



## Winners of 2023 CAPA GoPath Best Abstract Award

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Dear CAPA members,

We are pleased to announce the winners of 2023 CAPA GoPath Best Abstract Award competition. Please join us in congratulating the 6 winners for their excellent academic work!

Rank	Name	Training	Training institution	Title of abstract
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Huang, Yuan	Fellow	University of Washington	cfDNA is Significantly Associated with Microvascular Inflammation in Kidney Transplant Biopsy: A Retrospective Observational Study
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Chen, Fei	Fellow	NYU Langone Health	Genomic Profiling of Metastatic Tumors in Pleural Effusion Specimens: Comparison of Fresh Supernatant, Fresh Cell Pellet and Cell Block Material for Testing
	Liu, Xiaoqin	PGY3	University of Rochester Medical Center	Immunohistochemical and Molecular Characterization of Anorectal Poorly Differentiated Neuroendocrine Carcinomas: A Series of 16 Cases
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Yu, Sanhong	Fellow	Brigham and Women's Hospital	Large cell calcifying Sertoli cell tumors: Molecular correlates of aggressive behavior
	Jiao, Jingjing	PGY2	Yale-New Haven Hospital	Post-Infantile Giant Cell Hepatitis - What Determines a Poor Outcome?
	Yan, Mingfei	PGY4	Case Western Reserve University	CD47, "Do Not Eat Me" Signal, is Expressed in a Subset of Follicular Lymphomas (FL) and is Associated with Diffuse Large B Cell Lymphoma (DLBCL) Progression.

This year, we received 29 qualified abstracts from 21 pathologists-in-training for the competition. Winners were selected after a careful review of all qualified abstracts by 13 members of the award committee. Each member reviewed abstracts independently. Blind review was performed by removing author names and institution names from all abstracts to ensure fair and unbiased evaluation. In addition, committee members did not score abstracts they coauthored to avoid conflict of interest. The committee member who organized the abstracts (and hence knew author and institutional information) did not participate in initial evaluation but was asked to evaluate two abstracts to break a score-tie.

Each abstract was scored based on its quality including originality of ideas, novelty of method, significance, and clinical relevance on a scale from 1 to 10, where 1 is the lowest and 10 the highest. The average score was calculated for each abstract. This year the competition was very tight; the winning scores ranged from 7.31 to 7.77 with a difference of 0.46 between the first place and third place.

We would like to thank all applicants for their participation.

Our deepest appreciation goes towards Dr. Jim Lu, the founder of GoPath for his generosity and strong support!

**Abstract Review and Selection Committee:**

**Chair:** Changqing Ma, Washington University

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