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Hematologic Malignancies"**

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He is Associate Dean for International Medicine and Distance Learning, Adjunct Prof. of Clinical Urology and Adjunct Prof. of Clinical Reproductive Medicine at the Weill Medical College of Cornell University/New York Presbyterian Hospital. In 2016, he was appointed Adjunct Professor of Pediatrics in the Associated Faculty of the Perelman School of Medicine at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. He is also Associate Prof. of Urology at the Medical University of Innsbruck and Visiting Professor at the Medical University of Vienna.

Amongst others he is a member of the American, German and Austrian Societies of Urology and was awarded the Zuckerkandlpreis of the Austrian Society of Urology in 1989. In 1995 he received the Silver Medal, in 2007 the Golden Medal for Merits to the Republic of Austria and in 2014 the cross of honor of the Land Salzburg.

As Director of the Medical Program of the American Austrian Foundation he has initiated the Open Medical Institute, a scientific and educational collaboration of Weill Cornell and the New York Presbyterian Hospital, the Children Hospital of Philadelphia, Duke University, Columbia University, the Cleveland Clinic and leading hospitals in Austria. Dr. Aulitzky earned his medical degree at the University of Innsbruck in 1977, was a research associate at the University of Uppsala, Sweden and the Rockefeller University, New York. He received his training as an urologist at the University of Innsbruck and the General Hospital of Salzburg. He is the author of more than 140 publications on Urology, Andrology and Health Care issues and is co-author of books on basic and clinical urology/andrology.

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Thomas J. Fahey Jr., MD (Course Director) was appointed Senior Vice President for Clinical Program Development of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center on February 12, 1996, after serving as Deputy Physician-in-Chief of Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases for 15 years. In this new position he assumed responsibility for developing and extending international relationships and programs. After 45 years of Clinical and Administrative appointments at MSKCC, Dr. Fahey was awarded Emeritus Status in February 2011.

A graduate of Cornell University Medical College, Dr. Fahey completed his training in internal medicine at the Cornell Division at Bellevue Hospital and the Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases in New York in 1964. He was Chief Resident in Medicine at Memorial in 1965. He joined the staff at Memorial in 1966 and since then he has served in a variety of leadership capacities, particularly in the area of outpatient services, which have become increasingly important in cancer care. As Medical Director of the Memorial Sloan Kettering Breast Center from 1991-1996, he played a key role in the development of a full service, multidisciplinary, integrated, patient oriented, disease specific ambulatory center for breast cancer in an out-of-hospital facility. As Associate Dean of Cornell University Medical College he oversaw Memorial Sloan Kettering's clinical graduate education programs for residents, fellows and medical students, as well as continuing medical education programs for doctors in practice.

His clinical interests have been in the area of hormonal manipulation of endocrine related tumors. He has been president of the Damon-Runyon-Walter Winchell Cancer Foundation and of the New York State Society of Internal Medicine. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Calvary Hospital, a terminal care hospital exclusively devoted to cancer patients in New York City.

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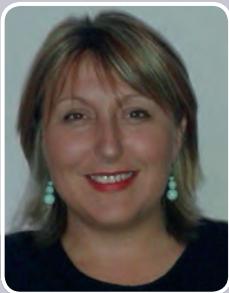


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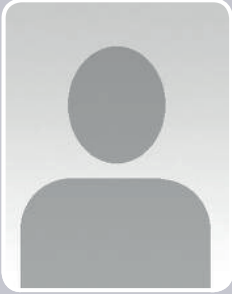
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SEMINAR DIARY FROM FELLOW

Diary of Dora Levai, MD
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Sunday, March 18. I have never been to Salzburg before, so I was excited, not just due to the fact that I was lucky enough to take part in a full week hematology seminar, but also for the reason that I could visit this beautiful Austrian city. I am working in a Lymphoma Center in the capital of Hungary, so there are many malignant lymphoma subtypes, which I never had the chance to meet in a clinical point of view. I thought it would be a great opportunity to gain some knowledge from other clinicians all around the world. While I was thinking about this, the six-hour length journey by train travelling with my fellow colleagues passed. The first impressions of the Schloss Arenberg were amazing, with all the modern photos, paintings, beautiful rooms and sculptures in this castle. The interior of the accommodation was modern and a bit unusual first, but after a few hours, it felt like a tiny home. During the Welcome Reception, all the faculty members introduced themselves personally; their introduction fulfilled the atmosphere with joy. The first dinner was also spent in a good mood. I almost forgot to be homesick.

Monday, March 19. It was the first official lecture day of the seminar. At the beginning, we got some information about the details of the whole week. They also mentioned pre/and post seminar tests, honestly this was a surprise for me. I was worried about the test result, because I do not have any experience with a lot of hematological malignancy subtype. As they told us, the test is a formality to measure the efficacy of the lectures. The rest of the day went just as well as I expected, with many interesting and important lectures from the faculty and many useful questions from the fellows. I was really looking forward to the rest of the week.

Tuesday, March 20. The next day was just as good, or even better as the previous one. I have never expected to understand the CAR T-cell therapy, but it happened, thanks to Professor Brentjens. It made me so happy. After the lectures, we went to a sightseeing tour in the city center and as an evening closing, we visited a really atmospheric beer house. I have truly forgotten to be homesick.

Wednesday, March 21. Best day of the seminar!! I have never thought that a presenter could be so inspiring, but after the 60 minutes long lectures, there were 30 minutes or even longer discussions. The follicular lymphoma lecture gave many new perspectives, so at the end of the program, with two colleagues, we were thinking about possibilities of a retrospective study in our center. To be honest, after many hours of brainstorming in the evening, and all night long laughing, the whole seminar started to feel like college times.

Thursday, March 22. It was the fourth day of the seminar, everybody was full with enthusiasm, energy and most importantly, full of questions. I found it fascinating that we could spend a week in this

international and professional environment, which seemed to me one of the best ways to improve our knowledge and make new relationships with colleagues. The case presentations were also a good opportunity to exchange our experiences, opinions, differences in the patient management. I have already started thinking about the one-month clinical observership program, organized by OMI.

Friday, March 23. The last day of the seminar. I had mixed feelings. I was so sorry that it is over, but at the same time I could hardly wait to share with my colleagues all the new knowledge and experiences I have gained. I was a bit anxious about my case presentation, but it went also well, I have many new points of view in the management of primary mediastinal B-cell lymphoma. After this week, all I could say to the next fellows: Do not miss this opportunity to learn from the best. So good luck, dear fellow candidates. Be on time and may the force be with you!

Thanks to the faculty and administration of Schloss Arenberg for this wonderful week!

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Diary of Nidia Paulina Zapata Canto, MD
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Sunday, March 18. We arrived on Saturday after a 10-hour flight from Mexico City and a 40 minutes flight from Frankfurt. The adventure just started when we arrived at the Salzburg airport and took a taxi to get to Schloss Arenberg of the Open Medical Institute of the American Austrian Foundation. The jetlag made me crazy, and I only slept a few hours. Salzburg was waiting to be discovered (wonderful places, site of Mozart and a lot of sightseeing). On Sunday at 7.00 pm, the welcome reception started and people from all over Eastern Europe arrived. It was so great to meet people from different cultures but with similar problems in the daily practice as a hematologist and to share experiences. It is such a wonderful experience and course. I am thankful to be here for the second time.

Monday, March 19. It is almost spring, but still snowing in Salzburg. I have not seen a snow rain before and I really enjoyed it. So many beautiful things in life that we see every day, that we do not pay attention to any more. On the first day, we started with an exam to evaluate the course learning objectives. Everybody was nervous, because we did not know what to expect, but I hope we all did well. That day we learned about lymphoma and very rare ones with Dr. Straus. His experience is amazing. Too much to learn in too little time, but it is worth it.

Tuesday, March 20. Second day, still snowing, everything was covered with snow, and the outside temperature was -4 degrees (freezing). Dr. Brentjens lectured on leukemia, from chronic to acute leukemia of the B cells, to conclude with CAR T cells (he has dedicated almost 20 years of his life studying CAR T cells). Amazing presentations! On Tuesday, I had to present my case. I was really nervous, but then it went smoothly and I finished with my questions to the faculty. They were really nice and supported me.

Wednesday, March 21. On the third day, Dr. Sauter lectured on lymphomas (high and low grade lymphomas) and he talked about autologous transplants. I am so impressed by the amount of clinical trials that are run at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and the access to drugs that they have. During the afternoon, we went to the Hohensalzburg Fortress, which is on top of the Mönchsberg. Beautiful! The view is so gorgeous. I made a snow angel at the top (it was my first time, so happy).

Thursday, March 22. The journey is almost over, two more days and then we all go back home to implement all the knowledge and to continue the friendship with all the new people we met here. Most of them coming from Eastern European countries with the same problems that we have in Mexico, and some even worse (money issues). Dr. Stephen Chung took us from myelodysplastic syndrome, acute myeloid leukemia, passing by true promyelocytic leukemia, and finishing with myeloproliferative syndromes. I only can say WOW, so much knowledge in one person. He answered many questions and we finished the day with multiple myeloma (Dr. Ola Landgren). Just amazing. I was exhausted due to all the information, so I went to bed. At 8 o'clock, we had the chamber music concert: flute (Vita Benko), harp (Milica Pasic) and piano (Sebastian Salvaterra). Just incredible. In the end, we took a photo with all the participants and the faculty.

I think this is a great opportunity in so many ways: To learn new things, to spend some time with the faculty and to talk with them about certain problems that we have, to solve problems, to see new places, to meet new people, to eat different meals; and the most important:, to exchange knowledge in order to promote gain brain and prevent brain drain.

Thanks again!

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