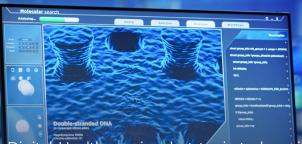




DIGITAL PATHOLOGY



Digital Healthcare is a hot topic today with much advances in every field and Pathology is no different from the rest of the fields. Data science is creating a huge impact in all fields including pathology. Digital Pathology, a new and promising aspect of Pathology, focuses on data generation, data management and utilisation of this data for development of algorithms that would aid in diagnosis. The input is based on information generated from digitized glass slides, also called Whole-Slide Images (WSI). The field of digital pathology is growing and has applications in diagnostic pathology. Adaption of Digital Pathology leads to achieving precise diagnoses, prognosis, and prediction of diseases. Digital Pathology is creating huge job opportunities for pathologists and data scientists in AIML field

These applications are being further developed by applying AI (Artificial Intelligence), ML(Machine Learning) and IOT (Internet of Things) technologies, a field named 'Computational Pathology'. The market for digital pathology is growing all the time. The global market was valued at \$767.6 million in 2019 and is expected to grow rapidly, at a CAGR of 11.8% between now and 2027 (https://www.news-medical.net/life-sciences/Benefits-of-Digital-Pathology.aspx)

Pathologists traditionally view glass slides under a microscope to make a diagnosis based on cellular and architectural details. The glass slides are limited by easy loss, breakage and involves logistics when have to be shared. However, when slides are digitized and WSIs are created, they can be shared through a network access and can be applied for computer algorithms. These Algorithms provide an objective evidence of a diagnosis such as measuring depth of invasion, differentiating micrometastasis and macrometastasis, counting mitoses, classifying the tumor grades etc. This has the potential to reduce human error and improve accuracy of diagnoses. Digital slides can be easily shared, increasing the potential for data usage in biomarker research with education as well as in consultations between expert pathologists.

The many advantages of adopting Digital Pathology technology are:

- Digitize workflows with improved efficiency
- Practice of Precision Medicine
- Accurate diagnosis and staging- 'First time right diagnosis'
- Better patient outcomes
- National and International Collaboration for expert opinions
 - Reduce Turn around time and logistics
- Base for AIML algorithms
 - Unsupervised learning
- Base for Radio-Genomics
- Reduces long-term costs
- Reduction in errors
- Unify patient data

Further, creating vast amounts of 'unlocked' data, pathologists can view it within the context of other images, results and clinical information. The long-term benefits of a curated digital pathology image repository range from enabling improved clinical diagnostics to aiding in the development of future predictive analytics – ultimately helping to further personalize and improve patient care.

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Learning Objectives

The objective of the course is to completely familiarize the learner with all aspects of Digital Pathology, including workflows, equipment, protocols, regulations, and software.

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Learning Outcomes

After completing the course, the Participant can confidently embark on projects relating digitizing pathology laboratories and lead Digital and computational Pathology initiatives.

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Learning Methodologies

- · Online Lectures (pre-recorded and live)
- · Online Live Interactive Sessions
- Learning Materials to be made available through Learning
 Management System (includes PPTs, Notes, Further Reading, Videos etc.)



Course Contents

Module 1: An Introduction to the evolution of Digital Pathology

Module 2: Basics of the Technology

Module 3: Use Cases for Digital Pathology

Module 4: Selecting and Implementing a Digital Pathology Solution

Module 5: Workflow software

Module 6: Workflow Considerations & Best Practice Standards

Module 7: Image Analysis and introduction to Computational Pathology

Module 8: Data Management

Module 9: Regulatory Requirements & Validations

Module 10: Concluding Session

Module 11: Concept of Digitization in Hematology

Module 12: Used cases and Haematology workflow

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Course Duration

12 Sessions of 1 HR each (all online)



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