

Travel and Conference Bursary to attend the Society of Cardiovascular Pathology Companion Meeting and the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology Meeting 2020 in Los Angeles, USA

Firstly, I would like to thank the pathological society for awarding me this grant to allow me to attend the Society of Cardiovascular Pathology Companion Meeting and the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology Meeting held between the 29th of February and the 5th of March 2020 in Los Angeles, USA.

I had been shortlisted for the USCAP 2020 Society for Cardiovascular Pathology Young Investigator Award. The event took place on the Saturday. The other four presentations were excellent with particular highlights being small vessel disease in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, viral aetiology in myocarditis and detecting transplant rejection by artificial intelligence. My presentation was on characterisation of hypertensive heart disease.

Sunday's session was entitled "A look at Sudden Cardiac Death with 2020 vision" and was composed of a number of great talks covering topics including cardiomyopathies, channelopathies, athletes, children and the southern hemisphere. In the evening, there was the SCVP banquet where Professor Allen Burke was the distinguished award recipient and I was honored to receive the USCAP 2020 Society for Cardiovascular Pathology Young Investigator Award.

I attended all the cardiovascular and many of the pulmonary sessions at USCAP. It has been an extremely useful meeting for learning about the latest research developments, networking and collaboration with industry.

