



Combined Renal and Solid Organ Transplant Fellowship

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The Combined Renal and Solid Organ Transplant Fellowship is a Texas Medical Board-approved program offered by the Department of Pathology at UT Southwestern Medical Center. It is a one-year fellowship with comprehensive training in native kidney and solid organ (renal, liver, heart, lung, and pancreas) transplant pathology.

Program Overview

The fellow will receive in-depth exposure to all aspects of evaluation, including light, immunofluorescence, and electron microscopies. Adult and pediatric specimens are well represented. The fellow is given graduated responsibility for handling cases and will become proficient in interpreting immunofluorescence microscopy, electron microscopy, and all typical and immunohistochemical light microscopic stains used in renal and solid organ transplant pathology.

The fellow is expected to participate in independent and collaborative research, including the initiation and completion of at least one research project during the course of the year. The expectation is that the research findings will be submitted and presented to a national scientific meeting, and will be submitted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. Protected time is provided to perform work related to research activities and manuscript preparation.

In addition, the fellow will participate in renal pathology and transplant conferences and the education of residents and clinical fellows.

Availability: July 2016 and July 2017

Length of Program: One year

Program Structure

The Combined Renal and Solid Organ Transplant Fellowship is structured to provide all needed core training over a one-year period and to ensure proficiency in practice in native kidney and solid organ transplant pathology (histology, immunohistochemistry, electron microscopy, and molecular diagnostics where appropriate).

As clinical competence is gained, the fellow assumes responsibility for performing light, immunofluorescence, and electron microscopic evaluations and interpretations of renal and solid organ transplant biopsies, as well as communicating biopsy diagnoses with clinicians and preparing biopsy reports.

The clinical responsibilities the fellow assumes during the year of training include:

- *Opportunity for sign-out of in-house native kidney and solid organ transplant pathology cases with appropriate faculty supervision)*
- *Review of all consult cases*
- *Presentation and participation in renal pathology and solid organ transplant conferences*
- *Participation in research project(s)*
- *To learn to use information technology to manage information and conduct personal continuing education.*
- *To facilitate the learning of students, residents, colleagues, and other healthcare-related professionals.*

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