# IHE Profile Proposal Anatomic Pathology Opinion Request (APOR)

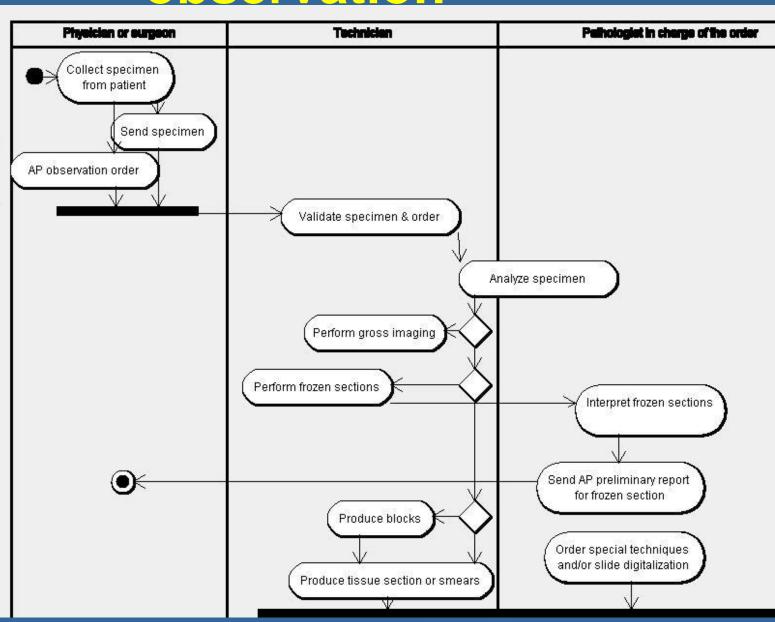
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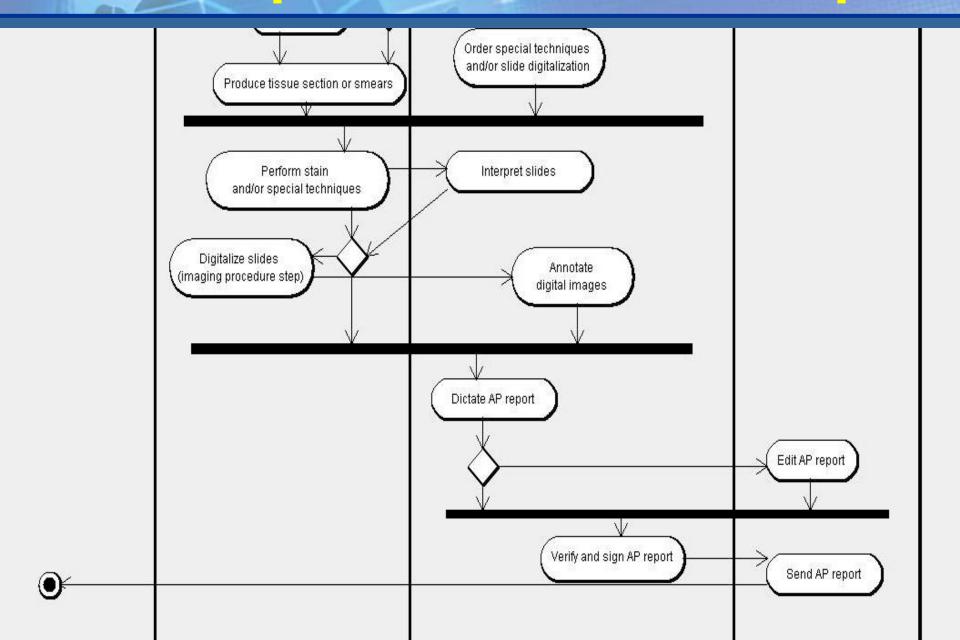
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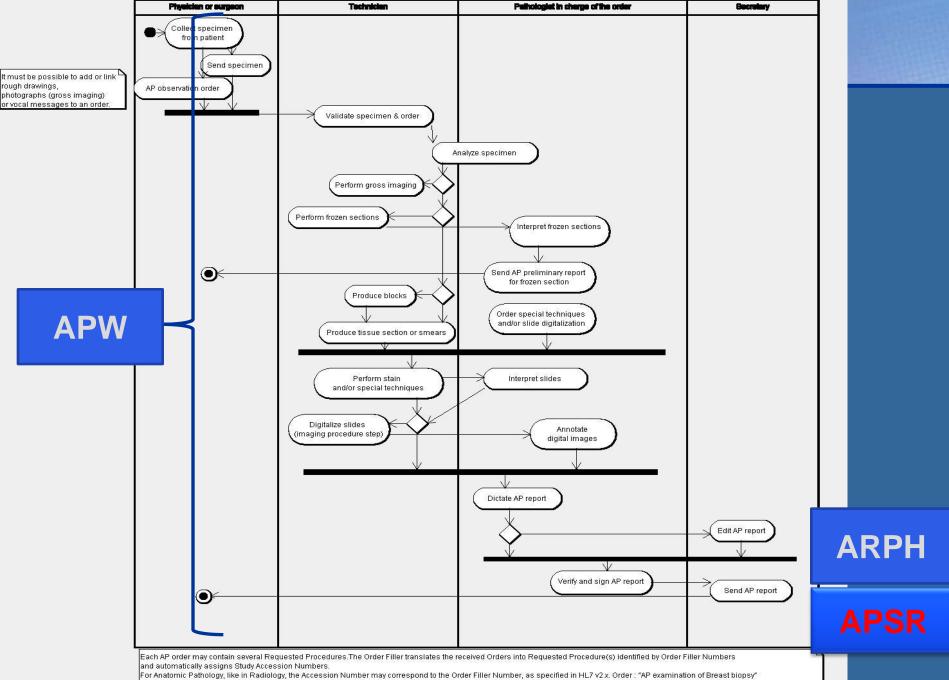
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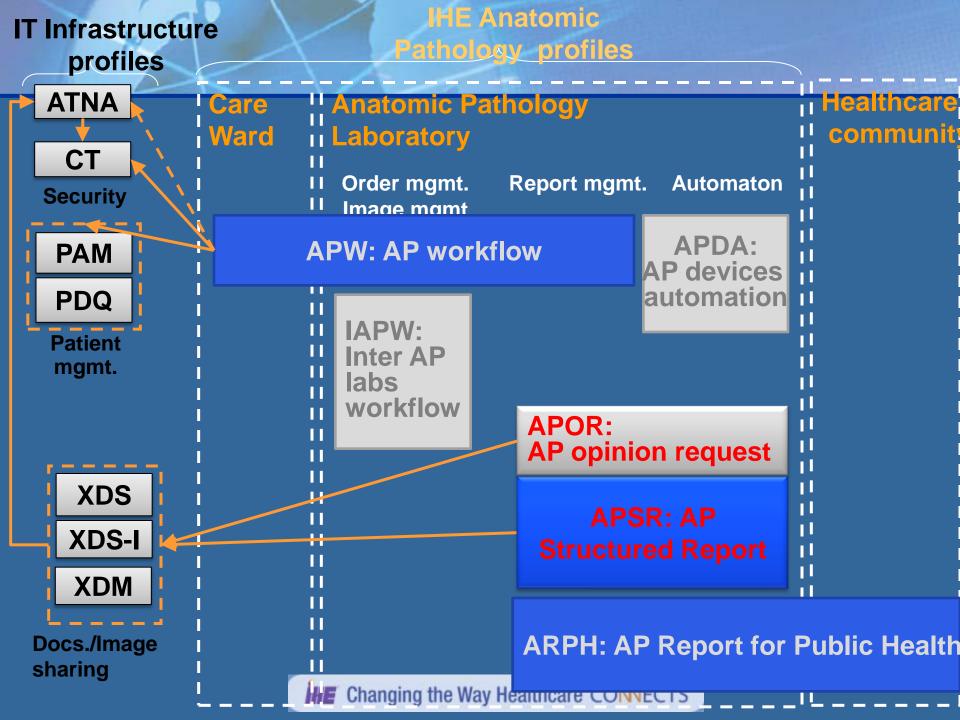


# Microscopic observation & report





Requested procedure (e.g "Imaging of AP examination of Breast biopsy" (at the patient level) = ACCESSION NUMBER = OrderFillerID) differs from (Imaging) procedure step (e.g "scanning Slide DP07110-A-5-1") at the specimen/derived specimen level



# Challenges of telepathology Role of Virtual Slides (VS)

- Access to medical expertise
  - Patient care
    - Decrease of medical experts & unequal geographic distribution
    - Increase of demand
      - Second opinion, emergency diagnoses (infectious disease, etc)
  - Education and research
    - Consensus & development of new diagnostic standards, e.g. TNM system, WHO terminology, new tumor classifications
    - Education and teaching, distribution of new diagnostic standards
- Virtual slides "new" solution for telepathology

#### Benefits of VS (/still images)

- Increase of acquisition speed
- Decrease of selection bias
- Specific new DICOM format (DICOM supp 145)
  - Integrating VS to standard information flows defined by IHE (exchange or sharing of VS)

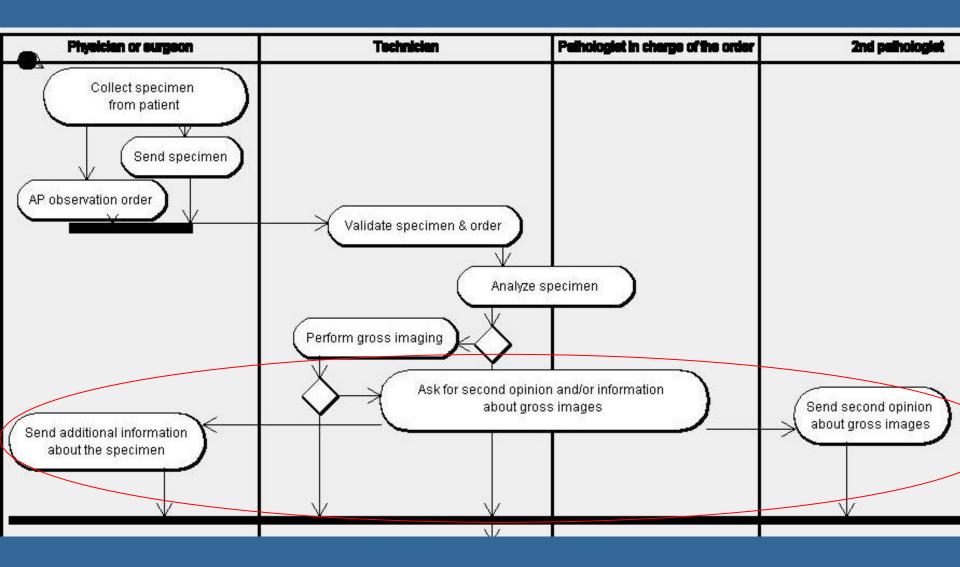
## Challenges of VS (/radiology)

- Image size
  - Storing, sharing, exchanging big images (several Gb) (also in radiology!)
  - Identifying needs and selection processes (relevant images & ROI)
- Specific new DICOM format (DICOM supp 145)
  - ➤ No trial implementation yet

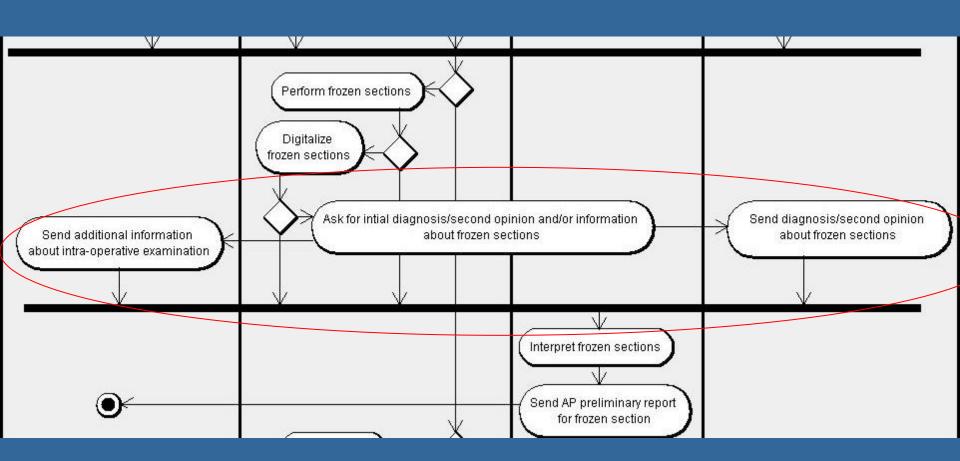
#### Users' needs

- Use cases
  - ➤ Tele expertise (second opinion)
    - Spontaneous (about 5% of cases)
    - Required by cancer institutes
      - E.g in France : sarcomas, endocrine tumors, mesotheliomas, lymphomas, etc)
  - Tele diagnosis
    - Intra operative processes
    - Emergency
      - Infectious diseases, grafts, etc
  - Multi disciplinary meetings

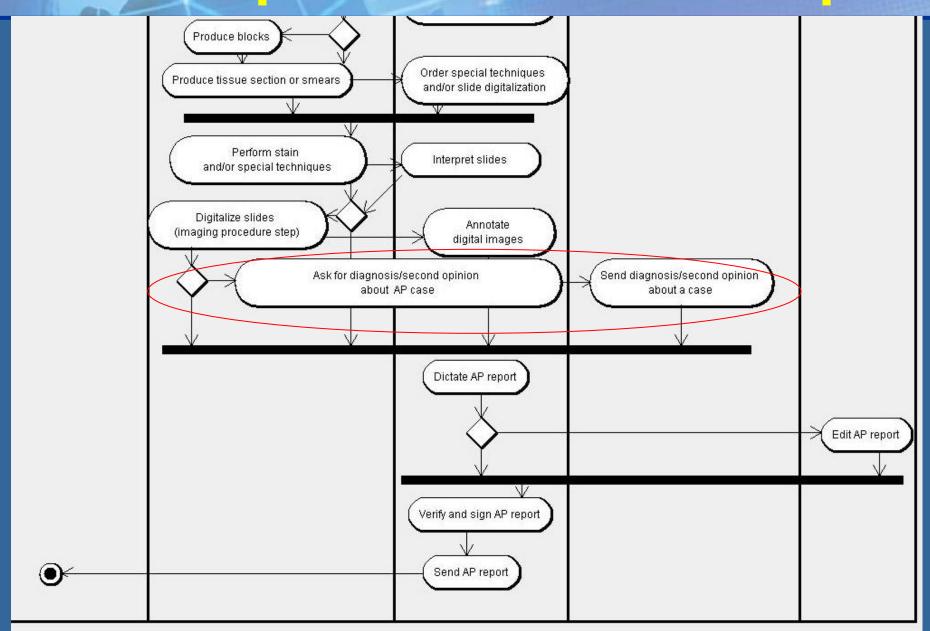
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## Intraoperative observation

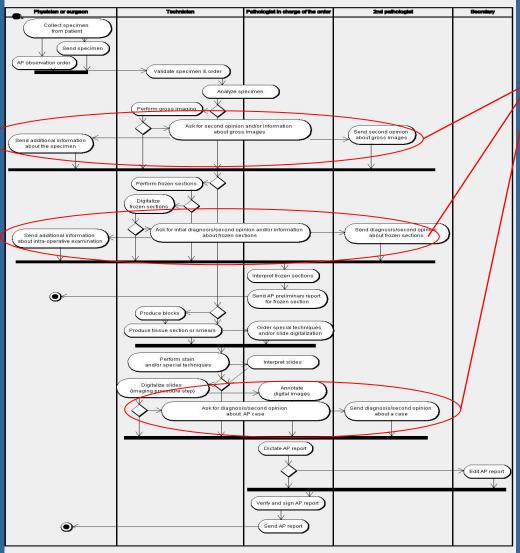


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# HE AP IR for collaborative digital





APOR: AP advice request

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Docs./Image
sharing

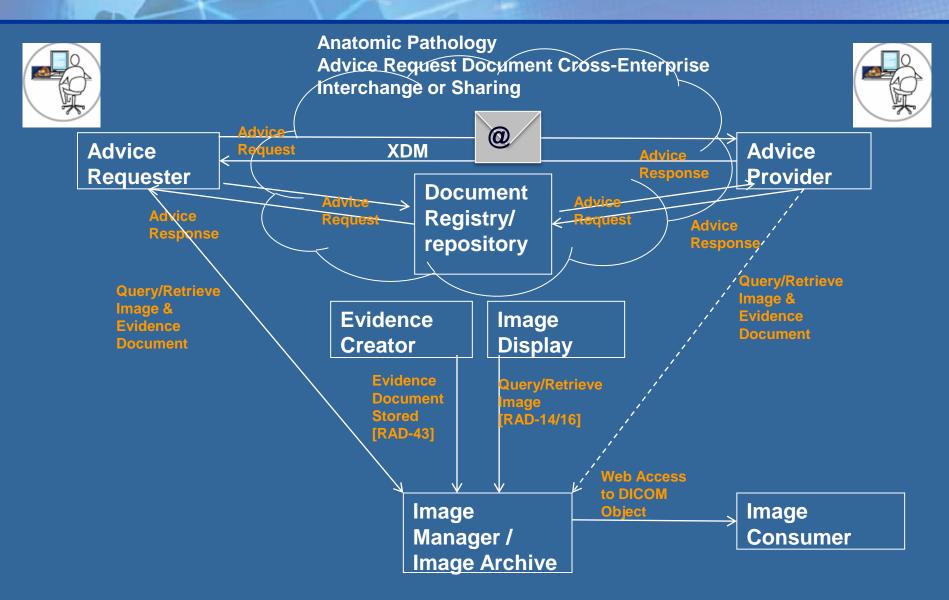
#### AP Opinion Request Use Case

- A requesting pathologist ask a remote expert pathologist or network of expert pathologists for second opinion on specimen
- The specimen is sent to this remote site
  - Physically (blocks, slides)
  - Virtually (gross images, histological images including VS)
    - In that case, a "Manifest" document is sent, referencing the images that were either sent previously or made accessible remotely
- In every case the Opinion Request and Response are communicated through IT
  - Asynchronous or synchronous communication is possible
- All the documents are managed in the context of the Anatomic pathology Workflow, from both sides

## **AP Opinion Request Context**

- The Opinion Request in Anatomic Pathology (APOR) is not different per se than other kind of Medical Imaging based Advice Request (primary diagnosis, therapeutic advice or second opinion)
- So it has to be described as a « content » profile of a more generic « Imaging Opinion Request »
- The WSI (huge images) introduces some constraints that are emerging in other imaging use cases (CT, MR studies...)

## AP Opinion Request Diagram



#### More information

- Googlegroup: ihe-anatomic-pathologycommittee@googlegroups.com
- Wiki:
  - http://wiki.ihe.net/index.php?title=Anatomic\_Pa thology

