

PROGRAM

Wednesday, September 23

09:00 – 09:45		<i>Arrival and registration, Coffee</i>	
09:45 – 10:00	15	Welcome	RR
10:00 – 11:00	60	IHC principles: The technical test approach – pre-analytical phase	TJ
11:00 – 11:10	10	Discussion and summary of lectures	
11:10 – 11:25	15	Coffee	
11:25 – 12:25	60	IHC principles: The technical test approach - analytical phase	TJ
12:30 – 12:45	15	Discussion and summary of lectures	
12:45 – 13:30	45	Lunch	
13:30 – 14:30	60	IHC Principles: Post-Analytical Quality Assessment	KBA
14:30 – 14:45	15	Discussion and summary of lectures	
14:45 – 15:00	15	Coffee	
15:00 – 15:45	45	The Evolving IHC Landscape: Markers Come, Markers Go, Panels Remain	KBA
15:45 – 16:10	25	Discussion and summary of lectures	
16.30 – 18.00		<i>Social arrangement 'Mingle with your colleagues' (optional)</i>	

Thursday, September 24

08:30 – 09:00	30	The unknown primary tumour: IHC for diagnostic use, part I	RR
09:00 – 09:45	45	The unknown primary tumour: IHC for diagnostic use, part II	RR
09:45 – 10:00	15	Discussion	
10:00 – 10:20	20	Coffee	
10:20 – 10:50	30	NordiQC data: Tips and tricks - protocols and controls	TJ
10:50 – 11:35	45	Breast cancer: IHC for diagnostic use	AVL
11:35 – 11:50	15	Discussion	
11:50 – 12:05	15	NordiQC data: Tips and tricks - protocols and controls	HLK
12:05 – 12:50	45	Lunch	
12:50 – 13:35	45	Lung cancer: IHC for diagnostic use	HH
13:35 – 13:50	15	Discussion	
13:50 – 14:10	20	NordiQC data: Tips and tricks - protocols and controls	HLK
14:10 – 14:30	20	Coffee	
14:30 – 15:20	50	Validation and verification process for IHC – what, why and how?	DVH
15:20 – 15:45	25	Open questions and discussions of IHC topics	
18:00 –		<i>Seminar dinner – Restaurant Fusion (optional)</i>	

Friday, September 25

08:30 – 09:15	45	Immunocytochemistry – overview, considerations and applications	ISK
09:20 – 10:00	40	IHC in the time of molecular era – Predictive, diagnostic and prognostic markers	HH
10:00 – 10:30	30	Coffee	
10:30 – 11:15	45	Multiplex staining – overview, considerations and applications	GSH
11:15 – 12:00	45	Old tests – New challenges	KBA
12:00 – 12:30	30	Discussion and evaluation	
12:30 –		<i>Lunch to-go - departure</i>	

Aim of course: To give an update on basic and advanced immunohistochemical (IHC) methods applied in diagnostic pathology, particularly for the classification of the unknown primary tumour as well as breast, lung and hematolymphoid tumours. The seminar will particularly focus on

- the impact of internal and external quality control
- understanding the technical test approach for IHC
- planning and diagnostic use of antibody panels
- optimization of staining protocols
- use of tissue controls
- identification and handling of technical and diagnostic pitfalls
- requirements for validation and verification of IHC
- multiplexing
- immunocytochemistry

Teachers: MD PhD Rasmus Røge, MD Med.Sc.D. Anne-Vibeke Lænkholm (AVL), MD PhD Henrik Hager, BMS Donald van Hecke (DVH), BMS PhD Irena Srebotnik Kirbiš (ISK), MD Kristi Bøgh Anderson (KBA), BMS Heidi Kristoffersen (HLK), BMS Gry Sahl Hansen (GSH) and BMS Tanya Julio (TJ)

Methods: The seminar will consist of lectures and interactive sessions.

Participants: The target group comprises biomedical technicians and scientists or equivalent with some experience in immunohistochemistry, and residents and consultants in clinical and surgical pathology with special interest in the technical parts of immunohistochemistry.

Maximum number of participants: 60

Venue: '1.03 Flyveren', Aalborg Congress and Culture Centre (AKKC), Europa Plads 4, 9000 Aalborg. See [map](#)

Accommodation: Individual booking. There are several hotels in walking distance of the seminar venue:

[Scandic Aalborg City](#)

[Comwell Hvide Hus Aalborg](#)

[Hotel Gestus](#)

[Phoenix Hotel Aalborg](#)

Travel: Aalborg can be reached by car, train and plane. The seminar venue is within walking distance from the railway station (~5 min.). From the airport, the venue can be reached by taxi in about 15 min. For train timetable, see www.dsb.dk For flight timetables, see www.sas.dk, www.norwegian.dk and www.klm.com.

Language: English.

Fee: DKK 5,500.00 . The fee includes all meals indicated in the program. Travel and accommodation is not included. Cancellation policy will apply as follows:

Before April 30 2026: Full refund less administrative costs of DKK 300.

May 1 2026 and later: No refunds can be made. However, the place can be handed over to a colleague from your laboratory without additional costs. Please specify the name of the participant.

Number of course hours: 16