

Mohammad Hossein Ebrahimi 2020 OARSI Scholarship



From

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To

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In September 2022, I traveled from my home institution at the University of Eastern Finland to the Lund University in Sweden. I had the privilege to meet and work with Professor Martin Englund's group at Clinical Epidemiology unit as well as Associate Professor Patrik Önnerfjord's group at Molecular Skeletal Biology unit. The collaborative project focused on studying the human cartilage mechanical and compositional properties at different stages of osteoarthritis. I had the opportunity to get familiar with Lund Biobank and the related facilities. Then, we performed a set of proteomics measurements. This was very interesting to me, as my background is in engineering, and this scholarship allowed me to learn about new techniques like mass spectrometry measurements. The visit opened up new exciting opportunities for me to look at osteoarthritis from a different point of view. I also learned about biostatistics methods from biostatisticians in epidemiology group. The collaborative project has led to exciting results on association of compositional and functional properties of healthy and osteoarthritic human cartilage and has brought together three universities in Finland and Sweden in a novel collaboration that hopefully will continue.

I am extremely grateful to OARSI and my host institution for this great opportunity. I highly encourage doctoral students, postdocs and research fellows to apply for this scholarship.

