

Courses in Gynaecological Cytology

Exam Practice for the IBMS Advanced Specialist Diploma in Cervical Cytology

Course Ref: GY-ASDPREP-2026

Date: TBC

Venue: MS Teams

Further information and application forms for any of our courses are available from our Administration Team:

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Course Overview:

This course has two main aims. First, increasing the awareness of the range of cytological cases that can be encountered in real life and in the exam, with the aim of helping candidates become more familiar with good basic cytology and the management of complex cases. A good understanding of the national guidelines is required. In a remote forum, live microscopy or PowerPoint images will be used. Candidates will be expected to bring their own cases in addition to any presented by the team.

The second aim is to help candidates to develop an understanding of what is required for the written component.

Tutors:

Claire Geary

Consultant Biomedical Scientist
HSL, London

Peter Heptinstall

Consultant BMS,
Manchester Royal Infirmary
Training Centre Manager, NEPSEC

These sessions can be used as evidence for CPD.

Cost: This course is **free** at the point of delivery, but candidates must book onto each session in advance using the application form. Once booked onto a session, there will be a £15 admin fee for non-attendance.

Course Venue:

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Programme

Session	Date	Activity	Speakers
1	Thursday 12 th February (1100- 1200)	Cases: Review and discussion [Setting of practice question]	C Geary P Heptinstall
2	Tuesday 24 th February (1100- 1200)	Review of question with discussion of model answers.	C Geary P Heptinstall
3	Thursday 12 th March (1100- 1200)	Cases: Review and discussion [Setting of practice question]	C Geary P Heptinstall
4	Tuesday 24 th March (1100- 1200)	Review of question with discussion of model answers.	C Geary P Heptinstall
5	Thursday 9 th April (1100- 1200)	Cases: Review and discussion [Setting of practice question]	C Geary P Heptinstall
6	Thursday 23 rd April (1100- 1200)	Review of question with discussion of model answers.	C Geary P Heptinstall