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ESVP President's corner

Jérôme Abadie

Dear ESVP Members, dear colleagues, dear friends,



It is my pleasure to write you few words as an introduction of the last ESVP Newsletter for 2022.

This year was not an easy one, after the previous we went through during the Covid19 period.

The war in Ukraine and its heavy consequences for Europe are indeed hard times to live, for of course the Ukrainian people first but also the European citizens we are.

But for our community of pathologists, this year was also the one of the comebacks of our Annual Congress as a presential event and the number of attendees and the quality of the program are evident proofs that it was what we collectively wait for and expect. In this difficult and deeply sad period for our continent, coming back to such a face-to-face event was crucial in terms of sociability and human interactions between us. The number of young colleagues, residents and PhD Students attending the Conference, was also a promising feature and a strong encouraging outcome for our community.

I want again to express my deep acknowledgment, shared with all the Board members, for the works and commitment of the Local Organisers and Scientific Committee members, who make the Athens ESVP-ECVP Congress so successful.

We can now project ourselves to the future with our September Meeting back again as our major education initiative. Next year, Lisbon will host us as a joint Congress with our sister society, the European Society of Veterinary Clinical Pathology (ESVCP). I look forward to seeing you all there and thanks in advance the very efficient and motivated local organizers and professional congress organisation team who are actively working on it.

In addition, and as you will read later in this issue, other actions for continuing education will be organized, at the initiative of the ESVP in conjunction to the ones that the ECVP and ESVP also offer to our members. To better fulfill your wishes in this field, the councilor in charge of this question, Pompei Bolfa, will propose to you a short online survey that we will be grateful if you can answer.

We wish indeed that the Society and its actions reflect what you are and expect.

I wish you all in advance safe and happy holidays and better breathing in the New Year.



ESVP Secretary's Corner

Elena Riccardi

It is a pleasure and an honour for me to be the new secretary of the ESVP. I'll do my best in the future to make you proud to have me on board.





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The last meeting in Athens, a face-to-face meeting after the restrictions of Covid-19 pandemic, has been a great success. It has been a joy to meet, hug and chat with friends and colleagues again.



The scientific content of the meeting was of high standard. In Athens, new formats of presentation were introduced, e.g. an open discussion (on the role of veterinary pathologist in academia, industry, and medical research), and an “in tandem” case presentation by a veterinary pathologist and veterinary oncologist: both experiences allowed a great inclusion of all the participants and represented an important opportunity to learn, for residents and specialists as well.

Our pathology community is growing. The board is working hard on new ideas to make the ESVP a big support for pathology and pathologists. Check out the [ESVP website](#) for upcoming live events (in-person and virtual), webinars, and job positions: the website is constantly updated!

I still strongly believe in the democratization of knowledge and in the collaboration among people and different institutions, as I’ve stated two years ago in my presentation when I joined the ESVP board for the first time. “I (still) have a dream”: I would like the ESVP to become a platform to connect specialists, not only through the annual meetings but during the whole year.

The 2023 will be a great year! See you Lisbon, we will see some good ones.

ECVP President’s corner



Andrea Gröne

Dear Colleagues,

It was very good to see so many of you in person in Athens and I hope you made it home safely. In this newsletter I would like to cover some points that may be of interest to you.



The former Constitution of the ECVP was due to a complete overhaul due to legislative changes in the Netherlands where the College is registered. The governance documents were split into Articles of Associations, that will be required by deposition by notarial deed and By-laws, that may be amended after approval of membership only (but do not require a notarial deed). The membership agreed with great majority to these suggested changes. Both can be found on the website of the ECVP, if you are interested.

A standard training programme is the route followed by most residents who intend to sit the ECVP exam. There was already quite a long time an alternative route to accommodate those residents in a situation that did not allow following a standard training programme. This alternative route has been extended with a modular system next to the individual system. Both need to be applied for and approved individually. Another route to the exam is the one of an internationally recognized specialist. Such a specialist could sit the exam without having followed a residency training programme. The requirements for this route can be found on the EBVS website.

The 2023 edition of the Summer School will be 17-28 of July in Cluj-Napoca, Romania. Those of you who





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attended the congress in 2018 will remember this beautiful city and the hospitality of our Romanian colleagues. As usual it will cover various organ systems (gastrointestinal and urinary tract), non-domestic species (reptile, fish, marine mammals) and as a first time for the Summer School New Technologies. There will also be a mock exam for which the same software as in the exam will be used. Registration to the Summer School will be open at some time in spring.

“New technologies” will be also the topic of the Residents’ day (30 of August 2023) directly before the next congress from 31 of August until 2 of September 2023 in Lisbon. Thus, there are plenty of opportunities to get to know those techniques used in modern medical research.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and peaceful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.



ECVP-ESVP – 2022 annual meeting, Athens

Dimitra Psalla

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The Annual ESVP-ECVP Congress was held in summer Athens, Greece, on September 7th-10th 2022, hosted in the pleasant atmosphere of Hyatt hotel.

A rewarding scientific program was presented, for both young and experienced delegates, by distinguished speakers, included sessions to promote networking between speakers and the audience.

Scientific highlights of the Congress included four keynote lectures, eight invited/joint lectures, two workshops on Forensic Pathology and Oncology, oral

research presentations, poster sessions, poster flashes, an interactive slide seminar, an educational session and a presentation on pathologists’



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professional life. Two joint presentations were given in the preconference Resident’s day. Based on the feedback, scientific events were very well received by the participants.

It was a great pleasure for the Local Organizing Committee to welcome old and new colleagues and friends, to strengthen our ties and expand our acquaintances. The most rewarding clue was that the Congress was attended by many young colleagues creating optimism about the future of Veterinary Pathology.

Thank you all for your presence!



ESVP-ECVP-ESVCP-ECVCP – 2023 annual meeting, Lisbon

*Pedro Faísca, Nazaré Cunha,
Conceição Peleteiro*

Dear Friends, Members and Colleagues,

We would like to invite you to the upcoming joint European Congress of Veterinary Pathology and Clinical Pathology ([ESVP/ECVP/ESVCP/ECVCP](#)) which





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is scheduled to be held on 31 August - 2 September 2023 at the Lisbon Convention Center, in the beautiful, historical quarter of Belem, Lisbon, Portugal (www.esvp-ecvp-estp-congress.eu/esvp_ecvp_congress).

Last year congresses, in Greece and Serbia, were the proof that we do need a place to connect to each other. In a world where devices are clearly invading and demanding our time, it feels safe to have a place to gather, a community to share ideas, experiences, languages, viewpoints and mindsets.



The dream of organizing the European Pathology Meeting in Portugal has finally come true. We first applied to host this meeting 5 years ago, and we have been working since then to organize a successful and unforgettable event. It has been a rollercoaster ride, with doubts, hesitations and stressful moments, altogether with joy, enrichment and sense of accomplishment. We hope that this endeavor will be

reflected in the fulfillment that each of you may feel after attending this congress.

It will be the first time that these two Societies and Colleges organize a joint meeting in Portugal, and we are preparing a thrilling, diverse and appealing program that will be of interest to all. With this joint congress we aim to highlight the importance of an integrated approach in deciphering animal pathology, providing the maximal interaction between the two specialties on a program built around state-of-the-art joint sessions, keynote and educational talks, workshops and more.

Lisbon is the mainland Europe's westernmost capital city and the only one along the Atlantic coast. It is one of the oldest cities in the world and the second oldest in Europe. It is an historical city full of history, where the sun shines 290 days a year and the temperature rarely drops below 15C. A city full of authenticity where old customs and ancient history intermix with cultural entertainment and hi-tech innovation. Lisbon is ageless, and famous for its hospitality and family-like way to welcome visitors.

We look forward to welcoming you to Lisbon.



ESVP board members corner

Pompei Bolfa



It is a great honor to join the ESVP board as a councilor. Thank you ESVP for allowing me to bring to the table my diverse background and exposure to both the European and American veterinary





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pathology system to serve the ESVP and contribute to shaping its future.

During the annual meeting in Athens, we discussed with ESVP president Jerome and shared a common vision to expand the continuous education and webinar component that ESVP/ESVP is offering to its members.

As the world around us and the society is changing, so is the way we communicate, learn and gather information. ESVP aims to keep up with the times and reach out to and give a voice to all its members. That might mean that we need to consider a social media presence for a wider outreach, change the number or topics of the webinars and diversify them to align with your needs.



We have already started reaching out to some great speakers for 2023, and here are some topics to be excited for:

- *One Pathology (Clinical pathology-histology correlates)*
- *Clarity of expression in scientific writing*
- *A one health approach to gastric pathology*
- *Successful submissions to pathology journals*

- *Neuropathology*

Dear ESVP members, **we need your help** to be successful and better serve you! Please take 1 minute to respond to a short survey about the society and future webinars by accessing clicking this [link](#) or scanning the QR code on the left.

French Society of Veterinary Pathology (Société Française d'Anatomie Pathologique Vétérinaire)

Laurence Fiette, President, for SFAPV

Stephanie Muller, secretary, for SFAPV

The French Society of Veterinary Pathology (Société Française d'Anatomie Pathologique Vétérinaire) is a French non-profit association ("association loi de 1901"). It was created in 1962 by Professor André-Laurent Parodi (1933-2022), who was its president from 1967 to 2001, with an inexhaustible desire to offer seminars of high scientific quality. It brings together French and French-speaking veterinary pathologists practicing in France and abroad.

The SFAPV currently has about 100 members in a wide variety of fields: diagnostic, teaching, research as well as pharmaceutical industry. The main objective of the SFAPV is the development of knowledge in the field of spontaneous and experimental animal pathology.

The SFAPV is also concerned with promoting the rapprochement between human and veterinary pathology and encouraging research. The SFAPV also wishes to maintain sustained exchanges with international societies, including the ESVP and the ECVP.





The SFAPV organizes an annual continuing education seminar for an audience of veterinary anatomic pathologists. The annual seminar of the SFAPV focuses on current topics and covers its different aspects: spontaneous animal pathology, comparative pathology, experimental models and research paths, therapeutic actualities (please see the list of seminars on our website: <https://www.sfapv.com/les-seminaires/>).



During the annual seminar, the scientific committee usually invites, in addition to French speakers, one or several speakers of international stature. For example, and among others, in 2019, it received Dr Valérie Freiche (EnvA, Paris, France), Pr Simon Priestnall (Royal Veterinary College, London, UK) and Pr Michael D. Willard (Texas A&M University, USA) for a seminar dedicated to gastrointestinal biopsies and clinicopathological correlations.

Earlier this year, our seminar has been held online with Dr. Rob Foster (University of Guelph, Canada), Dr. Melanie Dobromylskyj (Finn Pathologists, Harleston, UK), Dr. Benoit Riedinger and Dr. Franck Floch (AniCura TRIOVet, Rennes, France) about soft tissue tumors.

For 2023, the annual seminar of the SFAPV will be devoted to oral pathology of companion animals. The final program is currently under development and will

be available on our website in early spring 2023.



The SFAPV is also a partner of the Specialised Veterinary Studies Diploma in anatomical pathology. This Diplôme d'études spécialisées vétérinaires d'Anatomie Pathologique Vétérinaire (DESV) is a post-graduate training organized by the 4 French veterinary schools, which prepares to the examination of the diploma of the European College of Veterinary Pathologists (ECVP).

SFAPV is listed into the French quality certification system DataDock. This means that its training courses meet the criteria defined by the French quality decree n°2015-790 and that its training courses are eligible for French professional training and continuing education funding. All these activities are carried out by volunteers.

To become a member of the SFAPV, one must apply by sending a message to the secretary (contact.sfpav@gmail.com) or apply online at <https://www.sfapv.com/decouvrir-la-sfapv/adherer-a-la-sfapv/#adhesion-en-ligne>. One shall be sponsored by two members. The membership fee is 35 € per year.

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