Hematopathology

Objective
There are three goals for the HP elective: 1. By the end of the rotation, students will provide a basic differential diagnosis for common hematological presentations including anemia, other cytopenias, and coagulopathy. Students will demonstrate very basic morphological skills, e.g. in the interpretation of very straightforward peripheral blood smears. 2. Students will develop an understanding of the role of the hematopathologist in clinical care, and the students will be aware of how they (as clinicians) may best use the lab to help provide clinical care for their patients. 3. Students who are interested in a career in HP or in another pathology discipline will have the opportunity to learn first hand how the pathologist provides clinical care and what a hematopathologist does.

Description
While in Hematopathology (HP), students will participate in all aspects of HP practice including the diagnosis of blood smears and bone marrow specimens, special coagulation testing, transfusion medicine, and complex hematological testing including flow cytometry. Students will be supervised by residents and staff hematopathologists. Students will participate in site-specific academic activities including Divisional Rounds, and attend academic half days in HP. Rotation located at either VGH, BCCH or SPH.