

Structured Pathology Reporting of Cancer Newsletter

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Welcome to the 38th edition of the Structured Pathology Reporting of Cancer newsletter.

This newsletter is intended to provide information on the project to expand and promote the use of structured pathology reporting of cancer.

Seeking your expertise – 1st Edition protocols for open consultation review

In the coming weeks, a suite of Head & Neck Structured Reporting of Cancer Protocols will be posted on the RCPA website for [open consultation](#). These include new 1st Edition protocols for: Nodal excisions, neck dissection and parotid gland basin specimens; Larynx, hypopharynx and trachea; Ear and temporal bone tumours; Carcinomas of the nasal cavity and paranasal sinuses; and Carcinomas of the nasopharynx and oropharynx.

Feedback is appreciated! It helps ensure that our protocols are inclusive, independent and of the highest quality.

<https://www.rcpa.edu.au/Library/Practising-Pathology/Structured-Pathology-Reporting-of-Cancer/Public-consultation>

Protocols in development

Development continues across a variety of protocols, including those for Oral and Odontogenic carcinomas. Updates to the Endometrial protocol are approaching completion and contain a wealth of new information on the latest FIGO (Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics) staging system, and the most recent evidence from the much anticipated ISGyP (International Society of Gynecological Pathologists) publications.

In planning are protocols for Endocrine specimens, Breast carcinomas and DCIS, in addition to a Gastric update. Please [contact us](#) if you wish to be involved in the development of upcoming Structured Reporting of Cancer Protocols.



What is new in Salivary gland pathology?

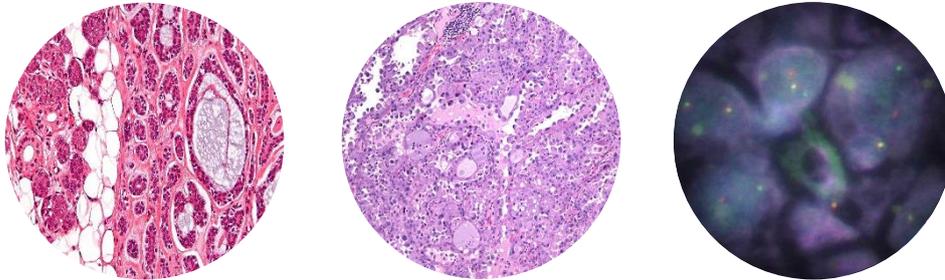
A webinar on the topic of '*What is new in Salivary Gland pathology*' presented by Associate Professor Ruta Gupta took place on Thursday 13th June, 2019 8:00am AEST.

Associate Professor Ruta Gupta is a staff specialist in the Department of Tissue Pathology and Diagnostic Oncology, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital and is the lead pathologist with the Head and Neck Oncology and Thyroid Multidisciplinary team at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse Cancer Centre.

Ruta was appointed head of the RCPA Structured Pathology Reporting Committees for head and neck cancers of the Larynx, Neck node dissection and Ear resection specimen protocols and is also a member of the expert committee for other protocols of the head and neck. In addition, Ruta is also a member of the International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting (ICCR) for head and neck cancers.

If you missed this fascinating session, the live recording is available on the RCPA [website](#), along with other previous popular webinars such as *HER2 testing guidelines for breast cancer*.

<https://www.rcpa.edu.au/Education/Disciplines/Anatomical/SRW>

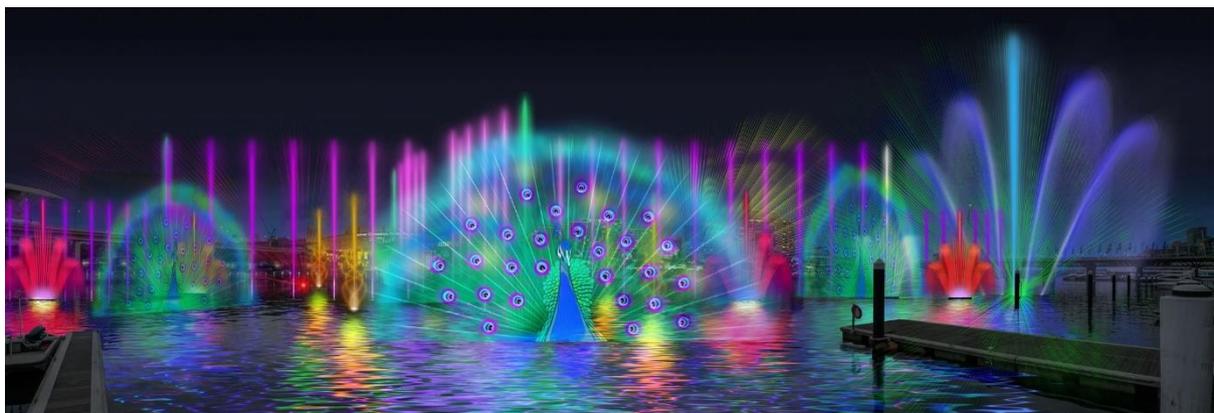


Adenoid cystic carcinoma, Source: [Nephron](#). Mammary analogue secretory carcinoma, Source: [NormanDy/Librepath](#). Break apart FISH, Source: A/Prof Ruta Gupta/Dr Tina Selinger.

43rd Annual scientific meeting of the Australasian IAP

The 43rd annual scientific meeting of the Australasian Division of the International Academy of Pathology took place 31st May-2nd June in Sydney. The meeting was an illuminating educational update coinciding with Sydney's Vivid festival! The update showcased the latest scientific research and clinical issues in pathology. It also provided an enjoyable opportunity for networking, sharing of ideas and the dissemination of learning across the spectrum of histopathology subject areas.

Congratulations to Associate Professor Wendy Cooper who was presented the Vincent McGovern Memorial Award for her immense contribution to the field.



Vivid Sydney. Source: [Roderick Eime/Destination NSW](#).

ICCR progress

The International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting (ICCR) continues to make significant progress in dataset development and is currently coordinating the development of datasets corresponding to the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) / World Health Organization (WHO) 5th Series of tumour classification 'blue books'.

New ICCR datasets are well underway including those for Endocrine, Skin, Gastrointestinal tract, Breast and Gynae specimens.



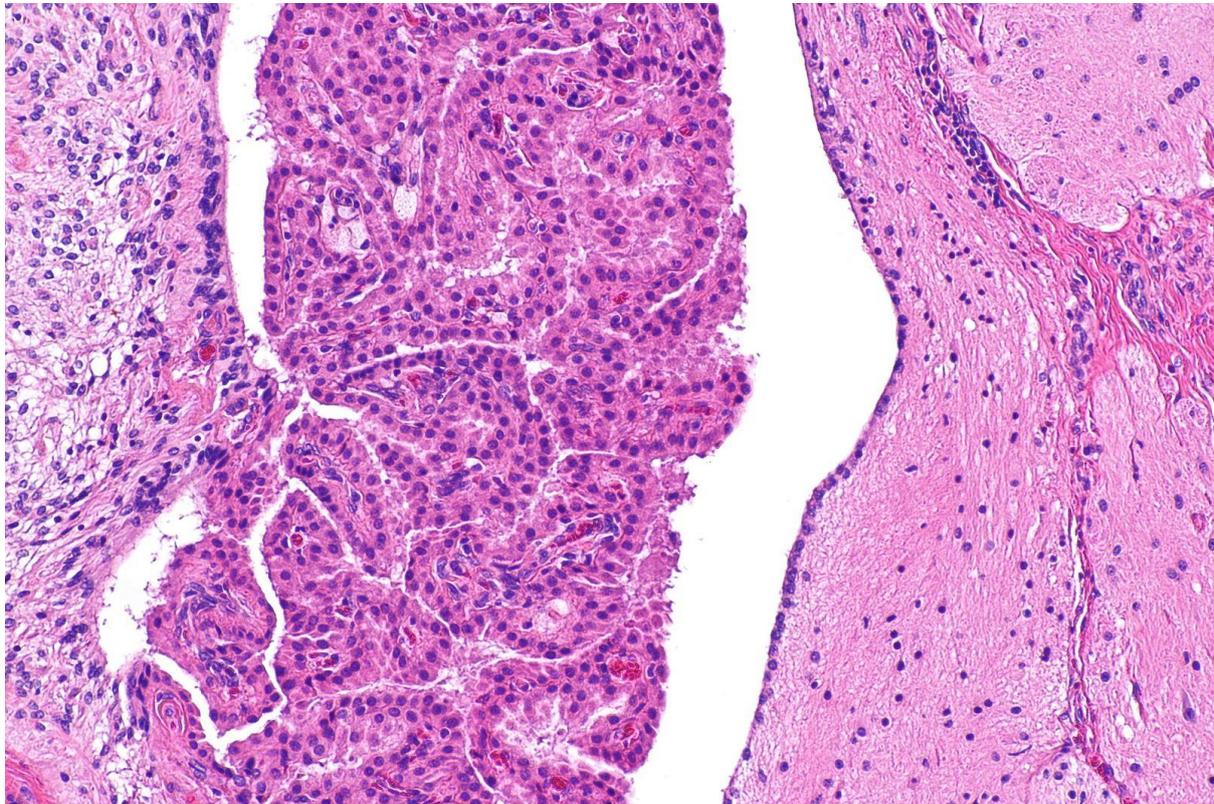
Recent peer reviewed scientific publications

Recent Structured Reporting of Pathology peer reviewed scientific publications:

- [Dataset for reporting of carcinoma of the urethra \(in urethrectomy specimens\): recommendations from the International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting \(ICCR\)](#). Shanks et al. *Histopathology*. 2019 Apr
 - [Synoptic reporting increases quality of upper gastrointestinal cancer pathology reports](#). Baranov et al. *Virchows Arch*. 2019 May
 - [Dataset for the reporting of prostate carcinoma in radical prostatectomy specimens: updated recommendations from the International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting](#). Kench et al. *Virchows Arch*. 2019 May
 - [Improvement of Care in Patients With Colorectal Cancer: Influence of the Introduction of Standardized Structured Reporting for Pathology](#). Sluijter et al. *JCO Clin Cancer Inform*. 2019 May
 - [ASCO/CAP 2018 breast cancer HER2 testing guidelines: summary of pertinent recommendations for practice in Australia](#). Farshid et al. *Pathology*. 2019 Jun
 - [Data set for the Reporting of Carcinoma of the Renal Pelvis and Ureter-Nephroureterectomy and Ureterectomy Specimens: Recommendations From the International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting \(ICCR\)](#). Samaratunga et al. *Am J Surg Pathol*. 2019 Jun
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Do you have an interesting case image?

[Send in](#) your interesting case image to the SPRC newsletter - entertain or educate your peers!



Choroid plexus and mature neural tissue in a mature ovarian teratoma, H&E. Source: [Nephron](#).

On the shoulders of giants...

This SPRC Project is evolving and looking to the future. Our continual improvement relies on building upon the work of leaders in the field. Please share your ideas on how to improve Structured Pathology Reporting of Cancer resources by contacting:

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