



PIANOFORTE travel grant activity report

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The annual congress of The European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO) is key for presenting the leading research in Radiotherapy each year. The number of visitors in 2024 was over 7000 participants and the congress covered presentations, ePosters, discussion boards, interactive sessions, and social activities including researchers from all over the world.

The program examined the current and future state of radiation treatment in detail and concentrated on areas that bridge gaps in the delivery of high-quality radiation therapy to everyone.

During the congress, I had the privilege to present my PhD work entitled "Searching for the best treatment planning technique using ultrahypofractionation in breast cancer". The poster discussion session allowed me to receive valuable insights from fellow researchers regarding my work. It also enabled me to engage in discussions with other doctoral and postdoctoral researchers involved in similar fields of study.

Networking with corporate partners is always invaluable. ESTRO 2024 hosts Europe's largest industry exhibition in radiation oncology and offers a unique opportunity to interact with experts and to find out about the latest developments in technology, techniques and oncology products.

Personally, it has been a fulfilling experience to be able to attend and present in such a venue. During the conference, the arrangement of presenting sessions, posters, and discussion sessions helped me to network, learn about other perspectives on this rapidly developing topic, and comprehend how varied backgrounds and experiences affect different emerging fields.