**IDoR 2015**

Aiming to create “the best radiology reference available, for free, forever and for all”, many of you are probably familiar with Radiopaedia.org. Radiopaedia’s Facebook and Twitter following stands at 371k and 15.3k people respectively. In the run up to the International Day of Radiology (IDoR) on Nov 8th, 2015, WFPI and Radiopaedia are teaming up to host a selection of 20 interesting pediatric cases from around the world and highlight them on Radiopaedia’s outlets in addition to our own website and social media channels.

**We must do more! Impacting the diagnosis of Childhood TB**

A lot can be said and written about federating physicians worldwide but here is an immediate and practical reason to do it: through WFPI, we can gather the world’s childhood TB imaging experts in one place, optimizing the help they can provide.

While progress on development of simpler diagnostic tools for childhood TB remains slow, imaging still plays an important role – if reliable interpretation is at hand. Which it frequently is not. Apart from the illness and death this dearth of resources generates, a kiss of affection becomes a kiss of infection; undiagnosed, untreated children with TB perpetuate the cycle. We must do our bit to break it; TB experts around the world are rallying to the cause.

**Fame & fortune...**

More IDoR contests: US $100 for the best photo or short video on any pediatric imaging topic you want, plus dissemination via the official IDoR site on Nov 8th. **More...**

**Toolkit:** need a leg-up to get IDoR activities going? **SEE HERE** – posters, press releases, a proclamation letter and more.

**Free IDOR Pediatric Imaging book**

Due online soon: the **IDoR pediatric imaging book** (global topics & authors) on behalf of the ESPR. Watch our site, Facebook and Twitter for news.

**WHO book on Radiation risks**

Three years in the making, WHO also hopes to launch its Tool for Radiation Risk Communication to Support Risk /Benefit Dialogue in Pediatric Imaging on IDoR.


**NEXT STEP:** Penetrate TB networks in Latin America, Africa and Asia through every channel we can. **We are on a mission. Support us, seize all opportunities to spread the word!**

**PROJECT FUNDING:** a universal challenge, and we can provide some help. If you have a WFPI-aligned educational or outreach project and you need a little cash to oil the wheels, we have US$ 5k to allocate (to one project or between several) - applications closed Dec. 15th 2015. **SEE HERE**
Congress past and present

Our grateful thanks to Dr. Michael Riccabona, President of ESPR’s congress in Graz, Austria last June, who extended a warm welcome to WFPI. We held our Annual Members Meeting (online & onsite) alongside leadership meetings and a series of program sessions on education and global challenges. The future of pediatric radiology was a recurring theme as it was noted that in both Europe and around the world pediatric radiologist numbers, accredited training programs and dedicated facilities are in decline. Counter measures must be deployed! SEE HERE for WFPI’s Annual President & Treasurer’s Report, delivered in Graz.

Ines Boechat, WFPI's Founding President, steps down. Ines, from us all: THANK YOU for your vision, courage, determination and leadership.

It makes the world a little smaller and more cohesive

We like to describe WFPI’s outreach as the “octopus effect”. We network with other organizations, complementing what they do and ensuring left hand coordinates with right (when we can - always a challenge, in medical aid work...)

The combined efforts of several organizations in support of Laos Friends Hospital for Children (LFHC - click here), a brand new hospital set up and supported by Friends Without a Border, is a great case in point. In May 2015, RAD-AID’s pediatric lead for Asia, Dr. Michael Rieter, conducted a site assessment and introduced LFHC’s Executive Director, Dr. Cheri Nijssen-Jordan, to WFPI for tele-opinion support while the hospital builds up its own imaging team.

LFHC has submitted mostly chest radiographs and radiographs of skull, mandible, spine, leg, and abdomen and one head CT. The referrals have raised diverse clinical questions on infection, heart failure, beriberi, storage disease, TB, sellar tumor, dental abscess, thalassemia and acute abdomen. Responses have been found quick and useful in all cases. Most have provided validation for LFHC’s own diagnosis, others have offered additional ideas that were gratefully received.

In Dr. Nijssen-Jordan’s words: “Just knowing that we can call on an expert pediatric radiologist anywhere in the world is a relief to us. It makes the world a little smaller and more cohesive.”

Other outreach news

A WFPI visit to a Bustamante Children’s Hospital (BCH), Kingston Jamaica. “In resource-limited settings, the lack of fluoroscopy is not so uncommon, and pediatric radiologists can be in the forefront of helping these patients. If we think creatively and draw upon collective experience, perhaps overcoming challenges like these will not be so overwhelming” says Dr. Pamela Deaver-Ketwaroo. More...

Dr. Henrique Lederman is WFPI’s nomination as Latin American representative on a WHO-supported pneumonia vaccine trial workshop run by John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and Murdoch Children’s Research Institute in Melbourne. More....