Conference Attended: 19th European Testis Workshop Saint Malo, France, June 11-15, 2016 Recipient: Maria Elena Camacho Moll Position: Final year PhD student Supervisor: Rod Mitchell and Richard Sharpe

First of all, I wish the express my gratitude to the SRF for awarding me with a travel grant, which enabled me to attend this conference. This meeting is one if not the most important concerning my area of research. This is an international conference where people from different continents come to present their data and discuss about novel developments in the field.

I have given a poster-oral presentation about "The role of the oncogene Gankyrin in the pathogenesis of Testicular Germ Cell Cancer". My work has provided with a potential molecule that can regulate chemotherapy response in a testicular germ cell cancer cell line. My poster-oral presentation was well attended and discussed by senior experts and fellow trainees in the field, which provided me with new approaches for my research.

I have defended my work successfully and gained the confidence to talk about and defend my data in front of experts. I also networked with people all over the world, who have the same interests as me and this conference provided me with new information and techniques that I could then use back in the lab, or could be linked to my research for comparative purposes.

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Sincerely, Maria Elena Camacho Moll PhD student at the school of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine The University of Edinburgh