



# My Foreign Fellowship

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# UK EP training

- BSE examination
- Angioplasty follow-up clinic
- Primary PCI
- GIM

# Needed Foreign Fellowship

- Contacted every English speaking centre outside US.
- Received replies from Canada (some in French) and New Zealand.

# Needed Agreement from Mrs.F

- NZ too far.
- Canadian centres:
  - London said no.
  - Halifax interested- but small program.
  - Ottawa interested.
  - Hamilton interested- unfavourable lonely planet write up.

# Ottawa Fellowship

- Accepted on basis of CV and references.
- Between 2-4 fellows.
  - 8 Labs/wk
  - 4 PPM/ ICD clinics
  - Ward duties
  - Research
- 2 year fellowship

# What I did

- Saw how things were done differently.
- Education:
  - Weekly EP rounds
  - Weekly ECG rounds
  - 5 Fellows courses
- Procedures:
  - 100 ICD's
  - 40 CRT's
  - 200 SVT's
  - 80 AF's
  - 10 VT's

# What I did

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# Costs

- Wages \$70000pa (needed extra £15000 pa).
- Took pregnant Mrs. F away from bosom of family.

# Improvements

- HSBC
- Am Ex
- Apply earlier (pre HRS)
- Fix up UK job before going or you might not come back.

# World Class NHS

*Dear Mrs. Burrage,*

*I was interested in the job as a cardiac electrophysiologist. Would you mind if I submitted my job application by email (I live in Canada).*

*Yours Sincerely*

*David Farwell*

## ● Unwilling to accept electronic applications.

*Dear David*

*I am afraid we need nine copies of you cv and one of the application form, so I am afraid I cannot accept it by email. Overseas candidates usually send them by express delivery.*

*Kind regards.*

*Jane Burrage*

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