

**Post Match Reporting
2020-2022 Match Cohort Data**

**Specialty: Pathology
Number of Survey Respondents = 4
2020(0%), 2021(75%), 2022(25%)**

<u>Match year</u>	<u>Match cohort</u>	<u>% total cohort</u>
2020	1	0.6%
2021	3	1.8%
2022	4	2.8%

	<u>Mean</u>	<u>St Dev</u>
Step 1	229.75	11.99

Post Match Survey Responses

Did you review the list of programs to which you applied with a Specialty Advisor?

Yes 3
No 1

Before ranking programs, did you review your rank list with a Specialty Advisor?

Yes 3
No 1

If not a Specialty Advisor, with whom did you review your rank list?

Faculty 2
Family 2
Outside mentor(s) 1
Residents/Fellows 1

Other: Please describe

Pathology Student Interest Group and Pathology Department Faculty

Were you advised to do an away rotation by a specialty advisor?

Yes 1
No 3

Who was your most effective career advisor for your specialty? (number of multiple mentions)

Dr. Raga Ramachandra 3
Dr. Ron Balassanian 3
Dr. Marta Margeta

Confidential adviser

If you were to do anything differently in the residency application process, what would that be?

- I would have liked to do an away rotation for the experience of another program's culture and to build meaningful comparisons and insight to focus the kinds of programs/geographic locations to choose for applications. - Schedule favorite programs in the middle of the interview schedule = you'll be comfortable and familiar with the interview process and still fresh enough to enjoy it. - Discuss with your advisors how many interviews you should accept. Hopefully there will be better guides soon for how many virtual interviews yield the same outcomes as in-person interviews. - Have a plant in the background for all of the zoom interviews.

Apply to less programs.

Outside of COVID I would have preferred to do 1 away rotation and apply to slightly fewer programs. I would have not applied to any research-track programs and stuck to categorical AP/CP Pathology.

Please provide any other information that might be helpful to UCSF students who will apply to your specialty choice in the future

- Amazing specialty full of genuinely nice individuals. Interview season is a positive experience, everyone is kind to you and is excited that you found pathology! - Since the field is fairly small, interviews are an interesting way to meet your future colleagues. If you already know what kind(s) of pathology appeal to you most, you may be able to get paired with interviewers with similar interests. - It seemed ok not to go to the second look events. Sometimes they turn into what feels like another full interview day, so either be prepared or opt out. I would, however, always attend any resident event like the resident dinner/zoom the night before an interview - there's a lot of important information to learn from them.

Recommend applying to only 10

Pathology is not a competitive specialty. You should remember you are a valued commodity and will likely match at a top choice. Therefore, ordering your list is crucially important. I would lean heavily on Ron and discuss your lists with current residents esp those who were UCSF med students. If you are a research person, you may be pressured to apply into a research track and you may want to make up your mind about this before starting interviews.