The Evidence-based Pathology Training Initiative (EVI-Pat)

Project summary: The project proposes to develop and evaluate a mainly digital course for pathologists and experts of the field of oncology with a special focus on overcoming reluctance to the application of evidence-based medicine principles to cancer related pathology practice and aid in the promotion of an evidence-based pathology movement. The results obtained by the Evi-Pat project on the training needs and habits of pathologists and oncologists will in addition inform future decisions of the WCT.

Justification

Evidence-based medicine methods are not routinely used in the field of pathology and reliable evidence synthesis is scarce. The levels of evidence produced in the majority of pathology research are moderate to low, and there is a need to develop and train pathologists in the performance of evidence synthesis and critical appraisal of evidence in the field.

Vision

Promote evidence-based pathology practice and increase the set of high-profile evidence that is published in the field, specifically systematic reviews by implementing a digital course.

Goal

To develop a worldwide available, mainly internet-based adapted EBM training course for the field of cancer, specifically considering pathology practice.

Target audience

Pathologists, oncologists, epidemiologists, and any other researcher, stakeholder or actor in the field.

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