

BURSARY REPORT ON ATTENDANCE OF ESP/AIP 2020 VIRTUAL MEETING

My name is Dr. Caroline Ngimba, a pathologist from Tanzania working in the department of Anatomical Pathology at the Muhimbili National hospital. I would like to thank the British Division of International Academy of Pathology (BDIAP) for providing me with the bursary which enabled my attendance to the ESP/IAP 2020 Virtual meeting. The bursary covered the registration for attendance of the virtual meeting.

It was a new and great experience for me to attend the Virtual meeting. The meeting platform was well organised, and It was possible to attend several sessions even for those that were running parallel. This is because the sessions were recorded and could be viewed later. I had a chance to view the recorded meeting sessions as well as poster presentations for several months after the actual meeting. This was very because the sessions were educative, and I gained knowledge.

During this virtual meeting I had an opportunity to present a case report titled “Immature teratoma of the greater omentum, case report and literature review”. It was a great experience to present in an Online platform. More than that I went through oral free paper sessions and viewed virtual posters presented by different attendees. Virtual exhibition hall was also great where I had an opportunity of interacting with various exhibitors.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic which is facing the world, I congratulate the organisers of the meeting (ESP&IAP) for making the ESP/IAP 2020 virtual meeting possible after postponements of the live meeting. I appreciate the efforts of British division of International Academy of Pathology for promoting pathology education through provision of bursaries to trainees and consultant histopathologists to attend meetings and trainings.