

PROGRAMME

Friday, May 15th

08:30 – 10:00		<i>Arrival and registration, coffee</i>	
10:00 – 10:15	15	Welcome – Introduction	
10:15 – 11:00	45	IHC principles: The technical test approach – pre-analytical phase	TJ
11:00 – 11:15	15	Discussion and reflections	All
11:15 – 12:00	45	IHC principles: The technical test approach - analytical phase	TJ
12:00 – 12:15	15	Discussion and reflections	All
12:15 – 13:15	60	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:15 – 14:00	45	IHC principles: The technical test approach – Tissue toolbox for controls	KBA
14:15 – 14:30	15	Discussion and reflections	All
14:30 – 15:15	45	Introduction to NordiQC and the working principles	KBA
15:15 – 15:35	20	<i>Coffee</i>	
15:35 – 16:20	45	Open forum – IHC discussion and questions	All
16:20 – 16:30	10	Conclusions	

Saturday, May 16th

09:00 – 09:30		Arrival, coffee	
09:00 – 09:30	30	IHC stainers – overview, pros and cons	TJ
09:30 – 10:00	30	Old tests – New challenges	KBA
10:00 – 10:15	15	Discussion and reflections	All
10:15 – 10:30	15	<i>Coffee</i>	
10:30 – 11:10	40	IHC in the time of molecular era – Predictive, diagnostic and prognostic markers	KBA
11:10 – 11:20	10	Discussion and reflections	All
11:20 – 12:00	40	NordiQC data and recommendations for best practice IHC assays: CUP, Lung and Breast	TJ
12:00 – 12:15	10	Discussion and reflections	All
12:10 – 13:10	60	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:10 – 14:00	50	The Challenges in ER Quality Control	CT
14:00 – 14:50	50	Mismatch Repair IHC: Keeping Quality In Control	CT
14:50 – 15:10	20	<i>Coffee</i>	
15:10 – 16:00	50	Round Table Discussion – Future IHC Meeting	KP
16:00		Conclusions and Departure	KP

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 and lung. The workshop will particularly focus on

- the impact of internal and external quality control
- understanding the technical test approach for IHC
- identification and handling of technical and diagnostic pitfalls
- optimization of staining protocols
- planning and diagnostic use of antibody panels
- use of tissue controls
- application of IHC in the era of molecular testing

Teachers: MD Kristi Bøgh Anderson; BMS Tanya Julio; MSc Colin Tristam.

Methods: The workshop 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.

Language: English.

Date: 15th and 16th of May 2026

Venues: Pullman Hotel, [Corner Waterloo Quadrant, & Princes Street Auckland 1010](#)

Length of Course: 2 days

Accommodations: An discount code for Pullman will be issued at a later date after the 31st of January 2026.

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