

College Travelling Fellowship

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Report of visit to Mansoura

I am really thankful to the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow for giving me the opportunity to spend one week at the Institute of Urology and Nephrology in Mansoura, Egypt. Mansoura is a city 100 km north of Cairo in the Nile delta. I was pleasantly surprised to see high standard of facilities, buildings and IT infrastructure at the institute, which could rival the facilities in any first world country.

During my stay I also attended a course on muscle invasive bladder cancer. There were total 25 delegates from different countries to attend the course. The course consisted of a balanced mixture of live operative demonstrations, animal lab practice and lectures. For two days I attended live demonstration of radical cystectomy with orthotopic bladder reconstruction which was performed by experienced urologists demonstrating high level of expertise. They also answered all the queries from audiences. As bladder cancer is very common in Egypt, there was no dearth of clinical material. Two concurrent cystectomies were performed every day. I learnt a new technique of bladder reconstruction and also got the opportunity to practice my skills during animal lab sessions. These sessions were extremely useful and were very well supervised.

In addition to academic and professional activities, this trip also gave me an interesting cultural experience. Everyone was very friendly, kind and welcoming.

I shall recommend this course to anyone who has interest in pelvic urological oncology or urological reconstruction.

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