



ESGO Traveling Fellowship Fellows Report

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Dates of Fellowship: 04.06.2018-31.08.2018

Detailed description on Teaching received: During my visit at Charite Virchow Clinic, I attended the morning meetings daily, which include the presentation of ward patients, night shifts and schedule of the operating theatre. Every Tuesday, I joined the tumor conference and expand my knowledge and vision from the multidisciplinary discussion of quite complicated cases and managements, as well as various ongoing clinical studies and patient enrollments. Because I have an additional knowledge of German, I was able to understand the discussions and attend local meetings at the university. On occasion, I accompanied Prof. Sehouli at the outpatient clinic and learned lots of things from his approach and management. Every day I had opportunity to scrub with the team, assist in the operations and confronted not only uneventful but also complicated cases. Particularly I gained surgical skills from the en bloc peritoneal multivisceral resection technique in advanced ovarian cancer. It was a unique opportunity and great pleasure for me to join the team at daily practice and expand my knowledge by learning from their surgical and oncological concepts.

Goals accomplished:

- I improved my skills in the surgical treatments of gynecological cancers.
- I learned from the team work and expanded my knowledge by confronting usual as well as advanced and complicated cases.
- I participated in a scientific project about recurrent ovarian cancer and took part in the preparation of the paper.

Achievement in clinical practice:

- Improved surgical skills in advanced ovarian cancer with total peritoneal en bloc multivisceral resection technique, nerve sparing radical hysterectomy and pelvic exenteration.
- Increased knowledge at preoperative and postoperative care and management of the patients

Presentations eg. at seminar or meetings:

None.

Research performed and outcome:

A research investigating the survival and prognostics in low-grade recurrent ovarian cancer was carried out.

Publications:

Manuscript is being prepared about the project mentioned above.

Problems encountered with a critical evaluation of the fellowship experience as a whole:

None.

Future plan on returning to home:

I'm currently working as a consultant gynecological oncologist in Istanbul and aim to implement the gained knowledge and skills into my daily practice.

Overall evaluation and comment of the fellowship:

ESGO-travelling fellowship was a unique opportunity for me to get clinical and scientific contact with the great team at Charite University. I thank Prof.Sehouli, Dr.Muallem and all the team for their hospitality, and certainly recommend to all colleagues wishing to expand their knowledge in the field of gynaecological oncology to visit this center. Finally I thank the ESGO council for providing me this opportunity and financial support which made this 3 months visit possible.

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Applicant's name: EMEL CANAZ

Signature:

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