

Venue: Tissue Engineering in the auditory system, Paving the way from basic science to clinical practise. London, June 2nd 2011.

First I would like to express my gratitude to the ESF Travel grant to give me the opportunity to participate and attend this world class scientific meeting held in London.

The meeting was held at the historic building of the Royal Society in London, which once you are there, you feel the atmosphere is unique that combine history of achievements of sciences over the past years, with the advancement of modern technology.

I felt this is a great gathering day for clinicians and scientists from all over the world to present, and learn the advancement in tissue engineering, which will have great impact on our lives in the coming decades.

The meeting started by a short presentation by Prof G O'Donoghue and Marcelo Rivolta, to be followed by fascinating presentations by Prof Polak and Robin Ali from London.

The Second session showed presentation by Robert Shepherd from Melbourne, titled preserving the sensory cells: intracochlear electrical stimulation and neurotrophins.

I found presentation by Marcello Rivolta is fascinating, Human auditory stem cells, and very relevant to my research project I am currently doing at the University of Leicester, UK.

The meeting was very well organised, and I really enjoyed every minute of the day as it was very valuable to my research project. I had the chance to discuss issues from my research with world leader scientists. Fantastic opportunity.

Regards

Khalid H M Ali

University Hospitals Leicester

UK

