

I was delighted to receive a BDIAP bursary to attend the Ghent Pathology Meeting, held in the historic and beautiful city of Ghent from 24–26 June 2025. On Tuesday 24 June, I presented a poster entitled “*An audit on the prevalence of Helicobacter pylori-associated gastritis in Gastric MALT lymphoma cases in two institutions*”.

The three days of the conference offered a rich scientific programme with a strong focus on complex diagnostic challenges. I particularly valued the sessions on dermatopathology and haematopathology, which provided practical approaches and expert insights directly applicable to my daily practice.

In addition to the academic content, the conference provided an excellent opportunity to connect with international experts, network with colleagues from around the world, and catch up with former collaborators. The combination of stimulating scientific discussions and the vibrant cultural setting made this a truly rewarding experience.

I am very grateful to the BDIAP for their generous support, which enabled me to attend, present my work, and further develop my knowledge and professional network. This experience will also strengthen my portfolio pathway application by demonstrating active engagement with international academic meetings and contribution to the pathology community.

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