Cytopathology Fellowship

A National Cancer Institute-Designated Comprehensive Cancer Center
Blue Distinction Center for Complex and Rare Cancers
An ANCC Magnet® Designated Hospital
Roswell Park Cancer Institute (RPCI) offers an ACGME-accredited one-year fellowship in Cytology beginning each July.

RPCI, founded in 1898, is the oldest NCI-funded Comprehensive Cancer Center. The environment is fast-paced, dynamic, collegial and exciting! The Cytology fellowship provides training in the performance, interpretation and triage of cytologic specimens with routine techniques. Many specimens will require advanced techniques in cytogentic and molecular testing for diagnosis. There is ample opportunity to gain additional expertise in diagnostic molecular pathology, FISH, ISH and solid tumor cytogenetics.

The fellow is an integral part of patient-centered care at RPCI. Participation in interdisciplinary conferences, while serving an educational purpose, also allows the fellow to experience firsthand the quality patient care. Participation in a scientific project(s) is required, with results to be submitted for presentation at a national pathology conference and for publication in a cytology specific scientific peer-reviewed journal. This broad approach supports RPCI’s mission to understand, prevent and cure cancer.

RPCI also offers a one-year ACGME training program in Oncologic Surgical Pathology for those fellows who wish to enhance their diagnostic skills. A separate application to the Surgical Pathology program before or after the Cytology fellowship commences is required.

Requirements
Because of the complex nature of the diseases encountered at RPCI, only residents who have completed their training in an ACGME-accredited Program in either a three-year AP or four-year AP/CP Program by the Fellowship start date will be considered. A fellow who has passed the American Board of Pathology in AP or AP/CP before starting the fellowship in Cytology is highly desirable. In addition, candidates must be eligible for a New York State Medical License or Limited Permit.

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• YEAR 1 - One position (ACGME-accredited)

Facilities
The campus spans 29 acres in downtown Buffalo and consists of 15 buildings with about 1.2 million square feet of space. The hospital houses a comprehensive diagnostic and treatment center. In addition, the Institute’s medical research complex built in conjunction with the State University at Buffalo, has renovated existing education and research space to support RPCI’s growth and the expansion of the Buffalo Niagara Medical Complex.

Community
Buffalo has four wonderful seasons and a vibrant intellectual and cultural life. It is a treasure to discover and is an exceptional place to live work, and raise a family. Buffalo is an area of geographic beauty offering temperate summers for boating, camping, bicycling, sports, amusement and water parks, and other activities. During the winter, one can ice skate, ski, snowmobile, snowshoe, or just take a walk. Unlike some cities, traffic is hardly an issue. The average commute time is just 20 minutes. Nearby “getaways” include Niagara Falls, Toronto, Pittsburgh and Cleveland.

Stipends
Stipends are commensurate with postgraduate year of training.

Applications
A personal statement, CV, RPCI Fellowship application form, and three Letters of reference should be sent to:
Lourdes R. Ylagan, MD, FIAC
Fellowship Director
c/o Christine Hegarty
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Roswell Park Cancer Institute
Elm & Carlton Streets
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Interviews begin approximately 16 months prior your fellowship start date; however, exceptional candidates may be interviewed sooner.