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Welcome to the twenty fourth 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.



Season's Greetings

Wishing you all the very best for this holiday season and a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!

UK mandate structured reporting of cancer

As with our RCPA cancer protocols, the Royal College of Pathologists UK (RCPath) cancer datasets are comprised of mandatory and optional elements. Like ours, the mandatory data items (Core elements) are robust, evidence-based data items that are required for cancer staging, management and prognosis.

In 2011, provision of these core pathology cancer elements was deemed an essential component of good practice and therefore adopted as a Professional Standard: at least 90% of reports on resections of cancers for which RCPath has a dataset must include all core data items.

From 1 January 2016, the UK are taking this to the next level by mandating the submission of pathology data elements in an electronic, structured format (XML) to the National Cancer Registration Service as part of the Cancer Outcomes and Services Dataset (COSD). The pathology data collected in COSD will include discrete data items based on the RCPATH datasets.

“This is exactly where we would like to be in Australia, sending electronic structured data to the cancer registries”, said A/Prof David Ellis. “It is something we are working towards”.

The UK Trusts are in the process of working with their Laboratory information system suppliers to ensure they have the appropriate capability in place. Representatives from the UK college noted that they expect some challenges, particularly in the first year or so, but they anticipated that the value in the longer term will be well worth it.

Prostate webinar – April 16

You are invited to a webinar to be held on **26th April 2016 at 4pm AEST**.

This webinar will be presented by Prof James Kench and is titled:

“Structured reporting, Prostate cancer and the end of Gleason grading”

The presentation will include information regarding the upcoming changes to the WHO classification of genitourinary tumours to be published in 2016, the recent International Society of Urological Pathology (ISUP) consensus conference on testicular tumours and the series of 12 ICCR Genitourinary datasets due for release in 2016.

To register for the session please click on the link below:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2983881414844106753>

Enter your name and email address then click ‘Register’.

By registering for the event you will be sent a reminder beforehand and a link to join the call at the appropriate time.

The session will be recorded and made available on the RCPA website.

ICCR progress



Datasets

Public consultation for the following ICCR datasets is now complete:

- Mesothelioma in the pleura and peritoneum (biopsy and resection specimens)
- Thymic epithelial tumours (resection specimens of the thymus ie thymoma, neuroendocrine tumours of the thymus and thymic carcinoma but excluding germ cell tumours and other primary thymic neoplasms)
- Neoplasms of the heart, peritoneum and great vessels (biopsy and resection specimens. Includes primary tumours of the heart, pericardium and great vessels, both benign and malignant entities, but excludes haematolymphoid neoplasms and mesothelioma)

Our local expert committees provided detailed feedback on the draft datasets which will form the foundation of local Australasian structured reporting protocols on these topics in 2016.

Twelve datasets covering Genitourinary cancers are progressing very well and undergoing final review prior to being posted for a period of open consultation. Open consultation is planned for January 2016, and at that time RCPA fellows will be invited to comment on the draft datasets. The ICCR Datasets are based on the new World Health Organization (WHO) classification of tumours, which is not yet published, and the latest information from the International Society of Urological Pathology (ISUP).

Strategic partnerships

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC) has recently been signed. EORTC develop, conduct, coordinate, and initiate translational and clinical research in Europe to improve the management of cancer. Common, internationally agreed-upon and harmonised histological reporting for cancer is especially important for multicentre site, international and inter-trial comparability in clinical research and also contributes to more robust data and a more meaningful exchange of information.

Brain teaser

Here's something to relax with over the holidays.....

Eight married couples meet to lend one another some books. Husbands and wives have the same surname, the same employment and one car. Each couple has a favourite colour. Furthermore we know the following facts:

1. Daniella Black and her husband work as Shop-Assistants.

2. The book "The Seadog" was brought by a couple who drive a Fiat and love the colour red.
3. Owen and his wife Victoria like the colour brown.
4. Stan Horricks and his wife Hannah like the colour white.
5. Jenny Smith and her husband work as Warehouse Managers and they drive a Wartburg.
6. Monica and her husband Alexander borrowed the book "Grandfather Joseph".
7. Mathew and his wife like the colour pink and brought the book "Mulatka Gabriela".
8. Irene and her husband Oto work as Accountants.
9. The book "We Were Five" was borrowed by a couple driving a Trabant.
10. The Cermaks are both Ticket-Collectors who brought the book "Shed Stoot".
11. Mr and Mrs Kuril are both Doctors who borrowed the book "Slovacko Judge".
12. Paul and his wife like the colour green.
13. Veronica Dvorak and her husband like the colour blue.
14. Rick and his wife brought the book "Slovacko Judge" and they drive a Ziguli.
15. One couple brought the book "Dame Commissar" and borrowed the book "Mulatka Gabriela".
16. The couple who drive a Dacia, love the colour violet.
17. The couple who work as Teachers borrowed the book "Dame Commissar".
18. The couple who work as Agriculturalists drive a Moskvic.
19. Pamela and her husband drive a Renault and brought the book "Grandfather Joseph".
20. Pamela and her husband borrowed the book that Mr and Mrs Zajac brought.
21. Robert and his wife like the colour yellow and borrowed the book "The Modern Comedy".
22. Mr and Mrs Swain work as Shoppers.
23. "The Modern Comedy" was brought by a couple driving a Skoda.

Can you work out the full names of each couple, their favourite colour, their occupation, the car they drive and which book they brought and which they borrowed?

Good luck!

(To find out the answer, email Meagan at MeaganJ@RCPA.EDU.AU).

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