The Department of Pathology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center offers a one year ACGME accredited Oncologic Surgical Pathology Fellowship with 17 positions available annually. All fellows should have completed residency training in anatomic pathology and be certified or eligible for certification by the American Board of Pathology or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. We also consider exceptional applicants with equivalent foreign training who obtain requisite documents.

The fellowship covers all subspecialties of anatomic pathology with targeted exposure to neoplastic diseases in those fields. Fellows rotate through the following subspecialties: Breast, Bone & Soft Tissue, Dermatopathology, Gastrointestinal, Genitourinary, Gynecologic, Head & Neck, Neuropathology and Thoracic Pathology. There are also dedicated frozen section and grossing rotations, as well as significant elective time for fellows to pursue research interests or gain additional exposure to other fields in pathology. The fellows are responsible for all in house surgical material and submitted consultation cases. MSK offers exposure to a broad range of complex, challenging cases at high volume and fellows learn from dedicated experts and leaders in their respective fields. Significant emphasis is placed not only on the histomorphology of tumors, but also on understanding the clinical implications of pathologic diagnoses, an essential component to becoming an excellent physician and pathologist.

For more information visit: https://www.mskcc.org/departments/pathology

Number of Positions
17

Length of Program
One year (start date July 1st)

How to Apply
Online only (apply at least 22 months prior to planned start date)
Early applications are strongly encouraged
https://www.mskcc.org/departments/pathology/fellowships

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Goals and Objectives

• Gain experience in the diagnosis of neoplastic diseases in anatomic pathology
• Develop an understanding of special techniques for pathologic characterization of various neoplastic diseases
• Develop an understanding of the clinical features and outcomes of various pathologic diseases, including diagnostic evaluation, treatment algorithms, tumor staging parameters and prognostic indices
• Participate in and appreciate the multidisciplinary team approach for the treatment of cancer patients
• Develop and enhance communications skills with clinicians and ancillary medical staff in the care of cancer patients
• Become proficient at handling high volume, complex, common, rare and challenging cases
• Develop knowledge and skills for independent sign out

Responsibilities

The surgical pathology fellows will review slides and prepare reports for all in house and submitted consultation cases, with increasing autonomy as the fellowship progresses. Responsibilities also include supervision of pathologist assistants, rotating visitors, and participation in intradepartmental teaching conferences and journal club presentations. The fellows will attend various consensus conferences for each subspecialty as well as participate in tissue procurement and review of archival pathology cases for both research and clinical purposes. Participation in research is encouraged with the goal of abstract presentation and manuscript submission to peer-reviewed scientific journals.

Rotations

Breast Pathology 6 weeks
Bone & Soft Tissue Pathology 3 weeks
Dermatopathology 3 weeks
Gastrointestinal Pathology 6 weeks
Genitourinary Pathology 6 weeks
Gynecologic Pathology 6 weeks
Head & Neck/Neuropathology 3 weeks
Thoracic Pathology 3 weeks
Frozen section 3 weeks
Grossing 3 weeks
Elective/Autopsy 6 weeks
Vacation 3 weeks

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