Dr. Omolola Mojisola Atalabi to receive Honorary Membership at SPR 2019

The Society extends Honorary Membership to individuals outside of North American pediatric radiology who have made outstanding contributions to the care of children: (Excerpts from an article written by Dr. Dorothy Bulas)

Dr. Omolola Mojisola Atalabi (Monica) is one of only a few pediatric radiologists practicing in Africa. Her remarkable story begins in Nigeria where she was born and raised. Through sheer will and the support of family and mentors, she has become a strong advocate and leader shining a light on the vast imaging needs of the children she serves.

Eager to be the best, she applied for an RSNA Derek Harwood Nash International Fellowship. In 2007 Dr. Atalabi was accepted to go for three months to Boston Children’s Hospital. There she met many inspiring radiologist particularly George Taylor who took her under her wing. She wrote several papers with Drs. Taylor and Ed Lee and returned to Nigeria motivated to focus on pediatrics and inspire others to share her enthusiasm for this specialty.

Understanding the importance of growing radiology expertise in Nigeria, Monica became active in numerous societies including leadership roles in the Medical Women Association of Nigeria, Association of Radiologists of West Africa, AAWR, SPR, Pediatric Oncology Society of Nigeria, West African College of Surgeons, RSNA International Advisory Committee, and RSNA Committee for Middle East and Africa. She developed a curriculum for pediatric radiology and serves as an examiner for the National Post Graduate Medical College of Nigeria and West African College of Surgeons.

Dr. Atalabi helped found the Society of Pediatric Imaging in Nigeria (SPIN) and became President of the African Society of Pediatric Imaging in 2015 with the encouragement of Savvas Andronikou. She became a member in council of the World Federation of Pediatric Imaging in 2012 and currently serves as its President.

Monica has received many awards for her multiple accomplishments and inspiring work ethic. Invited to come to the SPR in Boston in 2010 as a Heidi Patriquin International Fellow, she received a standing ovation for her presentation on the limited imaging resources children face in Africa. This moving talk helped galvanize support for WFPI outreach which was in its infancy. It is fitting that Dr. Atalabi will be awarded SPR Honorary Membership in San Francisco this year for her effective advocacy.

WFPI Fellowship in India

The World Federation of Paediatric Imaging (WFPI) announces a three-month (April 1, 2019 - June 30, 2019) sponsored training observership to be spent in the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), a premier medical and research institution in Chandigarh, India under the mentor-ship of Prof. Kushaljit Singh Sodhi, MD,PhD,MAMS, FICR, Professor, Department of Radiodiagnosis. Among the eligibility requirements:

- Applicants must be currently in a senior resident position in India sub specializing/interested in pediatric radiology or Must have completed radiology training not more than 5 years prior with an interest in pediatric radiology and practice in India.
- Must be fluent in both written and spoken English
- Financial support for the Observer is $3,000 US to cover transport and living expenses; $1,000 US for the Host Institution.

Application Deadline: February 13, 2019
Interested in Applying?: Click for all application details and access to the online application.

WFPI @ SPR 2019

WFPI Sunrise session - Thursday, May 2
Join international colleagues at the WFPI Sunrise Session, May 2nd from 7 - 8:20 am. Moderated by WFPI Vice President, Dr. Dorothy Bulas, the program includes presentations on:

- Pediatric Radiology Education & Innovation in China
- Innovation in Africa using Artificial Intelligence as a sustainable solution for Healthcare
- Challenges of Ensuring Radiation Safety in Low Resource Settings
- Update in WFPI Fellowship Initiatives
- Innovative Outreach Initiatives - Top 5 Recommendations
  - Rwanda Experience
  - Mozambique Experience
  - Tanzania Experience

Breakfast Get-together: Pediatric Radiology Outreach FAQ at SPR 2019

Interested in learning what your colleagues in the World Federation of Pediatric Imaging are doing and, if interested how you could jump in? Pick up your breakfast from the hallway and join us for an informal gathering of WFPI volunteers and supporters on Friday, May 3rd in Continental 1, 7:00 – 8:20 am.

Dr. Kushaljit Singh Sodhi to receive Honorary Membership at SPR 2019

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Prof. Dr. Kushaljit Singh Sodhi is a pediatric radiologist and a leader among Indian radiologists. He is a Professor of Radiology at the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) in Chandigarh, India, which is one of Asia's premier medical institutions.

Dr. Sodhi has worked tirelessly to ensure safer imaging of children in the Indian subcontinent and is a staunch proponent of the Image Gently campaign. He has furthered pediatric radiology education and research in India, the Asia Oceania region and other parts of the world for the last decade. He helped establish a pediatric radiology fellowship in his institute, which was amongst the first in the Indian subcontinent. More recently, he worked with the WFPI to establish a new three-month fellowship in India starting in April 2019.

His leadership and organizational skills have been carefully honed over the years organizing several radiology conferences in India and the Asia Oceania region. Most recently, this was evident in his role as the organizing secretary of the Asian Oceanic Society of Pediatric Radiology annual meeting in Chandigarh last year, which had an attendance of more than 750 delegates, the largest number in its history.

Dr. Sodhi currently serves as executive committee member of the World Federation of Pediatric imaging (WFPI). He is regarded as a world leader in the campaign against pediatric tuberculosis and he recently took over as the leader of the tuberculosis group at the WFPI. He serves as the current Treasurer for the Asian and Oceanic Society for Paediatric Radiology (AOSPR) and as the Secretary of the Indian Society of Paediatric Radiology (ISPR).

Sister Societies Annual Meetings

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WFPI Executive Committee 2018-2019

Meet the full 2018-19 WFPI Executive Committee

Breaking News!

WFPI has been notified that the William Shiels Memorial Foundation intends to provide significant annual support to the new WFPI Observership Program. Details are being finalized as we prepare to mail, but will be shared in the next newsletter and on the WFPI Facebook page and Twitter feed when ready.
Many of us remember Bill Shiels warmly and feel confident he would have been happy to see his name associated with this program that brings pediatric radiology education to parts of the world where it is now rare.

Thank you to Dr. Raj Krishnamurthy, Chair of Pediatric Radiology at Nationwide Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, for making this support possible.