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Dear members,

The Transplant Working Group of the AECVP seeks your help in recruiting colleagues interested in lung transplant pathology to a project being undertaken by the Pathology Council of the International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation, which is actively working on all the pathology challenges in thoracic transplantation. This activity interfaces with transplantation immunologists and clinicians. In the past the guidelines for the diagnosis of cellular rejection on cardiac and then lung biopsies have been published and updated. Recently the antibody-mediated cardiac rejection has been assessed: recommendations have been published and updates are coming.

The Pathology Council is a small interactive group usually working by using wide exchanges of pathology experiences from several groups, reaching now surveys based on digitalized slides. European pathologists are important stakeholders in this council.

I and the transplantation group of AECVP, Annalisa Angelini and Margaret Burke, would like to encourage the AECVP members engaged in diagnosis of rejection on thoracic biopsies to join the activity of the Pathology Council of ISHLT. For that, 2012 membership is mandatory.

Why do we draw your attention to the Pathology Council of ISHLT?

A multicentre survey on antibody-mediated in lung transplantation, based on digitalized transbronchial biopsies from transplanted lungs, is scheduled in 2012 and the results would be presented in a premeeting workshop at the forthcoming ISHLT meeting in April 1013 in Montreal. We encourage European pathologists to participate in this survey and share their own (small or large experience) in a domain where the pathological markers remain to be discovered. Thank you to advertise this information among our lung pathologist colleagues.

Second, the **Pathology Council is looking for its elect-chair (2014)**. European candidacy is welcome and can be notified to me.

Best regards.

Patrick Bruneval