

Pathology Core Curriculum (PCC)

We began the Pathology Core Curriculum with the Gastrointestinal Tract (GIT) block, covering seven organs over approximately 10 weeks (see schedule below). For the two-year cycle, we post all reading assignments and scheduled learning sessions/RPs in Microsoft Outlook. Since all faculty and trainees have UK Outlook accounts, the schedule provides clear and timely alerts regarding concurrent opportunities for elaborative interrogation of the PCC topics while residents rotate through AP and CP divisions.

For example, during the neuropathology block, a microbiologist can discuss infectious causes of encephalitis and review diagnostic progress on a real-time patient in greater detail with the resident concurrently rotating on Microbiology. We consider this integration of the formal PCC with simultaneous rotations to be *360-degree learning*, which also includes residents educating other physicians and one another.

Gastrointestinal Tract Block – Sample Schedule

| Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| July 29 – Aug 2 | | AP Unknown Slide Conference – Richards | Blue Unknown Slide Conference | CP: Intestinal Helminths – Ribes | Gross/Call Review Conference |
| Aug 5 – Aug 9 | Non- Neoplastic Intestine – Lee | AP Unknown Slide Conference – Neltner | AP Colon – Lee | Journal Club | Gross/Call Review Conference |
| Aug 12 – Aug 16 | AP Colon Polyps & Carcinoma – Lee | AP Unknown Slide Conference | CP: Bacterial Diarrhea – V. Arora | Rapid Fire Review – McDonald | Department Inservice / Billing |
| Aug 19 – Aug 23 | CP Viral Hepatitis – McCoy | Lab Safety Training – Hampton | GI AP Retrieval Practice 1 – Bocklage | CP Unknowns Conference – McCoy | Gross / Follow-Up |
| Aug 26 – Aug 30 | AP Esophagus and Stomach – Lee | AP Unknown Slide Conference | AP Small Intestine – Lee | CP Viral Gastroenteritis – McCoy | Surg Path Gross Conference |

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| Sept 2 – Sept 6 | Holiday | AP Unknown Slide Conference - Lee | | Rapid Fire Review – McDonald | Gross/Call Review Conference |
| Sept 9 – Sept 13 | AP Liver Biopsy Interpretation - Lee | AP Unknown Slide Conference - Neltner | AP Colon Conference – Richards | Journal Club | Gross/Call Review Conference |
| Sept 16 – Sept 20 | CP Enzymes – Schuller | AP Unknown Slide Conference - Lee | AP Liver Biopsy Interpretation 2 – Lee | CP Liver Chemistry – Yu | Gross/Call Review Conference |
| Sept 23 – Sept 27 | AP Pancreatic Tumors – Lee | AP Unknown Slide Conference - McDonald | CP GI Chemistry – Woodworth | CP Unknowns - McCoy | Surg Path Gross Conference |
| Sept 30 – Oct 4 | All GI Chapters Reading / Finish | AP Unknown Slide Conference - Lee | GI AP Retrieval Practice 3 – Bocklage | CP Lynch/MMR Testing – Lutz | Gross/Call Review Conference |

Note: Session types are labeled in text rather than color to ensure accessibility for screen readers and grayscale printing.