

Report on The Turkish Initiative for the Neurology Departmental Visit as a part of the WFN's the Africa Initiative Programme

Dr Philip B. Adebayo, from the Neurology Unit, Department of Medicine of Ladoke Akintola University, Ogbomoso, Nigeria is completed his one-month visit to our Department of Neurology at Cerrahpasa School of Medicine of Istanbul University.

Philip spend most of his time at our Stroke unit, Epilepsy division, EEG and EMG labs, as well as at the Doppler lab, Sleep unit, Algology/Headache Clinic and attended most of our noon conferences (on Mondays – case of the week and overview of the related neurologic condition; Tuesdays – residents' presentation; Wednesdays – journal club; Thursdays – headache and cerebrovascular diseases rounds on alternative weeks and Fridays – clinico-pathological case discussions) and weekly neuroradiology interactive meetings on Wednesday mornings. There was always either one of our residents or a medical student who translated the ongoing activities and discussions and he was also informed by our faculty members that he worked with.

Philip gave a presentation soon before his departure at one of our noon meetings, which he named “Nigeria, Neurology and my Cerrahpasa experience”. We have enjoyed his presentation and also learned a great deal on Nigeria and Neurology in Nigeria and Africa. Then, he summarized his activities in the different sections of our department.

Philip is a wonderful person, very modest, hardworking and everybody in our department, from the faculty to our youngest residents, medical students and trainees, as well as secretaries, nurses and technicians, we all liked him very much. I believe he will be one of the pioneers of modern Neurology in his

country and we will hear more of his achievements in the future. We certainly will keep in touch with him and his department.

Finally, The Turkish Neurological Society through a private benefactor would like to further support the African initiatives of the WFN by inviting one Kenyan colleague to visit the Neurology Department of the Cerrahpasa Medical School of the Istanbul University

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