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My summer internship with the Cleveland Clinic's Center for Reproductive Medicine was an opportunity to enhance my scientific writing abilities and gain invaluable experience in the fields of urological research. While it was undoubtedly a challenging summer, it remains one of the most important experiences of my pre-medical career, and I am certain that the work I did with this program greatly aided my qualifications for medical schools admissions. The research that I participated in during this past summer has culminated in a publication in the *International Brazilian Journal of Urology*, and I am immensely grateful for this honor.

During my time in Cleveland, I researched the link between male infertility and testicular cancer. This topic was something that I was completely unfamiliar with before my time at the Cleveland Clinic began. By the end of the summer, however, I felt confident standing before a room of my peers and experts in the field and delivering a presentation on the research I had completed. This transformation reflected the program's capacity to improve my skills in perusing the primary literature, as well as my public speaking.

Additionally, this program afforded me the opportunity to see presentations from experts in the fields of urology and gynecology. The information gleaned during these talks not only proved to be instrumental for my research but also enhanced my confidence in discussing challenging medical issues with professionals.

In conclusion, my experience during the summer research program at the Cleveland Clinic's Center for Reproductive Medicine was a unique opportunity for me to exercise and improve my writing and speaking skills, while working with and hearing from some of the most well-known experts in the fields of urology and gynecology. I sincerely appreciate the opportunity I have been given, and look forward to utilizing the skills I have gained in the future.

Sincerely



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