

Final Report on Participation in the 15th International Junior Academy – Summer School in Bordeaux

For me, pathology has always been a field that demands not only precision, but also constant curiosity and openness to new knowledge. That is why I was truly excited to take part in the 15th International Junior Academy – Summer School in Bordeaux. It offered a unique opportunity to deepen my understanding, share experiences, and gain inspiration from colleagues and mentors from across Europe.

During the Summer School, I had the opportunity to present a case report on a gynecological topic, which was met with constructive interest from fellow participants and experienced colleagues. The program featured a broad spectrum of high-level lectures delivered by established pathologists, covering various fields including thoracic, gynecologic and GI pathology – areas in which I am particularly interested in deepening my expertise.

What also stood out to me was the opportunity to observe how complex and ambiguous cases are handled through structured case discussions. Seeing how experienced pathologists approach uncertainty, through teamwork, open dialogue and systematic thinking, was a valuable lesson in itself.

Outside of the academic program, I thoroughly enjoyed the cultural events and the atmosphere of Bordeaux. The city's charm and hospitality, combined with a thoughtfully organized social program, created the perfect setting for informal conversations, networking and meaningful human connection. It reminded me how important it is to stay inspired not just professionally, but personally as well.

This Summer School has left a strong impression on me. It gave me fresh knowledge, new contacts and a renewed sense of motivation. I'm grateful for the experience and would gladly recommend it to any young pathologist looking for academic depth, international perspective, and a welcoming community.

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