

Liverpool Pathology 2023

I am Islam Abdelaziz, an ST2 academic clinical fellow in histopathology working at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham. Liverpool pathology was the perfect opportunity to present early results of an ongoing project I am currently working on as part of my academic activity and receive feedback from colleagues and senior researchers. My abstract has been chosen to be presented at the plenary session, which was a fantastic opportunity to showcase the work and effort invested in this project. My talk was regarding the morphological and molecular changes of oestrogen receptor positive breast cancer following bridging endocrine therapy, a United Kingdom multicentre study. Nevertheless, I always looked forward to engage, communicate, connect with other attendees and exchange ideas and networking.

I am very grateful for the BDIAP for their generosity in supporting my participation in this conference, which was terrific with very high-quality lectures and a host of excellent speakers.

To me, the highlights of the meeting were the breast lectures with a world-famous pathologist; Professor Ian Ellis, Professor Abeer Shaaban and Professor Cecily Quinn. I learned a lot regarding apocrine tumours as well as micoinvasive carcinoma which are always challenging areas in the breast pathology field. I have also found the case competition very educational, and I learned a lot from the presentation and discussion of the cases.

The remarkable Professor Malpica's talk on serous ovarian cancer and Professor Xavier-Matias's talk on endometrial cancer were very educational and this highlighted new research prospects and added to my background knowledge on the molecular behaviour of tumours of the female genital system.

Overall, the research in progress sessions as well as the breast pathology, gynaecological and trainee lectures were excellent, engaging, and inspiring. I had the chance to socialise and engage with colleagues and leaders in the field.

I am looking forward to next year's meeting and would definitely encourage my colleagues to participate and attend this excellent conference. Many thanks BDIAP for your support and generosity.

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