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# SLAC

Latin American Society of Cytopathology Congress

and Tutorial of the International Academy of Cytology (IAC)

**April 20 to 23, 2027**

# PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

XXXIII Latin American Society of Cytopathology Congress and International Academy of Cytology (IAC) Tutorial

## Day 1 — Tuesday, April 20, 2027

| Time | Topic / Activity | Society | Speaker / Responsible |
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| **07:00–08:00** | Registration and distribution of materials | SLAC & SBC | Event Secretariat |
| **08:00 - 08:15** | Opening of the XXXIII SLAC scientific program | SLAC & SBC | Dr. Graziela Matsushita, Dr. Milagros Abad, and Dr. Bruno Dornelas |
| **08:15 - 08:20** | Opening and introduction of the ASC session | ASC | Dra. Frida Rosenblum, MD |
| **08:20 - 08:40** | Ocular Cytopathology: When Intraocular Lesions Mimic One Another | ASC | Dra. Diva Salomao, MD |
| **08:40 - 09:00** | Lymph Nodes | ASC | To be confirmed |
| **09:00 - 09:20** | Body Fluid Cytology | ASC | Dra. Frida Rosenblum, MD |
| **09:20 - 09:40** | Molecular Cytopathology: When Molecular Findings Clarify—or Complicate—the Diagnosis | ASC | Dra. Maryam Shahi, MD |
| **09:40 - 10:00** | Interactive Case Discussion and Q&A | ASC | All ASC speakers |
| **10:00 -10:40** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **10:40- 11:40** | Sponsored Satellite Symposium — to be confirmed | Sponsor | Invited speaker |
| **11:40- 11:50** | Presentation of the Best Scientific Paper — Day 1 | Scientific Committee | Award-winning paper author |

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| **11:50 - 12:00** | Presentation of the Best Scientific Paper — Day 2 | Scientific Committee | Award-winning paper author |
| **12:10- 12:20** | Presentation of the Best Scientific Paper — Day 3 | Scientific Committee | Award-winning paper author |
| **12:30–14:00** | LUNCH BREAK — no mandatory scientific activities or symposiums | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **14:00 - 14:05** | Opening and introduction of the PSC session | PSC | Dra. Esther Diana Rossi |
| **14:05 - 14:25** | Thyroid: Cytomorphology as a Guide and the Judicious Use of Ancillary Tests | PSC | Dra. Esther Diana Rossi |
| **14:25 - 14: 45** | Lung: Morphological Triage and Rational Use of Molecular Testing | PSC | Dr. Momin Siddiqui |
| **14:45 - 15:05** | Lymph Nodes: Morphological Approach and Differential Diagnosis in FNA | PSC | Dra. Imma Cozzolino |
| **15:05 - 15:25** | Head and Neck: Diagnostic Pitfalls in Cytopathology | PSC | Dr. Zubair Baloch |
| **15:25 - 15:45** | Breast: Cytological Criteria and Appropriate Use of Immunocytochemistry | PSC | Dr. Jamal Musayev |
| **15:45 - 16:00** | PSC Session Discussion and Q&A | PSC | All speakers |
| **16:00 - 16:40** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **16:40–17:40** | Latin America Shares | SLAC & SBC | Representatives of the societies |
| **17:40–18:40** | OFFICIAL CONGRESS OPENING CEREMONY | SLAC & SBC | Presidents, boards of directors, and guests |
| **19:00 - 21:00** | SOCIAL PROGRAM AT THE HOTEL | — | — |

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## Day 2 — Wednesday, April 21, 2027

| Time | Topic / Activity | Society | Speaker / Responsible |
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| **08:00–08:10** | Opening and introduction of the SIAPEC session | SIAPEC | Dr. Giancarlo Troncone & Dr. Giacomo Gazzano |
| **08:10–08:30** | Urine Cytology: Ancillary Techniques in Diagnostic Pitfalls | SIAPEC | Dr. Giacomo Gazzano |
| **08:30–08:50** | Lung Cytology: Molecular Testing Integration on Small Samples | SIAPEC | Dr. Giancarlo Troncone |
| **08:50–09:10** | Salivary Cytology: Diagnostic Challenges and Biomarkers | SIAPEC | Dra. Esther Diana Rossi |
| **09:10–09:30** | Lymph Node Cytology: Immunocytochemistry and Molecular Support | SIAPEC | Dra. Imma Cozzolino |
| **09:30–09:50** | Thyroid Cytology: Molecular Triage and Cytomorphology | SIAPEC | Dr. Guido Fadda |
| **09:50–10:00** | SIAPEC Discussion and Q&A | SIAPEC | All speakers |
| **10:00–10:40** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **10:40 -10:50** | Introduction to the SEC Session: Cytology 360° | SEC | SEC moderator |
| **10:50-11:10** | Cytopathology in the Era of Molecular Triage: The SEC Experience with QPap | SEC | Dr. Antonio Martínez Lorente |
| **11:10–11:30** | Beyond Cervicovaginal Cytopathology: New Quality Initiatives | SEC | Dra. Carme Dinarès Fernández |
| **11:30–11:50** | AI in Cytopathology: What Will Really Change? | SEC | Dra. Lara Pijuan Andujar |
| **11:50–12:10** | Live Interactive QPap Workshop | SEC | Carme Dinarès / Lara Pijuan / Antonio Martínez |
| **12:10–12:30** | SEC Discussion and Q&A | SEC | Session speakers |
| **12:30–14:00** | LUNCH BREAK — no mandatory scientific activities or symposiums | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **14:00–14:10** | Introduction to the European Session | EFCS | Dra. Cioly Rivero Colmenarez |
| **14:10–14:30** | Thyroid | EFCS | Dra. Cioly Rivero Colmenarez |
| **14:30–14:50** | Breast | EFCS | Dr. Maurizio Pinamonti (Italy) |
| **14:50–15:10** | Cervical Cytology | EFCS | Dr. Danijela Vrdoljak-Mozetić (Croatia) |
| **15:10–15:30** | Pancreas | EFCS | Dr. Miguel Perez Machado (UK) |
| **15:30–16:10** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **16:10- 17:10** | Sponsored Satellite Symposium — to be confirmed | Sponsor | Invited speaker |

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| **17:10 - 18:10** | ROUND TABLE: CYTO-EVOLUTION — Redefining the Learning Curve in the Era of Digital Cytopathology and Artificial Intelligence: Perspectives from Scientific Societies | SLAC | — |
| **18:10–19:00** | SLAC EXECUTIVE GENERAL ASSEMBLY | SLAC | SLAC members |
| **19:00 - 21:00** | SOCIAL PROGRAM AT THE HOTEL | — | — |

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## Day 3 — Thursday, April 22, 2027

| Time | Topic / Activity | Society | Speaker / Responsible |
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| **08:00–08:10** | Introduction to the AMCP Session: Training in Cytology | AMCP | AMCP Board of Directors |
| **08:10–08:30** | Between the Microscope and Creativity: Art in Cytopathology and Its Role in Education | AMCP | Dr. Gabriel E. Díaz Juárez |
| **08:30–08:50** | Current State of Cytology Education in Latin America | AMCP | Dr. Ángel Fomperoza Torres |
| **08:50–09:10** | The Role of Scientific Societies in Continuing Education in Cytopathology | AMCP | Dr. Raúl Julián Ortiz Bautista |
| **09:10–09:30** | General Discussion and Closing of the AMCP Session | AMCP | AMCP speakers |
| **09:30- 09:40** | Presentation of the Best Scientific Paper of the Day | Scientific Committee | Award-winning paper author |
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| **10:00 -10:40** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **10:40- 10:50** | Introduction to the SAC Session: Cytopathology and Its Commitment to Health | SAC | SAC Board of Directors |
| **10:50–11:10** | The Value of Fine-Needle Aspiration (FNA) in the Follow-Up of Benign Thyroid Nodules | SAC | Dra. Ana Jaén |
| **11:10–11:30** | EBUS: Keys to Obtaining High-Quality Samples | SAC | Dr. Alejandro Iotti |
| **11:30–11:50** | The Role of Nongynecological Cytopathology in a Public General Hospital | SAC | Dra. Analía Filippini |
| **11:50–12:10** | The Use of Cytopathology in the Care of People Living with HIV | SAC | Dra. Mariana Tejo |
| **12:10- 12:30** | Interactive Discussion and Audience Questions | SAC | Session speakers |
| **12:30–14:00** | LUNCH BREAK — no mandatory scientific activities or symposiums | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **14:00 - 14:05** | Forum — HPV Screening: What Is the New Role of Cytopathology? | SBC | Moderator: Dr. Letícia Katz |
| **14:05 - 14:25** | Liquid-Based Cytomorphology: Morphological Differences and Interpretive Biases in HPV-Positive Cases | SBC | Dra. Graziela Matsushita |
| **14:25 - 14:45** | Screening Program — Country 1 | SBC | To be confirmed |
| **14:45 - 15:05** | Screening Program — Country 2 | SBC | To be confirmed |
| **15:05 - 15:25** | Screening Program — Country 3 | SBC | To be confirmed |
| **15:25–15:45** | Screening Program — Country 4 | SBC | To be confirmed |

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| **15:45–16:25** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **16:25–17:25** | Round Table — Cervical Cancer Screening | SLAC & SBC | Representatives of the societies |
| **17:25–18:25** | SBC GENERAL ASSEMBLY | SBC | Members and Board of Directors |
| **19:00 - 21:00** | FREE EVENING — OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE FLORIANÓPOLIS | — | — |

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## Day 4 — Friday, April 23, 2027 — IAC Tutorial

| Time | Topic / Activity | Society | Speaker / Responsible |
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| **08:30 – 08:40** | Introduction and Official Opening of the IAC Tutorial | IAC | Dr. Syed Z. Ali and Dr. Philippe Vielh |
| **08:40 – 09:10** | Thyroid: Diagnostic Challenges in Nocturnal Diagnoses | IAC | Dr. Syed Z. Ali |
| **09:10 – 09:40** | Salivary Glands: Diagnostic Pitfalls and Classification | IAC | Dra. Esther Diana Rossi |
| **09:40 – 10:00** | Discussion and Q&A — Session 1 | IAC | Dr. Syed Z. Ali and Dr. Esther Diana Rossi |
| **10:00 – 10:40** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **10:40 – 11:10** | Lung I: Challenging Lesions in Everyday Diagnosis | IAC | Dr. Fernando Lozano |
| **11:10 – 11:40** | Pancreas: Pancreatobiliary Cytopathology and Cystic Lesions | IAC | Dr. Syed Z. Ali |
| **11:40 – 12:10** | Lung II: Complex Cases and Application of Markers | IAC | Dr. Peter Illei |
| **12:10 – 12:30** | Discussion and Q&A — Session 2 | IAC | Session speakers |
| **12:30 - 14:00** | LUNCH BREAK — no mandatory scientific activities or symposiums | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **14:00 - 14:10** | IAC — Leading the Way Forward | IAC | Dr. Syed Z. Ali |
| **14:10 – 14:40** | Breast: Cytopathological Pitfalls in Needle Biopsies | IAC | Dr. Philippe Vielh |
| **14:40 – 15:10** | Serous Fluids: Differential Diagnosis in Neoplastic Effusions | IAC | Dr. Ashish Chandra |
| **15:10 – 15:40** | Gynecological Cytopathology: Challenging Cases in Cervical Cytology | IAC | Dra. Patricia Russell |
| **15:40 – 16:00** | Final Tutorial Q&A Session | IAC | All IAC Tutorial speakers |
| **16:00 – 16:40** | COFFEE BREAK | Organizing Committee | All participants |
| **16:40 – 17:00** | OFFICIAL CLOSING CEREMONY AND AWARDS | SLAC & SBC | Organizing Committee and Awards |

# PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

## Day 5 — Saturday, April 24, 2027 — IAC Examination

| Time | Topic / Activity | Society | Speaker / Responsible |
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| **08:30 - 12:30** | IAC INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION IN CYTOPATHOLOGY | IAC | Official IAC Examination Board |