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Thanks to the College of Medicine and Health Doctoral Student Bursary, I was given the opportunity to attend Experimental Biology 2015(EB2105) in Boston. This is a joint annual meeting of all the main life science societies in the USA.

My main area of research is the renin angiotensin system in the kidney and its role in hypertension. Smaller local conferences tend not to have dedicated renal sections. The American Physiological Society (APS) has a large and very active renal section, which attracts researchers from across the globe. As a result it was a fantastic opportunity to share my research with a large specialist audience, meet with potential future collaborators or employers and attend invaluable talks.

As I am reaching the end of my PhD programme the exposure to new ongoing research and the chance to discuss and get feedback on my own work was hugely beneficial.