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SALZBURG WEILL CORNELL OB/GYN SEMINAR

January 19 - 25, 2020

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| • 34 fellows from 29 different countries |
| • 10 faculty members from the United States and Austria |
| • 20 lectures and 1 case presentation session given by faculty |
| • 33 interesting case presentations by fellows |
| • 4 excellent case presentations selected by faculty |

Faculty Photo (L-R)

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Group Photo of Faculty and Fellows



2020 Salzburg Weill Cornell Seminar in OB/GYN
Sunday, January 19 – Saturday, January 25, 2020



		Sunday 19.01.2020	Monday 20.01.2020	Tuesday 21.01.2020	Wednesday 22.01.2020	Thursday 23.01.2020	Friday 24.01.2020	Saturday 25.01.2020	
07:00	08:00		BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	DEPARTURES	
08:00	09:00		Introductions Pre-Seminar Test	Evaluation and Treatment of Benign Adnexal Masses Yelena Havryliuk, MD, FACOG	Pregnancy in the 4th and 5th Decade Christian Dadak, MD	What is New in Contraception? Yelena Havryliuk, MD, FACOG	Infectious Teratogens Laura E. Riley, MD		
09:00	10:00		Pregnancy as a Window to Future Health Laura E. Riley, MD	Uterine Fibroids Yelena Havryliuk, MD, FACOG	Intraepithelial Disease of the Cervix, Vagina, and Vulva Petra Kohlberger, MD, MSc	Endometrial Cancer Kevin Holcomb, MD, FACOG	Preterm Labor Management Stephen T. Chasen, MD, FACOG		
10:00	10:30		COFFEE BREAK	COFFEE BREAK	COFFEE BREAK	COFFEE BREAK	COFFEE BREAK		
10:30	11:30		Maternal Sepsis Laura E. Riley, MD	Management of Ovarian Cancer Kevin Holcomb, MD, FACOG	Preoperative and Postoperative Management Heinrich Husslein, MD, PLL.M.	Urinary and Fecal Incontinence Engelbert Hanzal, MD	Multiple Gestation Management Stephen T. Chasen, MD, FACOG		
11:30	12:30		Prenatal Genetics Stephen T. Chasen, MD, FACOG	Ovarian Cancer Genetics Kevin Holcomb, MD, FACOG	Clinical Risk Management Harald Leitich, MD, PhD	Pelvic Organ Prolapse Engelbert Hanzal, MD	Infertility and Assisted Reproductive Technology Andrea Weghofer, MD, PhD, MSc, MBA		
12:30	14:00		LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH		
14:00	15:00		Ultrasound and Fetal Abnormalities Stephen T. Chasen, MD, FACOG	Workshop Fellows' Case Presentations	Workshop Hands-on Training Laparoscopy Heinrich Husslein, MD, PLL.M.	Workshop Fellows' Case Presentations	Post-Seminar Test Evaluation & Discussion		
15:00	16:00	Workshop How to Present a Case							
16:00	17:00	Workshop Case Presentations by Faculty to Fellows							
17:00	18:00		<i>17:00 - 17:15</i> OMI/AAF PRESENTATION						
18:00	19:00	FACULTY MEETING TO REVIEW THE WEEK					FAREWELL RECEPTION		
19:00	20:00	WELCOME RECEPTION & DINNER	DINNER	DINNER FACULTY DINNER IN PRIVATE HOME	DINNER	DINNER	GRADUATION DINNER Certificates Awarded		
20:00	21:00					<i>20:30 – 21:30</i> CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT			

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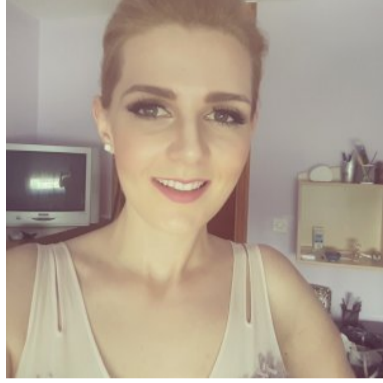
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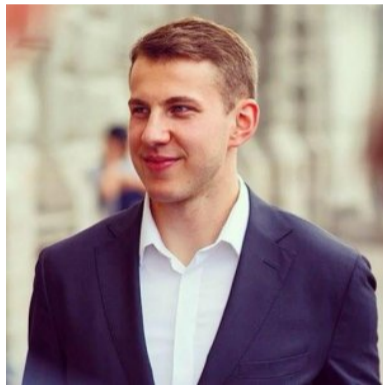
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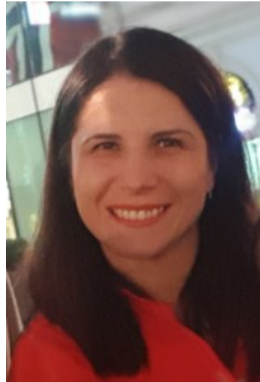
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January 19, Sunday. I arrived at Schloss Arenberg, where the seminar is held, they have nice cozy rooms. The receptionist was nice and answered my questions about the city. I decided to explore the city for the remaining day and used the Hop on Hop off bus tour to see Salzburg's main attractions. Everyone smiles and is kind in Salzburg, getting lost in the city is not an issue as everyone speaks good English and all are happy to help. The weather was cold and it was snowing, though I couldn't see much I enjoyed the tour and the weather, it does not snow in Qatar so it was an exceptional experience! In the evening, we met the faculty and the organizers, the welcome speech was motivating and I was excited to start the week.

January 20, Monday We started the day with a nice and simple breakfast at 7am followed by a pre-seminar test, most of the topics were similar to our board exams however some were new. The first lecture was quite interesting, looking at pregnancy as a window to the women's future health by Dr. Laura Riley. I realized I need to counsel my patients more about their future health. All the lectures were very informative and interesting. I liked that we had a break between every 2 lectures for coffee or lunch. Everyone sits together during these breaks and shares their unique experiences from their countries. I really met nice people from across the globe. The kitchen staff were especially nice and thoughtful, one of the nice waiters came to me and explained how they separate the vegetarian food and cut the cheese away from meat as she knows we don't eat meat.

January 21, Tuesday. Today's lectures mostly covered gynecology conditions, the benign diseases by Dr. Yelena Havryliuk and the malignant diseases by Dr. Kevin Holcomb. All lectures were informative and detailed. I'm a big fan of laparoscopy procedures so it was quite interesting to get to know another procedure that is performed in the US, that is not yet available in my hospital which is about the laparoscopic ablations of fibroids. After lunch, fellows started to present their cases. It was interesting to listen to everyone's different experiences, some rare cases were presented as well.

January 22, Wednesday. We had a laparoscopy workshop on Wednesday. Dr. Heinrich Husslein held his lecture first, then we could practice. Both Dr. Heinrich Husslein and Dr. Kevin Holcomb were with us and guided us. We also got tips about how to make homemade laparoscopy simulators which I'm planning to make. After the workshop I reviewed my presentation and prepared it for the next day.

January 23, Thursday. We had more gynecologic lectures. The first lecture was about contraception which answered many of our questions. This was followed by lectures on endometrial cancer and pelvic organ prolapse; all were interesting topics. At lunch I met a few girls from Mexico and we shared

our experiences at our hospital and discussed Mexican food! After that, we had the second part of fellows presenting their cases. My case was scar pregnancy and we had in total 3 cases with similar topics. It was a nice coincidence as all of these 3 cases that had been presented were managed differently. At night at about 8:30 pm we had the chamber music concert, the piano performers were really talented, they made sure to tell us the story of each symphony as well. It was my first time attending such events, they played Mozart and performed other artists as well.

Looking back at the week, I enjoyed the seminar, the experience was very unique. Living and attending the seminar in the same building has great benefits, you get closer to the other fellows and the faculty. You get to share your experience, discuss different cultures and history. The experience was truly outstanding and special. I would like to thank the organizers and lecturers for all their efforts and I hope we see everyone again next year!

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January 19, Sunday - January 25, Saturday. I had a great opportunity to attend a weeklong (19th-25th Jan) 2020 Salzburg Weill Cornell, OMI Seminar. Being selected and to participate among highly qualified OB/GYN specialists was in fact a great honor. The seminar was very unique in many positive ways. After hearing about the overall mission of the AAF- “Prevention of brain drain and foster brain gain” during the welcome remarks, I consider this comprehensive OMI program (OMI seminar to begin with) so special. There is no doubt, the same must be true for the 35 other participants from Eastern and Central European regions, Africa and Asia, who are thriving to improve health care in their homeland while being closely associated with the medical community globally at the same time.

I highly appreciate the OMI Course Director Laura E. Riley, MD and the faculty how meticulously the seminar topics had been chosen. It included updates on important health issues that we OBGYN doctors encounter very frequently during our clinical practice. Directing us to recent guidelines by faculties was again the bonus point. All lectures, that the seminar covered, for example “Pregnancy as a window to future health” by Laura E. Riley, MD (Course Director) was very insightful and gave direction to future research in this field thus broadening our perspective in health care. To receive several updated lectures on evaluation and management of benign and malignant ovarian and endometrial tumors by highly renowned experts in the field followed by series of healthy discussion helped a lot to make further plans as how to adapt the obtained information into practice when I go back to my work station.

Lectures on Intraepithelial diseases of cervix, vagina and especially vulva- the neglected women health issues by Dr. Petra Kohlberger (Co-Course Director) was really insightful. She highlighted how small errors in the decision making process lead to compromise in the patient’s quality of life. While the discussion on prevention of cervical cancer it was good to learn that HPV vaccination has been started in 18 home countries of the participants. I enjoyed the series of key note lectures covering a broad range of topics such as pelvic floor disorders and elderly pregnancy so much. The faculties’ sense of humor to make the subject interesting was incredible. A lecture on clinical risk management followed by an interactive discussion was very fruitful. Along with my colleagues we exercised and learned the complex issue of managing medical errors through case analysis. “Safety culture to create safety climate for prevention of medical errors” is one of the key take home messages of the seminar for me. This is something I am aiming to keep it up in my work environment. The Hands-on training/ workshop on laparoscopy was well organized. Each participant had equal opportunity to learn through the guided lecture followed by demonstration and practice.

Additionally, the yet unique part of the seminar were the case presentations held by each of the participants and further discussion on possible alternative management of such cases back in their home countries. I highly appreciate all the faculty's contributions.

I find the organization of the OMI seminar is of very high quality. One of its special features is the environment for a great social networking opportunity among the participants and the faculty. Besides comfortable accommodation, warm hospitality, authentic Austrian cuisine and Chamber Music Concert in the evening at Schloss Arenberg it gave me and my friends the feeling of being treated as special guests. I am thankful to the AAF and glad to be the part of the OMI seminar.

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