

DERMATOPATHOLOGY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goals

- To be able to describe and diagnose most cutaneous diseases microscopically
- To recognize personal limitations with regard to diagnosis and the value of consultation

First Year Residents (PGY-2)

- Know normal histology of the skin including electron microscopy
- Are able to describe findings on histology slides in an organized and intelligible fashion
- Can identify basic pathologic patterns seen in most common inflammatory and neoplastic dermatologic conditions
- Show evidence of reading at a textbook level

Second Year Residents (PGY-3)

- Are able to diagnose most common and many uncommon dermatologic conditions; can generate a differential diagnosis based on pattern
- Know special stains and immunohistochemistry techniques
- Understand grossing procedures
- Are able to discuss most diseases at a textbook presentation knowledge level

Third Year Residents (PGY-4)

- Can diagnose most cases and generate a differential diagnosis
- Are aware of controversies in diagnostic dermatopathology and of information not yet in textbooks
- Show evidence of extensive reading and critical thinking of material in textbooks and journals
- Participate in teaching medical students and other residents in learning dermatopathology
- Participate in the laboratory sessions in Dermatopathology given to the second year medical students in their pathology course

All Years

- Attend biopsy reviews and teaching conferences in dermatopathology
- Obtain passing grade on the annual resident in-training examination