BDIAP Uropathology Symposium 2021 Report

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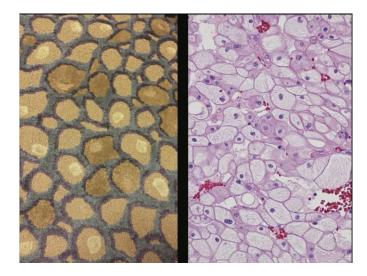
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I am very grateful for having been given the opportunity to go to the BDIAP symposium through the bursary scheme. The symposium appealed to me due to its comprehensive overview of urological tumours and updates in the upcoming WHO book.

The first day of the symposium was filled with really useful and high-quality presentations. They covered practical topics such as IHC used to distinguish between different eosinophilic renal tumours and provided useful tips such as a recognising a trabecular architecture and carpet sign being features favouring a chromophobe RCC (right).

Another useful learning point was the association of Lynch syndrome and upper urothelial tract tumours.



Some of the newer developments included recognising eosinophilic solid and cystic RCCs, molecular alterations associated with renal tumours and the renaming of PNETs to embryonic type neuroectodermal tumours.

Dr Murali's presentation about pragmatic reporting in prostate biopsies led to an interesting discussion about balancing diagnostic precision in equivocal cases with providing information to guide clinical management and prognosis. This came across particularly relevant with the wider concerns regarding the diagnoses of newer entities with limited access to newer IHC and molecular investigations.

Dinner on the first night took place at the stunning Royal Automobile Club. The building was beautiful and there was a stunning classic Porsche on display. It was really nice to being able to meet with other pathologists especially after such a long period of no face-to face events.





Day 2 of the symposium covered the slide sets which were quite challenging and included some trick cases which were useful for reminding me to always remain vigilant for lab processing issues.

Overall, the symposium was very well organised and as someone approaching my part 2 examination, I found it to be very useful and would recommend it for any pathology trainees.