



## **ESGO Traveling Fellowship Fellows Report**

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**Dates of Fellowship:** 01.09.16 – 28.02.17

### **Detailed description on Teaching received:**

Open and minimally invasive surgical management of Ovarian/Cervical/Endometrial/Vulval cancer. Every week, two or three days in theater with involvement in between 5-8 cases, and at least one major case every day.

Preoperative assessment and optimization of surgical patients

Postoperative management of surgical patients with and without surgical complications

Management of two week wait patients in the diagnostic pathway

Fertility sparing management of gynaecological cancers

Working in a multidisciplinary team, liaising with all stake holders in the broad multidisciplinary team involved in delivering care for women with gynaecological cancer.

Managing a team of 6 junior doctors (SHOs)

Developing leadership, team working and management skills

GCP training with experience of recruitment to clinical trials

### **Goals accomplished:**

Enhanced confidence in major open surgeries for ovarian cancer (primary, debulking and

end-of-chemo debulking) and recurrent endometrial cancer  
Introduction into handling of cervical cancer patients for trachelectomy  
Experience with pelvic exenteration (indications for the surgery, performance of and postoperative management)  
Building on skills in advanced minimal access surgery

**Achievement in clinical practice:**

Improvement of surgical skills through major load of surgical procedures  
Development of professionalism in a foreign setting  
Enhanced experience with clinical management of cancer patients both planning and performing treatment according to local protocols.  
Experience with local MDT  
Inclusion of patients in multicenter studies  
Experience with supervision of junior doctors in management of gynecological cancer patients in the ward, in the out patient clinic and in theater.  
Experience of working in a different health system with different pathways and varying protocols

**Presentations eg. at seminar or meetings:**

Participation in monthly Audit  
Participation in Mortality and Morbidity meeting  
Participation, preparation and presentation of cases at weekly MDT  
Participation in a multidisciplinary away day with focus on consolidation and enhancement of the onco-gynaecologic cancer team in Eastern London  
Presentation: Ovarian Cancer, Recurrence and PET/CT, MDT  
Presentation: Journalclub, Pelvic exenteration, MDT  
Presentation: Same day discharge after TLH, experience from AUH, Audit

**Research performed and outcome:**

Data collection from RLH for cervical cancer survey in the London collaboration

**Publications:**

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**Problems encountered with a critical evaluation of the fellowship experience as a whole:**

None

**Future plan on returning to home:**

Aiming to submit PhD thesis

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Continue my fellowship at AUH, aiming to finish 31/08/17

**Overall evaluation and comment of the fellowship:**

In conclusion, the six months at RLH have been the experience of my life. I have had the pleasure of working with a team of very dedicated doctors, who stands united in the challenge of being the best, an on-going process that involves all levels in the department and their collaborators. Working in the team, has provided me with insight into similarities and differences in the interpretation of the international literature and has encouraged me to reflect about why and how this is obvious in the treatment, we offer the patients. It has been hard work. I have been tired. I have been challenged in my professionalism, my culture and my personal beliefs. I have missed my family and my Danish life. I have made new friends and colleagues. I have experienced the London way of working and living. And I have enjoyed it. It has been a pleasure to go to work every day and if asked, I would willingly repeat it..I have got invaluable friendships and I hope, we will continue the collaboration.

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Date 11/04/17

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