



Paleopathology Club - Newsletter No. 164

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Dear Members:

The 48th Scientific Session of the Paleopathology Club was held, Sunday, March 23, 2025, from 2:00 PM-3:30 PM during the:

114th Annual Meeting of
The United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology
March 22-27, 2025
Boston MA, USA

Program

Paleopathology Club
Sunday, March 23, 2025
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Moderators: Pedro L. Fernández
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Topic: “Paleopathology of South American Mummies”

2:00-2:45 “Environmental Paleopathology of the Lung”
Jerrold L. Abraham, MD, SUNY Upstate Medical University,
Syracuse, NY, USA.

2:45-3:30 “Paleopathology of the Male Genital System”
Miguel Rufail, MD, PhD, Virginia Commonwealth University Health System,
Richmond, Virginia, USA.

Next Meeting

115th Annual Meeting of
The United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology
March 21-26, 2026
San Antonio, TX, USA

If you would like to do a presentation, In-Person, at the next Meeting, please send us the title and your affiliation to this email address: Sadia.Sayeed@vcuhealth.org

Answer to Case # 149:

History: Histological section of mummified intracranial material from an individual of the Mediterranean Bronze Age showing reticular tissue.

How do you interpret the structure on the left of this mummified brain tissue?

Diagnosis: Reticular tissue with a round space consistent with nervous tissue containing a vascular and perivascular space on the left. HE, x 200.

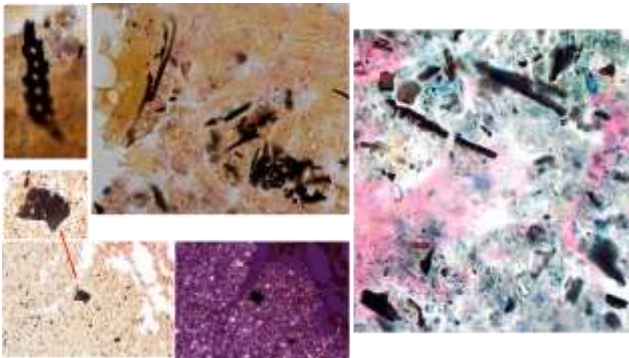
Submitted by: Pedro L. Fernández, MD, PhD., Hospital Germans Trias i Pujol, Universidad Autonoma de Barcelona, Department of Pathology, Barcelona, SPAIN.

The answer to Case #149 can be viewed and printed at:
<https://pathology.vcu.edu/research/paleopathology/case-studies/>

New Case 150:

History: This is a montage of some of the unusual particles found in the tissue sections of the lungs of mummies from the Azapa Valley. (~ 1100 BC to 1000 AD). What are they? What might they signify?

Submitted by: Jerrold L. Abraham, MD, SUNY Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, USA.



For a larger image of the slide of Case 150, please click the link below:
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Notice!

If you have an interesting slide you would like to share with other members, please send it along with the history.



We published an “Atlas” of Paleopathology, which is a synopsis of 40 years of investigation in South American Mummies. This publication is available at CAP Press. Northfield, IL, 60093, phone: 800-323-4040 option 1, and is directed mainly at those interested in Archeology, Anthropology, History of Medicine, Forensic Pathology and Pathology.

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