pathology will continue to participate if they are able and/or willing. I hope that together we can all continue with the great tradition of exchange of cases and great ideas that we started more than 30 years ago and help it continue into the future.

One additional question that I would like to raise as we move into the future pertains to the routine slide sharing component of the club. I would like the members to consider the possibility of transitioning into a digital component for the routine sharing of cases. Many members have mentioned that in today's environment it has become increasingly burdensome to procure large numbers of glass slides, and some potential members of the club have been

reluctant to participate as they are not able to meet the club criteria such as having glass cover slips at their institutions. Obviously, this would come with the downside of not receiving an actual glass slide of the interesting case that they could add to their collection. But it would alleviate the burden of cutting and shipping glass slides. As we continue to advance in the digital era, it may be time to consider incorporating digital slides in the Club. We plan to create a survey for the club to see what everyone thinks about this, but if anyone has any thoughts regarding this, we would love to hear them - we think it would streamline the slide sharing process and reduce the amount of work for everyone.

I would like to state that it has been my privilege and one of the highlights of my career to coordinate this activity for so many years. I believe I've learned more from the cases circulated in the Club than from the reading of many books. I am eternally grateful for the support, enthusiasm and commitment demonstrated by all the members of the Club over the years and look forward to continuing to participate in its activities. To all, my most sincere gratitude.

With very best wishes and kindest regards,

Saul Suster, M.D.