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Thanks to the financial support of the SSM, I had the great opportunity to participate to the 7th Advanced Lecture Course on Human Fungal Pathogens (HFP2017), organized by the FEBS, from the 13th to the 19th of May, at La Colle sur Loup, in the region of Nice, in France.

The congress started by a very interesting lecture by the Professor Alistair Brown, from Aberdeen, about the complexity of host-fungal pathogen interactions.

The next days were organized in two parts. Advanced lecture courses in the morning, divided in 6 different sessions on human fungal pathogens, starting with genomic and epidemiology of fungal pathogens, molecular and cellular biology, the development of new antifungal strategies, mycobiomes, and finally host-pathogen interaction with perspective from both sides of the balance.

The afternoons were dedicated to post-docs, PhD and Master students with selected lectures, poster talks and poster sessions where I had the opportunity to present my work about the mechanisms of tolerance to azole in the pathogenic yeast *Candida albicans*. In addition, I could discuss with experts on my field about my results and possible future experiments.

This congress also gave me the opportunity to meet people in the field of fungal molecular biology and pathogenesis and to make contact in labs from all around the world. The HFP2017 and the support from the SSM is of great value for the end of my thesis.



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