

EMORY RadReport

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Impression of RSNA

RSNA 2008 marks another year of imaging innovation and the increasing role imaging plays in the advancement of healthcare. Each year this forum presents an opportunity for technical exhibitors to showoff their latest technologies and radiology organizations to meet while gathered in one place. This is also a time for those beginning their careers in radiology to be exposed to imaging experience from around the world.

The annual gathering is held the week following Thanksgiving at Chicago's McCormick Place, the nation's largest convention center. This is one of the few places in the US that can comfortably hold all of the simultaneous events that occur during the week of RSNA. When asked to describe the scene upon entering McCormick Place, attendees unanimously responded "overwhelming". Puneet Sharma, PhD, MR Physicist for the Emory Radiology Department, experienced RSNA for the first time. His main focus was to explore the new MR technologies offered by vendors in the technical exhibits. Dr. Sharma has attended other conferences, but found that nothing he had experienced could compare to the diversity and sheer number of vendors that filled the three technical exhibit halls. He found great value in speaking with a variety of vendors and the

opportunity to explore the cutting-edge solutions being offered.

For a second consecutive year, current Neuroradiology Fellow Kristen Lloyd, MD attended RSNA with an educational focus. Not only did Dr. Lloyd attend various lectures and refresher courses, she also participated as a member of a panel with Dr. Meltzer during the focus session *Choosing the Right Radiology Job: What You Need to Know*. This session set the stage for a discussion on making the career choice to go into academic medicine versus private practice. In preparation for this panel, Dr. Lloyd consulted colleagues to discover the rationale for their choice, attended a similar discussion at the ARRS meeting, put together notes regarding her reasons and then packed warmly for the Windy City weather.

While in Chicago, Dr. Lloyd also participated in the RadioGraphics Review Panel. This committee reviews the presentations and posters to decide which to publish. Gaining insight into the reasons that one piece is chosen over another is an invaluable experience for Dr. Lloyd. This interaction also helps to build bridges for future collaborations.



The 2008 Emory RSNA booth maintained an Emory presence within the Technical Exhibit halls with a focus on recruitment.

Many radiology organizations use this unique opportunity to meet while so many of the widely dispersed members are in one location. We also take advantage of this time to hold our annual Emory Alumni Reception. This year's reception was held on Monday, December 1, 2008 at the Intercontinental Hotel in the Camelot Ballroom. This growing event is a time for former and present residents, faculty and other radiology professionals who have been touched by Emory to come together. The continuing success of this event is evident as more and more alumni schedule our event into this busy week.

It is apparent that Emory Radiology continues its rise in international stature, as evidenced by the repeated invitations for our experts to participate as presenters at RSNA. This is the largest medical gathering in the world and is a time when all aspects of imaging are recharged with new ideas.

- Monica Salama
Communications Specialist

Letter from the Chair

Dear Colleagues,

Happy New Year!

2008 was filled with challenges and accomplishments for our department so I thought I would take this opportunity to recount just a few of the highlights.

Together, we have made considerable progress in our five-year strategic plan toward becoming a destination department. Milestones have been met in each of our goals of enhancing faculty recruitment and retention, becoming a national leader in radiology practice quality improvement, achieving top-20 NIH ranking, enhancing our relationships with referring physicians, and establishing a sustainable development program.

Seventeen new faculty joined the department in 2008. We have two new division directors: Kevin Kim was recruited

from my alma mater of Johns Hopkins to lead Interventional Radiology and Image-Guided Medicine, and Mary Saltz left Columbus Ohio to join us as Director of Community Radiology.

At this time last year we were deeply concerned that Grady could close its doors, leaving a gaping hole in our training and clinical programs. Thanks to the efforts of many in the institution, city and state, and in our own department, Grady is now healthier than in many years under the leadership of new CEO Michael Young. Chief of Radiology Services Jack Fountain is doing a wonderful job guiding new investments in imaging and PACS equipment.

A year ago we initiated a transition at Emory Crawford Long Hospital (Emory

Midtown) toward greater subspecialization of services. This transition has been ably overseen by Chief of Radiology Services for ECLH Bill Small and continues.

We also expanded to a new hospital site, Emory University Orthopaedic and Spine Hospital, in September.

All of our ACGME- approved residency and fellowship programs underwent site review and received a clean bill of health.

Our research programs grew considerably, including the funding by the National Cancer Institute of a P50 grant to establish an Emory Molecular and Translational Imaging Center.

I am certain 2009 will be filled with both greater challenges and more accomplishments. The new PACS/RIS implementation is imminent (finally!) and the ongoing

physical changes in the EUH department should enhance both patient satisfaction and workflow. The Emory Center for Systems Imaging, with state-of-the-art research services at Wesley Woods, is about to open its doors. Recruitment of top-ranked faculty and staff continues. Yet, we are already feeling the ripples caused by the recent downturn in the global economy and this will likely be our largest obstacle. There is much to do and we are poised for greater growth and progress. Indeed, together we will continue our journey toward excellence in every endeavor.

Best to all,

Carolyn C. Meltzer, MD, FACR
Chair of Radiology



DEPARTMENT GROWTH

Up on the Rooftop

On Saturday, December 20, 2008, the new Siemens 3T MR scanner was delivered to Emory University Hospital (EUH). This is a milestone in the complex initiative to physically reorganize the Radiology Department at EUH.

The process to install the MR suites began more than six months ago with the construction of an electrical closet specifically designed to support the needs of this specialized area. Over this time, walls have been moved, piping and electrical wiring have been snaked through the ceilings of existing offices, and 1080 sq. feet has been added to the building.

Dale Walker, Director of Strategic Initiatives, has choreographed the movement of supplies, staff and patients to minimize the distraction of the construction zones. This is only one element of the bigger picture.

Mr. Walker continues to simultaneously interchange space and function as the pieces of our renovated radiology department move into place.

With the completion of the electromagnetic (RF) shielding installation and relocation of one of the two MR scanners currently located at ground level, the new suites are scheduled to open in early April.

During this time of transformation, other areas throughout radiology will continue to see changes. Emory Midtown is slated to receive a Siemens 1.5 MR, Nuclear Medicine at EUH is receiving a Siemens Symbia SPECT/CT, and new Interventional Radiology Suites in EUH move closer to completion with the arrival of the new air handler. These milestones will continue to mark the progress and success of our growing department.

- Monica Salama, Communications Specialist



The new 3T MR scanner was lowered into place through the roof of Emory University Hospital.



IN THE LEAD

Community Direction

The Emory Division of Community Radiology provides services at EJCH and ECLH and is poised to provide comprehensive coverage for outpatient imaging centers and other ventures in the future. The division concentrates on providing outstanding customer service - both for patients and referring physicians. Comprised exclusively of subspecialty fellowship trained, board certified radiologists, emphasis is placed on clinical

productivity with bidirectional use of PACS infrastructure to promote efficiency without sacrificing the quality of interpretations.

This month, Mary Saltz, MD begins her leadership of Emory Community Radiology as Director of the Division. Her experience as an abdominal and interventional radiologist includes developing interventional pain

management and vein ablation initiatives, which brought two new procedures to the practice while at Radiology Incorporated in Columbus, Ohio. During her role as Vice Chair of Radiology at Grady

Memorial Hospital in Delaware, Ohio and as Chair of Radiology at New Albany Surgical Hospital in New Albany, Ohio, she played an integral role in improving the scope and quality of services offered to its patients. Dr. Saltz also led regulatory compliance and quality improvement initiatives as Chief of Radiology and Chair of the Radiation Safety Committee at Coral Springs Medical Center in Coral Springs, FL.

Her extensive experience and knowledge will be an asset as this vibrant division grows to deliver quality care to the greater Atlanta Metro Area.



Dr. Mary Saltz has taken on the role of Director for the Community Radiology Division.

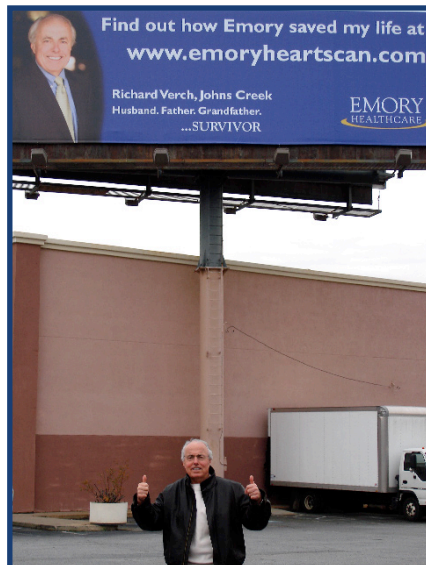
Predictive Medicine Saves Lives

Richard L. Verch, 68, of Alpharetta, underwent a coronary screening CT exam at The Emory Clinic on April 30. The report wasn't due to be sent to Verch for two weeks. The next morning, Arthur E. Stillman, MD, PhD, Director of Cardiothoracic Imaging, recommended immediate surgery.

"The images demonstrated a 5.6cm ascending aortic aneurysm," says Dr. Stillman. "Rupture of an ascending aortic aneurysm could be catastrophic. In his case, the coronary arteries had mild calcification and so his risk was from aortic rupture, not a near-term heart attack. It certainly is possible that this test led to life-saving surgical correction of the problem."

Verch left his office, at Strong Environmental, Inc. in Norcross, Georgia where he serves as CEO. His doctor, Emory physician Andrew Huber, was able to set up an appointment for surgery with Robert A. Guyton, MD, Chief of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Emory. Guyton performed a valve-sparing ascending aorta and hemiarch replacement at Emory University Hospital on May 16. Verch was in surgery for more than five hours.

To read Mr. Verch's complete story of how predictive medicine saved his life, visit www.emoryheartscan.com



During the month of December, northbound travelers on I-85 could view Mr. Verch's Emory billboard. Read his life-saving story at www.emoryheartscan.com.

New Faculty



Baowei Fei, PhD

Assistant Professor of Radiology

Dr. Fei has joined the Physics and Computing research division at Emory after leaving Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio where he was in charge of the Multimodality Image Analysis Laboratory. Dr. Fei's research experience includes evaluating PET, CT and MR images and developing new imaging methods for applications for certain diseases. In 2006, his work on prostate

cancer imaging and image-guided therapy was highlighted by the Department of Defense. Dr. Fei received his PhD degree in Systems Engineering and his MS degree in Computing and Information Science from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. He also holds MS and BS degrees in Biomedical Engineering, and Biomedical Engineering and Instrumentation.



Claude Pierre-Jerome, MD, PhD

Instructor of Radiology

Before joining the Musculoskeletal Imaging division, Dr. Pierre-Jerome served as an Associate Professor of Radiology at Sahlgrenska-Molndal University Hospital in Sweden. For the past twenty years, Dr. Pierre-Jerome has published and presented internationally on his research on clinical applications of structural and functional

MR methods. As a co-author of three books and numerous peer reviewed journal articles, Dr. Pierre-Jerome is well known in the musculoskeletal field. As a multilingual speaker of English, French, Spanish, German and Norwegian, he is well versed to discuss innovative imaging.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Teleradiology Manager



Organization, communication and a positive attitude are all attributes that Willie Arnold utilizes to fulfill his role as a successful leader within the Radiology Department.

Willie Arnold transitioned to the role of Teleradiology manager over the summer of 2008.

Since February of 2001, Willie has been actively contributing to the Radiology Department. In his previous position as a member of the Radiology Application Services (RAS), he contributed to the support, administration, and maintenance of enterprise-wide and imaging specific applications. In July 2008, Willie transitioned to this new role, previously held by Chrystal Barnes, which includes managing Teleradiology clients, the teleradiology team and reading room coordinators.

Emory Teleradiology currently focuses on servicing the equivalent of seven clients throughout the southeast region. With 20,000 annual Teleradiology interpretations, the Radiology Department hopes to expand this number in the near future. Also, new technological advancements will make it possible for more of our radiologists to read scans from the comfort of their homes instead of rushing to the reading rooms when an emergency read comes through. This virtual access will streamline the reading process, provide convenience for our Radiologists and allow more patient scans to be evaluated in a timely manner.

Willie manages numerous Teleradiology clients who use our specialized radiology services. He provides exceptional customer service to the clients and diffuses any issues by communicating effectively with our radiology faculty and staff.

The individuals on Willie's hardworking team include four teleradiology staff and ten reading room coordinators. On a daily basis, Willie reviews the

productivity of the teleradiology services, ensures efficiency and productivity of the workflow, properly installs equipment as needed, and is active in departmental meetings and projects. In addition to these daily tasks, he is also on 24-hour call so he can constantly be available to his nightshift staff.

Willie earned his Business Management Degree from the University of Florida

and has an extensive technical background with IT certifications such as a Novell Administrator (CNA) and Microsoft Certified Professional specialist (MCP). For additional information about Emory Teleradiology, you can contact Willie Arnold at willie.arnold@emoryhealthcare.org.

- Alaina Shapiro
Communications Coordinator

A Season of Celebration

'Tis the season for happiness spent with family and friends. This year the Emory Radiology Holiday Party held at the Fox Theater on Friday, December 19, 2008, proved to be a huge success with over 600 guests in attendance. The Radiology Department faculty and staff brought family and friends to enjoy this season with their co-workers. The Holiday Party was the perfect opportunity to reflect on the growth and accomplishments of all the hard work that has contributed to this successful department and prepare for another flourishing year.

This fun-filled night of good food, great company and lively dancing packed the Egyptian Ballroom. Looking around the room, endless smiles beamed from one face to another. Familiar faces and new introductions lasted throughout the evening as the guests enjoyed the perfect opportunity to unite.

Our successes of this year are evident as we reflect on accomplishments such as acquisition of the P50 Grant, advancement in quality assurance and gaining international recognition for Emory Radiology. Team efforts by all radiology faculty and staff have been made as we grow and welcome additional faculty and staff to the department. As this year comes to an end and a new one begins, the opportunities seem infinite as we work together to focus on our shared goals.

- Alaina Shapiro
Communications Coordinator



The Egyptian Ballroom of the Fox Theater was the perfect backdrop for the department to come together.



STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE

Successfully Meeting Our Challenges

January 2009! Can you believe it? Another year has streaked to the finish line. The holiday season has ended. I hope you and yours had a great one. The passing of an old year and the start of a new year always brings reminiscing and resolutions to mind. What did I do that I was proud of? What was done that I wish I could change? How can I be better this year?

We are going to face many challenges this coming year. We will see challenges personally, collectively as an institution and as a society. Each of us can play a part in successfully meeting these challenges.

For our personal challenges we will need to prepare ourselves. Our preparation can and will take many forms. For some it might mean making that decision to go back to school to get or complete that degree we never got around to. For others the financial instability we face as a nation will hit home. Some of us will face the prospect of caring for our elderly parents perhaps even while we still have children at home. Preparation for successfully working through our problems is the key. Whether it is continuing education for future success, saving money now for the future or researching what resources are available to help with caring for our elderly

parents, preparation is required. Part of this preparation is our own health. Do not neglect keeping yourself healthy. Eat right, exercise and get a physical. Do not forget your flu shot. Prepare your body for the challenges ahead.

Our institutional challenges we face this year will be different from our personal challenges. However, the solutions to them are the same or similar as for our personal challenges. Preparation is the required ingredient.

Patient satisfaction is a challenge faced by every healthcare provider and Emory Healthcare is no exception. Our goal for Emory Healthcare is to be ranked nationally for quality among the top tenth percentile of academic medical centers in the US according to UHC and Press-Ganey by the year 2012. Patient satisfaction plays a large part in this. What part does our department play? How is our score determined?

This year our department is focusing on one aspect of patient satisfaction. We will be looking at how our patients score us through Press-Ganey on our response to their concerns and complaints. To prepare for this challenge, we are putting together

an advisory team with representation from across the department. This team will help prepare and lead the way in improving our outcomes.

We will need to keep ourselves better informed as to the progress we are making. Banners are ready and already up in some areas to display information about our progress.

You may wonder why this is important to be ranked in the top tenth percentile. It is important because of our promise to our patients. That promise says we will provide a quality experience defined by impeccable clinical outcomes, patient safety and service. The patient's experience with us is a personal experience. That experience revolves around the manner in which the service is provided. This is where you and I come in to successfully meet this challenge. We provide the experience for the patient. How we behave around our



patients and how we react to their concerns and complaints is how they will remember their visit. Let us lead the way for Emory Healthcare in patient satisfaction.

- Dale Walker
Director of Strategic Initiatives

Rising Leader of Nuclear Medicine

Dr. Jeranfel Hernandez provides leadership to the fellows and residents as the Nuclear Medicine Chief Resident. In this roll he is an advocate for the residents and fellows in the development and implementation of the program requirements and tasks. Dr. Hernandez works closely with the program director, Dr. Daniel Lee, to coordinate the Nuclear Medicine fellow and resident rotations and call schedules, applicant interviews and orientation programs. He supports the educational interests the Nuclear Medicine fellows and residents with coordinating conferences, social functions, and resident and fellow involvement in student teaching. In this role, Dr. Hernandez is also an influencing factor in maintaining resident and fellow morale. Communication is a top priority in this position for Dr. Hernandez as he continues to work with the flow of information from the resident and fellows to the attending faculty, and technical, administrative and clerical staff.



Jeranfel Hernandez, MD
Nuclear Medicine Fellow

Dr. Hernandez joined the Emory Nuclear Medicine Fellowship Program with experience in the pharmaceutical industry. As a chemist, he provided laboratory testing of various pharmaceutical products, which included UV spectroscopy, infrared (IR) identification, High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC), and Content Uniformity among others. He also served as a project manager validating various pharmaceutical products including raw materials and finished products worldwide.

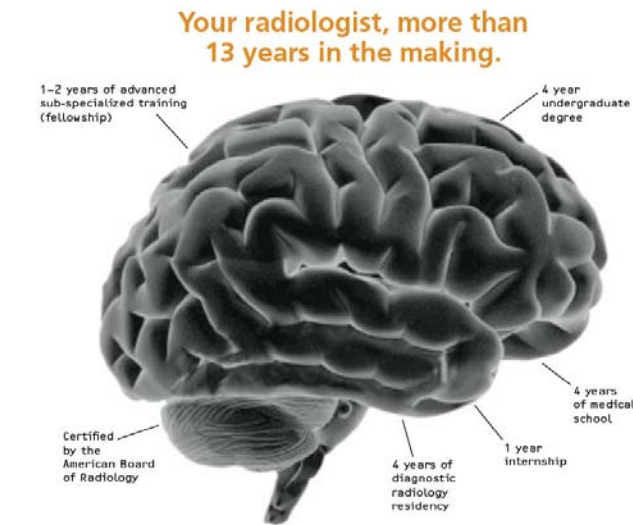
Dr. Hernandez received his Medical Degree from the Universidad Iberoamericana in the Dominican Republic, followed by an internship at an oncology hospital in San Juan. He went on to complete an Internal Medicine residency, and became board certified. He also holds a degree in Chemistry from the Universidad Del Sagrado Corazón, in Puerto Rico.

GET INVOLVED

American College of Radiology: Working for Us

The ACR celebrated its 85th anniversary this year, yet many of us don't quite understand what it is or does for us. I recently checked with several senior leaders in the department and was surprised to find that they were not ACR members. I believe this stems from a lack of awareness of the broad mission of the ACR and its effectiveness, particularly in recent years.

One aspect of the ACR's goal toward enhancing the value of radiology in patient care is advocacy through governmental relations. ACR staff, councilors, and members work on legislative agendas important to healthcare economics, quality and safety, and education both at the state level (e.g., through our own active Georgia Radiological Society) and the national level. Some of the relevant current issues include legislation to curb self-referral and overutilization, define the role of the Radiologist Assistant (RA), and provide a moratorium on further reimbursement cuts for imaging studies due to the Deficit Reduction Act



The ACR has developed a branding campaign to help explain the education and role of the radiologist to patients, payers and policy-makers.

(DRA). I have very much enjoyed visits to Capital Hill with the ACR and would encourage others to join me.

Another important initiative the ACR has taken on is that of bringing radiologists out from the shadows. The ACR branding campaign "Face of Radiology" educates the public, payers, and policy-makers about who radiologists are, how they are trained, what they do, and why they are critical to the quality of

patient care. A website MyPatientConnection.com aids radiologists in interacting with patients (asking us to interact directly with 5 patients per day) and MyRadiologist.com informs the public about our field.

In June 2008, the ACR Education Center opened its doors in Virginia to offer hands-on learning in an interactive, innovative state-of-the-art facility. The ACR is also committed to the continued education of

radiologists through its online resources and sponsorship of courses such as Dr. Diego Martin's Annual Body MRI Update.

Quality and safety are core elements of the ACR mission. Our clinical practice relies on the ACR RADPEER system for peer review of imaging studies. The ACR Appropriateness Criteria are evidence-based guidelines that help to guide referring clinicians on which imaging studies to optimally order in which clinical settings. The ACR Commission on Breast Imaging provides accreditation in mammography, stereotactic breast biopsy, and breast ultrasound and biopsy, a prestigious designation held by our own Emory Breast Imaging Center.

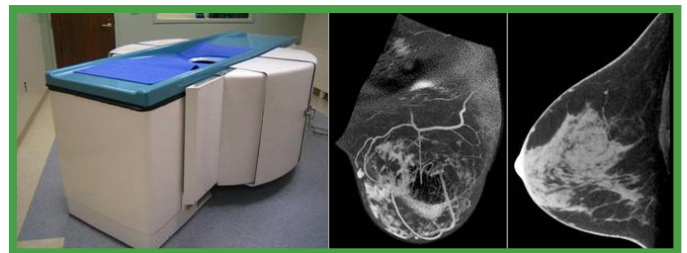
This Spring's Annual Meeting and Chapter Leadership affords us another opportunity to support the ACR and recognize its role in our field's success. At this meeting, Dr. William Casarella will be honored with the distinguished ACR Gold Medal.

- Carolyn C. Meltzer, MD, FACR
Chair of Radiology

Ready for Research

The Division of Breast Imaging is prepared to begin two new corresponding clinical trials. One study will monitor tumor response to neoadjuvant chemotherapy, while the other is a comparison study of breast CT to diagnostic mammography and MRI.

These trials will utilize the newly-installed dedicated breast CT located in the WCI Building. This unit is one of two prototypes produced by Konin Corporation of its kind in the world. Its isotropic high resolution, high contrast, low dose capabilities bring about a wide variety of new approaches to breast cancer detection and treatment. The Breast Imaging Center is also looking forward to incorporating a Breast Tomography Unit, developed by Hologic Dimensions, as the beta test site.



The newly installed breast CT is the second prototype clinical system of its kind in the world. This unit will be used by Emory Breast Imaging researchers in various studies.

The research team has begun to identify possible candidates for their study and is looking forward to advancing predictive medicine.

GET INVOLVED

“Meet your Radiologists”

Emory Radiology is committed to the development of strong relationships with all referring physicians. For the 2008 – 2009 calendar year, we have plans to actively engage referring physicians to identify opportunities to better serve their needs and the needs of the patient.

On Wednesday, December 17, Emory Radiology hosted “Meet your Radiologist” in the physician



Emory radiologists hosted lunch in the ECLH physician dining hall to strengthen relationships with the ECLH physicians.

dining hall of Emory Crawford Long Hospital. The event was planned to be an informal meet and greet so that the medical community of Emory Crawford Long Hospital would have a three-hour window to make introductions and share ideas for enhancing their collaborative efforts in providing patient care with Emory Radiology. The support of the event by Dr. Bill Small, Chief of Radiology Services for ECLH, and a dozen of our radiologists and administrators made the event a success. Numerous ECLH physicians who attended the event were appreciative of the commitment to referring physicians exhibited by our department.

- Greg Pennington
Physician Liaison

Count Down to RadNet

Watch for posters preparing you for the change to RadNet.

This is an Emory Healthcare system-wide change that will take place on January 31. In Radiology, we will be posting tips for specific areas and changing them periodically as we count down to RadNet.

For area specific information visit <http://www.eushc.org/eemr/help/radnet/>

Proud to Present



Are you giving a presentation in 2009? We would like to know about it. Give us a chance to promote your lecture and let everyone know the influence that Emory Radiology has on the imaging community.

Please send your future presentations to RadiologyComm@emoryhealthcare.org

Visit www.radiology.emory.edu/events-and-lectures for up-to-date event information.

Radiology Calendar

Week of January 12, 2009

Wed., Jan. 14 –
Grand Rounds -
Pat Coletti, MD
Myocardial Viability

Thurs., Jan. 15 –
Research Conference
No Lecture

Week of January 19, 2009

Wed., Jan. 21 –
Grand Rounds -
Walter J. Curran Jr., MD
*The Radiation Therapy Oncology
Group: Research Update 2009*

Thurs., Jan. 22 –
Research Conference
Robert Atcher, PhD
TBA

* Location Change: EUH Annex N235B *

Week of January 26, 2009

Wed., Jan. 28 –
Grand Rounds -
James Provenzale, MD
*Applications of Nanotechnology
to CNS Imaging*

Wed., Jan. 28 –
Cancer Imaging Seminar Series
Michael Garwood, PhD
Frequency-Swept MRI: no sound or echoes

Thurs., Jan. 29 –
Research Conference
Diego Martin, MD, PhD
*MRI Developments in Liver Imaging
Related to Transplantation*

* Location Change: EUH Annex N235B *

Week of February 3, 2009

Wed., Feb. 4 –
Grand Rounds -
Michelle Michel, M.D.
*Imaging and Staging of
Sinonasal Malignancies*

Thurs., Feb. 5 –
Research Conference
No Lecture

For times & locations visit the website:
www.radiology.emory.edu

NEW FACES & APPOINTMENTS



Marquis Cash

Patient Services Associate - TEC

Marquis has four years of experience from Abington Memorial Hospital, PA as a Medicare Representative. He earned his Masters in Business Administration from Arcadia University and his Bachelors in Science Health Policy Administration from Penn State University. Outside of work he enjoys skydiving.



Dorothy Pettay, RT(R)

Nuclear Medicine Technologist - EUH

Dorothy is a MCG Senior student who was on the Dean's list during all semesters. She graduated from Dekalb Medical Center school of Rad.Tech and received the Outstanding Academic Award in June 2001. Dorothy was the Senior Research Tech. here at Emory Univ. Dept. of Genetics in 1999 prior to attending Radiology school.



Tabitha Childers, RN, MSN

Interventional Radiology Nurse Manager - EUH

Tabitha recently completed her Master of Science in Nursing from the University of South Alabama. Prior to joining the Radiology Department, she was a Senior Clinical Manager at The Emory Clinic in Internal Medicine-Subspecialties. She is a member of AONE, AWHONN and AACN.



Shawn Scott

Radiology Scheduler - TEC

Shawn is looking forward to completing his BA in English from Clayton State University in December 2009. Outside of Healthcare, Shawn has experience working for the Gwinnett County Government and the Kelloggs Company. He enjoys traveling and has been on four cruises.



Linda Gunsby, RT(R)(CT)

Manager of General Diagnostics & US - EUH

Linda, employed by Emory Healthcare for 22 years, has been the CT Supervisor at ECLH for the past 20. She earned her BS in health arts from the University of St. Francis and is also registered in CT. Outside of work, Linda is an avid Atlanta Sports fan and shared her love for sports as a little league coach for 10 years.



Victoria Swartz

Registry Radiology Technologist - EUOSH

Victoria is involved in professional organizations such as ASRT and ARRT. Her experience includes working as an ER Diagnostic Tech at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg, VA. She earned her AAS in Radiologic Technology from Southwest GA Technical College. In the near future, she plans to return to school to earn her BS Degree from Emory University.



Kasib H. Jarvis

RAS team - EUH

Kasib recently earned his BS in Technical Management from Devry University in Alpharetta. Prior to joining our team, he was a Consultant for Siemens Medical and an IT Manager for OMI Medical Imaging. Kasib is a certified Project Manager (PMP) and is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) among 25 other technical certifications.



Mitchell Tulloch, CPC

Patient Account Representative III - TEC

Mitchell is a Certified Medical Coder and is currently pursuing a degree in accounting at Kaplan University. She has eight years of experience in customer service at TEC Business Office. Mitchell is a member of the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC). Her area of focus here in the Radiology Department is denials.



Lakisha Lee

Radiology Scheduler - TEC

Lakisha came to the Radiology Department after working a year at ECLH as a Patient Services Coordinator in the Internal Medicine Department. Her goal is to become a certified medical coder after she completes her courses which begin in the spring of 2009. Lakisha is a true Georgia Peach as she was born and raised in Georgia.



Richard Wright, RT(R)

Interventional Radiology & CT Manager - EUH

Richard, previously a Radiology Supervisor, brings 19-years of experience to his new position including four years as an x-ray specialist in the military and four years as an MRI manager. He earned his BA in Marketing from Mercy College in NY. He is also member of American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT).



Francisco Morin, RT (R)

Registry Rad Tech - EUOSH and WWGA

Francisco earned his AA degree in Radiologic Sciences from Northern Virginia Community College and his BA in Physiology and Anthropology from the University of Mary Washington. He has four years of experience as a Rad Tech at Inova Loudoun Hospital in Washington, DC. Francisco speaks Spanish, French and English.

Look for a new issue of
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the first full week of February.