Pedicatric Radiology Academy

This SPR-WFPI joint initiative aims to provide ready access to quality pediatric radiology education to everyone involved in the care of children around the world.

With 8 videos up so far, a global steering committee is about to be launched. It will address content (different languages and region-specific pathologies WELCOME), editorial overview, lay out, IP and technical issues and the creation of an ambassador network. This latter is our way of trying to ensure that via WFPI’s global community we have a “plant” in meetings and courses worldwide, soaking up expertise onto (short) films and ensuring knowledge gaps are filled.

Another online educational tool

WFPI Case of the Week
on Instagram
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Who’s behind all this?

Dr. Sanjay Prabhu, WFPI’s webmaster, trained in India, the UK and Australia and is now at Children’s Hospital Boston, USA. He is the director of the Advanced Image Analysis Lab and Co-Director of the SIMPeds3D Print Service. He speaks multiple languages including Hindi, German, Kannada and Marathi.

Dr. Dorothy Bulas, WFPI’s education lead, from Children’s National Medical Center, Washington D.C. (USA) where she is Vice Chief of Academic Affairs and Fellowship Program Director.

Act now!

Click here to sign up for live web streaming for SPR’s entire post-graduate course. Access free of charge for colleagues outside of North America. Places limited, April 27th – 28th 2015. Don’t miss out!

Reminder - this year’s IdoR

theme: PEDIATRICS

November 2015

AFROSAFE – launched!

AFROSAFE - a campaign created by the Pan African Congress of Radiology and Imaging (PACORI) and other radiation health workers - was launched at PACORI 2015, Kenya. Its aim: “to ensure that throughout Africa, the benefits outweigh the harms for all individuals exposed to radiation for screening, diagnosis, or therapy at all levels of care”. More....

Speaking on child imaging safety and enjoying the launch cake on behalf of Image Gently and WFPI: Drs. Kimberly Applegate (photo, far left) and Jaishree Naidoo (African and South African Societies of Pediatric Imaging). Discussions were held with Dr. Maria del Rosario Pérez (WHO) on the highlighting and launching of Afrosafe’s pediatric component at SASPI’s upcoming congress in 2016.
Introducing our new outreach leader

Dr. Cicero Silva - trained in Brazil, Australia and Canada and now at Yale School of Medicine /New Haven Hospital, USA - has stepped up to replace Dr. Savvas Andronikou after his three energizing years at the helm of WFPI’s outreach. It’s a demanding role – monitoring projects and partnerships in lower resource settings, running the tele-reading platform, nurturing research/new ideas/approaches and supporting volunteers. Plus participation in all (all...) WFPI working groups. In short, our outreach leader ensures that the left hand knows what right is doing across the world. Unclear to this day if Dr. Silva knew what he was taking on, the transition has been cheerful and seamless. We are in steady hands. Savvas: thank you for launching us so spectacularly and introducing the African pediatric imaging societies into WFPI. And yes, please do stay involved!

Slow take-up

One of our outreach team’s biggest challenges: distance support to health facilities. Imaging is happening, pediatric expertise is thin on the ground, help is sought, we have a great great (free of charge) tele-platform via Collegium Telemedicus and many willing multi-lingual volunteers. Nonetheless tele-reading 2nd opinion take-up is slow. We largely work with Ministry of Health staff who can struggle to access computers. Yet mobile phones are ubiquitous. We’re exploring the options....

Untrasound

A hot topic all over the world as ultrasound users continue to diversify. After rich debate, WFPI is looking to create a unified US platform regarding pediatric ultrasound (education, research, guidelines, safety/quality) to share information/publications across regions, build up website content and nurture partnerships with other US-focused societies, institutions & NGOs.

Some excellent standards are being set, fixing the goal posts for all (see here). But other parts of the world cannot hope to reach them in the near future. For these, WFPI must address the here and now, supporting research, publication & piloting of innovative, task-shifting techniques per pathology - FASH for TB, renal for hydronephrosis, head for hydrocephalus, IVC for dehydration - and building up e-education tools and teaching expertise.

Changes at the top

Dr. Ines Boechat’s term as WFPI’s first President is drawing to a close, but she will stay on the Council and remain forever our Founding President. WFPI is the result of her vision - and immense hard work!

Dr. Veronica Donoghue (ESPR) will be welcomed to the WFPI Presidency in June 2015, with SLARP assuming the Vice President’s mantle - nominee to be announced.

Bylaws

A further revision of our bylaws is about to be circulated to our member organizations for their e-vote. The main change proposed: a new, non-voting “Associate Member” category for radiology organizations with pediatric special interest groups and organizations for all professions related to medical imaging who are looking to help WFPI fulfill its mission. Results of the ballot at our ...

... Next Annual Meeting

... A pause to introduce AOSPR members Drs. Timothy Cain and Wendy Lam who steer the background efforts entailed in bylaws drafting and shaping our governing bodies. Vital work!

Places to be

Organizing events? Contact us. See what’s coming up - click here

Think of us!

Hooking up with radiology communities overseas? At meetings with a global lean? Be a WFPI ambassador, share our existence and our work. Contact us for material you may need.

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