

Slide Requirements

Pathology Slides Brought to AIRP Course

Types of pathological slides accepted: Virtual microscopy* or pathology glass slide/s that adequately represent the participant's case diagnosis are required for all cases.

Residents must bring a signed copy of the pathologist's Verification/Consent Form (Case Data Entry page) with your slides to the course. YOU WILL NEED TO HAVE THE FORM SIGNED AND PREPARED WITH THE PATHOLOGIC SLIDE/S BEFORE YOU TRAVEL TO THE AIRP COURSE.

- The specimen ID# on your slides MUST MATCH the specimen ID# you entered for the pathology report(s) online or they will not be accepted.
- ONLY THE SPECIMEN ID# can appear on the slides - NO names, hospitals, or patient identifying information can appear on the slides.
- Virtual microscopy must be scanned at 40x magnification – it can be brought to the course on disc or flash drive.
- Residents are expected to submit a minimum of one slide (no more than 5 slides) that confirms the case diagnosis. A sufficient number of slides that show the spectrum of the diagnosis.
- AIRP will not accept unstained slides or paraffin blocks.
- The pathologist may assign an arbitrary specimen ID# to the slides and pathology report.

***What is Virtual Microscopy?** A virtual slide is a high resolution scan of a glass slide with specimen, which can be navigated and viewed with various magnifications on a computer. See an example of actual virtual microscopy slides: [The University of Michigan Medical School](#)

Slides collection schedule: Slides will not be collected on the first day of the course. Please check the [AIRP case submission](#) web page for scheduling.

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: The Verification/Consent form (Case Data Entry page) states the purpose and intended use of the pathologic material. AIRP recommends packing the slides in your checked baggage, and presenting the Verification/Consent form if necessary. Please wrap the glass slides safely in your baggage to prevent damage by the airline.

All residents are required to bring slides for each case submitted. Residents may request a slides waiver from the section chief if the pathology is unavailable. If a waiver for pathologic material is granted, the email from the AIRP section head should be uploaded with the pathology report. Digital histologic images in .jpg format (taken through the microscope) are still required for each case submission.

Please contact the AIRP case archivist with question regarding the above.
airpcasepackagehelp@acr.org or 703-390-9872 ET.