Cockerell Dermatopathology, located in the heart of the Dallas Medical District, is North Texas’ newest physician-owned dermatopathology laboratory. Founded by Dr. Clay J. Cockerell, former president of the American Academy of Dermatology and internationally recognized dermatologist and dermatopathologist, Cockerell Dermatopathology offers diagnostic excellence and unparalleled service in the evaluation of dermatologic disorders ranging from the routine to the most difficult cases. To best service our current and future referring physicians, Dr. Cockerell invested for the future by upgrading every facet of the practice. This includes advanced automation within the laboratory, which will decrease the potential for human errors, produce higher quality slides to read and improve turnaround time on routine cases. Significant upgrades were also made to the laboratory information system, which will allow us to quickly deploy order and results interfaces and improve the ability to produce diagnostic reporting that is often required by state cancer registrars. From an educational standpoint, the reading room houses a 13-headed microscope for hands-on training and the lecture-style conference room will be used to host educational events.

CLAY J. COCKERELL, MD

CURRENT POSITIONS
Cockerell Dermatopathology, Founder & Medical Director
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Clinical Professor of Dermatology and Pathology
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Director, Division of Dermatopathology

FORMER OFFICER POSITIONS
American Academy of Dermatology, President, 2005-2006
American Academy of Dermatology, Secretary-Treasurer
Texas Dermatological Society, President
Dallas Dermatological Society, President
International Society of Dermatopathology, Vice President

BOARD CERTIFICATIONS
Dermatology, Dermatopathology

FELLOWSHIP
Dermatopathology
New York University Medical Center, New York, NY

RESIDENCY
Dermatology
New York University Medical Center, New York, NY

MEDICAL SCHOOL
Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX

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CONSULTATIVE SERVICES

Dr. Cockerell provides expert diagnostic and therapeutic opinions related to dermatopathology and dermatology. His expertise includes rendering of diagnoses in difficult cases as well as confirmation of diagnoses where the original opinion may be uncertain. While many of our opinions relate to melanocytic neoplasia, we evaluate specimens taken from the entire spectrum of disorders of the skin, hair, nails and mucous membranes. Our reports, typically delivered within 48 hours, are designed to provide you with the most accurate diagnosis possible and therapeutic opinions are provided upon request.

In order to provide a consultative opinion, we request the following:

- Completed requisition including pertinent summary of clinical findings
- Glass slides to be evaluated
- In cases that may require additional studies, submission of paraffin block(s) or multiple unstained histologic sections mounted on slides is recommended. For direct immunofluorescence studies, tissue must be submitted in Michel’s transport medium.
- For cases in which clinical photographs can aid in the diagnosis, it is recommended that they be included or sent via email.
- Please contact us for any special requests in advance of the submission.

If you interpret your own slides, Dr. Cockerell can assist you and your practice in many ways. If there is a particular disorder or group of conditions that you do not feel comfortable diagnosing, such as melanocytic lesions, you can submit these specimens for processing and interpretation or for professional interpretation only. Dr. Cockerell can also provide professional support during the high specimen volume months of the year. Contact us to discuss the best support options for your practice.

ANCILLARY SERVICES

- Professional interpretation
- Slide preparation
- Digital pathology via Aperio platform
- Comprehensive menu of special and immunohistochemistry stains
- Direct immunofluorescence studies
- Mycology
- Access to molecular testing
- Quality control and proficiency testing
- Histology staff training and tips
- CME and MOC credits via annual Vail conference

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- Health plan contracting and consulting
- Sales and marketing support
- Bad debt collections
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

LAB ROTATIONS
In addition to being a world-class dermatopathology laboratory, Cockerell Dermatopathology is an educational institution that is open to individuals who want to sharpen their dermatopathology skills. Our facility includes a conference room to host educational courses and a 13-headed microscope with high-definition monitors for live case review and discussions.

BOARD PREP COURSES
The dermatopathologists of Cockerell Dermatopathology host an annual review course to assist dermatology and pathology residents in preparing for their board exam. The timed portion of the review course mimics the board format, then each case is discussed in detail covering helpful diagnostic tips.

SYMPOSIUMS & SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS
Cockerell Dermatopathology gives back to the dermatologic specialties by being actively involved in local and national society meetings through lecturing, hosting hands-on workshops and exhibiting. Visit our website to view upcoming events, current lecture and scientific meeting schedule.

DERMAPATH LIVE
Telepathology sessions allow you to view cases over the Internet and have a diagnostic dialog with the presenting dermatopathologist. This is a highly interactive educational course, so come prepared to provide your diagnostic insight.

HISTORY

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