

APOA Young Ambassadors in 2018

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Firstly, I would like to thank Dr. Jamal Ashraf and APOA executive committee members for giving me great experiences as a young ambassador from Japan in 2018 APOA. In Antalya, I met other 12 young ambassadors from various countries including India, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Australia, Indonesia, Turkey, Netherlands, and UK. All guys are very nice and we could make good friendship through the young ambassador program. The program included lectures from Profs in Turkey, Dr. Özenci and Dr. Ozcanli, visiting of Antalya Training and Research Hospital, and attending the APOA meeting. The lectures were given us on the first visiting day. Dr. Özenci talked about the sports injury and Ozcanli talked about the hand injury. My major is hand surgery and reconstructive microsurgery, so I was very happy to see Dr. Haluk Ozcanli and discussed the treatment of hand injury. We visited Antalya Training and Research Hospital for next two days. We could observe a lot of interesting operations. I could have a chance to scrub which was a good experience. I thank all of hospital staffs for nice hospitality (Figure 1).



Figure 1

In APOA meeting, we had a young ambassador session to present our researches (Figure 2). We could discuss for each presentation. I was impressed by every presentation from young ambassadors. Further, we could join several important social events and met a lot of famous active doctors from Asian countries.



Figure 2

Through the young ambassador program, I could know the differences in backgrounds, cultures, and medical systems in each country. To know the differences is very important to realize each other. The APOA is the most important international orthopaedic association in Asia. I would like to continue contribution for development of APOA. Thank you!