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Changes at the top

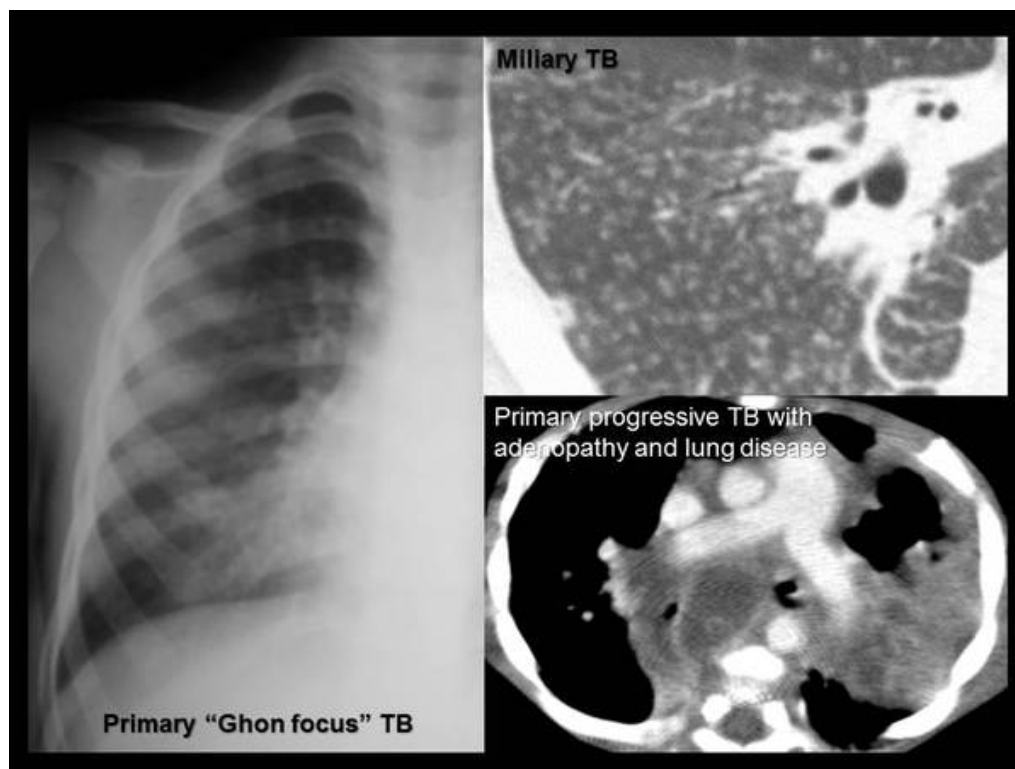
Last May saw WFPI's Council change around, with Dr. Veronica Donoghue/ESPR stepping down as our President while Dr. Gloria Soto/SLARP stepped up into the role (see below for Dr. Soto's mapping project, marking her presidential term). Dr. Wendy Lam/AOSPR joined us as Vice President, Dr. Timothy Cain/AOSPR completed his term as Treasurer (with Dr. Rutger Jan Nievelstein/ESPR moving into this role) but has taken on the role of a Regional Representative on the Council for AOSPR, and Dr.

Richard Barth/SPR joined the Council as Vice Treasurer. Following a bylaws revision, our Founding President Dr. Ines Boechat/SPR was co-opted onto the board to provide the "effective transfer of corporate knowledge, to facilitate continuity of strategic planning and/or mentor junior council members". See here for the full WFPI leadership – Executive Committee members and our 5 regional society representatives.

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TB Group Publications and Mini-Symposium

Great news. The Paediatric Radiology Journal has accepted a proposition from our TB Group for a mini-symposium on Childhood TB Imaging, led by Dr. Bernard Laya. The contents will include: TB imaging in Children: Current and Future Directions; Standardized Radiographic Interpretation of Thoracic TB in Children; Extrathoracic Imaging Manifestations of Childhood TB, Drug Resistant TB; and TB and HIV coinfection with emphasis on TB associated inflammatory reactive syndrome. Meanwhile, more publications from our Group are up on our TB Corner <http://www.wfpiweb.org/OUTREACH/TBCorner.aspx#WorldTBDay> on the role of ultrasound in the diagnosis of extrapulmonary TB and Tuberculosis meningitis: basic cistern enhancement pattern on CT imaging.



2016 ACR Global Humanitarian Award for WFPI

The American College of Radiology Foundation selected WFPI for its annual Global Humanitarian Award for its "level of commitment made and service to improving pediatric medical imaging across the globe, its sustainable approach and the enthusiasm that the World Federation of Pediatric Imaging has engendered through its collaborative approach, volunteers and educational resources to encourage engagement in international outreach efforts". The award was received by WFPI's Founding President Dr. Ines Boechat in Washington DC, May 2016.





Digital Education

Five years in from its creation, WFPI has completed an analysis of our education projects. All indicators point to digital (online) education being a useful tool – both for consumers and for those of you trying to help them. However, we need to re-tool our digital education offering to ensure that it is relevant and more streamlined, robust, and user-friendly.

To this end, Dr Brian Coley, has joined us as WFPI's new digital education leader, to take this project forward. Dr. Coley and his digital team are now looking to draw up a curriculum, accessible to anyone and relevant to the diverse professionals that provide pediatric imaging across the globe. Content will be stratified by level of difficulty, not by professional status, thereby letting our users decide on their own levels of expertise.

We will also evaluate, curate, and provide portals to relevant existing accessible online content. Where available and appropriate, we will also provide material and links tailored to different geographies (AOSPR's site and online education tools for Asia, GPR's site for German-speakers, SPR's site for North America, SLARP's site for Latin America, etc.).

WATCH THIS SPACE as our survey results come through and we move towards our website-repository revision. And in the meantime, keep an eye on our social media accounts (Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/pages/World-Federation-of-Pediatric-Imaging/176723089107785?ref=hl>, Twitter <https://twitter.com>, our YouTube channel <http://www.wfpiweb.org/EDUCATION/PortalWFPIYouTubeeducationchannel.aspx>, as they are re-dynamized).

A Global Mapping of Pediatric Radiologists and their training

You may have heard about the WFPI "mapping" project underway, led by Dr. Soto, WFPI's 2016-2017 president. Dr. Soto says "the time has come for WFPI to assume a new challenge, which I consider crucial when undertaking international efforts of outreach and education. By this we mean developing information of global pediatric radiologist's presence, training and needs around the world. This will help define more clearly the needs and gaps regarding pediatric radiology and thus guide our efforts. I believe WFPI, because of its unique global nature, is the only pediatric radiology organisation with the ability to perform this job - develop global "overview" of pediatric radiology, and expect reasonable results. It is an ambitious project and to be successful we will definitely need the help and guidance of each EXCOM and Council member, and the members of their respective societies contacted for this information".

A mapping working group was set up in August 2016 and has been hard at work defining « pediatric radiologist » for its members' respective regions (multiple-country regions can require a definition per country...) and how training takes place. The survey will be disseminated the week of October 24th, results pending!





SPR May 2017 - Save the date

WFPI has a half day session in the North American Society for Pediatric Radiology (SPR) meeting, to be held in beautiful Vancouver, Canada, on 20th of May 2017. Take note : this session is for those looking to learn! Because we are not looking to “showcase” outreach work, but rather bring together people with relevant experience and learn from each other. We are inviting colleagues from different organizations to hold a frank discussion on what goes right and what goes wrong, what to do and what not to do in the provision and implementation of pediatric medical imaging – digital and onsite (one panel each, plus a panel on POCUS) - in lower resource settings. And we'll kick off this session with an overview of a mapping exercise on the world's pediatric radiologist availability and their training.

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