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I attended the virtual IAP-ESP meeting in December 2020. For me, the highlights were the Computational Pathology symposium and the breast pathology sessions. I was given the opportunity to present in the Computational Pathology symposium. As a resident with interest in both breast pathology and computational pathology, during the last years I had to choose between the two sessions since they always overlapped. The benefit of the virtual meeting was that I could attend the Computational Pathology symposium and look at the recordings of the breast sessions at a later moment. Also, there was a lower threshold to attend other sessions. However, I missed the personal contact with colleagues from other countries. Considering presenting my work, I missed the direct interaction with the audience.