From the Chair

It has been a very busy spring for the department. In our last issue we reported on our participation at the ARRS meeting and in this month's issue we provide an update on our activity at the annual meeting of the Association of University Radiologists. We also have a report from Pediatric Radiology on their accomplishments at the Society for Pediatric Radiology meeting. William Ball, MD, was the recipient of the prestigious Gold Medal from the American Society of Pediatric Neuroradiology. I am pleased to announce our new website is on-line. Please make a visit to med.uc.edu/radiology/.

Graduation was very exciting as we sent the senior residents and fellows off to the next phase of their career and we acknowledged faculty and residents with the annual teaching awards. I also want to acknowledge the clinical staff at the MAB Imaging Center, the 3T MR and the Varsity Village Imaging Center for their excellent service. UC Physicians recently completed a pilot patient satisfaction survey and Radiology scored the highest of the three departments participating in the pilot.

Radiology Scores High in Patient Survey

High Satisfaction Across the Board Acknowledges Staff Efforts

As part of its commitment to quality patient care, UC Physicians (UCP) contracted with Cooper Research to conduct a pilot patient satisfaction survey and provided them a list of over 3,400 recent patients. Cooper randomly selected 450 patients—150 from each of the three participating departments. A total of 150 telephone interviews were completed, including 50 for Radiology from the MAB Imaging Center and the Varsity Village Imaging Center. The interview consisted of nine close-ended and three open-ended questions. The average interview length was around five minutes.

Across the board patients rated UCP highly for their satisfaction with their most recent visit. While scores may differ by cohort (i.e., gender and age), there generally were no significant differences. Radiology often received the highest scores. When patients were asked to rate their “overall quality of care” from 0 to 10 with 10 being the best, the mean score was 9.62, higher than the scores for the other two participating departments.

UCP Radiology wants to acknowledge the efforts of the staff at the MAB Imaging Center and the Varsity Village Imaging Center for their efforts to meet the needs of our patients.
Ball Receives Pediatric Neuroradiology Gold Medal

The 2009 recipient of the Gold Medal of the American Society of Pediatric Neuroradiology (ASPNR) is William S. Ball, Jr., MD. The award was presented at the 47th annual meeting of the American Society of Neuroradiology (ASNR), held in Vancouver, BC, May 18-21, 2009.

The Gold Medal is intended to foster the highest standards of the ASPNR, recognizing exceptional service and achievement. It is awarded on the basis of both professional and personal excellence, honoring superb pediatric neuroradiologists, scientists, and/or physicians, who also are truly outstanding people.

Dr. Ball was a founding member of the ASPNR in 1993, and served on the executive committee for two years. He is a former president of the ASNR, chief editor of the American Journal of Neuroradiology, and author/editor of the textbook “Pediatric Neuroradiology”. A former section chief of pediatric neuroradiology at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC), Dr. Ball served for eight years as chair of UC’s Department of Biomedical Engineering. He is recognized internationally for his expertise and research achievements in pediatric neuroradiology; as well as his outstanding educational skills. He has served as a mentor for multiple pediatric neuroradiologists and continues to be productive clinically and academically at CCHMC.

UC Has Strong Presence at Annual Meeting of Association of University Radiologists

UC Radiology was well represented at the 2009 Association of University Radiologists annual meeting, held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Virginia, May 12 through 15, 2009.

Jannette Collins, MD, MEd, FCCP, was very busy at this meeting:
- Scientific paper presentation –Radiology Faculty Compliance with Recommended Health Guidelines: Comparison with Residents
- ACER-APDR Session presentation –Clinician-Educator: Focus on Residents
- Medical Education Research Certificate (MERC) Workshop–Course Director
- Siemens AUR Radiology Resident Academic Development Program presentation–Becoming an Outstanding Teacher: Effective Case Conferences and Didactic Lectures
- AUR-Philips Academic Faculty Development Program presentation–Opportunities in Education
- Dr. Collins was also one of 30 candidates to participate in the 2009 AUR-Agfa Radiology Management Program.

POSTER PRESENTED
Jason Akbar, MD, presented a poster titled PACS Implementation at an Academic Institution: Experiences and Challenges from the Radiologist’s Perspective.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PARTICIPATION
Achal Vagal, MD was selected to participate in the AUR-Philips Academic Faculty Development Program, a one-day program, held during the AUR annual meeting, for junior radiology physician faculty members. The program is comprised of several presentations addressing such topics as: informatics in imaging; opportunities in education; how a chair can help your career; update of ABR, maintenance of certification; ethical issues and advice for publishing and peer review; funding opportunities through the RSNA; opportunities in research; and how to attain and maintain academic productivity.

SAVE THE DATE
The 2009 Schwinger Lecture will be held on October 29th. This year’s Schwinger Lecturer will be Maria A. Ceo, Chief Department Administrator for the University of Michigan Department of Radiology.

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The Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC) Radiology Department was well represented at the 2009 Society for Pediatric Radiology meeting in Carlsbad, CA.

Accomplishments include:
- 15 scientific paper presentations by CCHMC faculty/fellows (highest number of any institution).
- 43 overall presentations including workshops, papers, educational sessions, posters (highest number of any institution).
- Caffey Award for Outstanding Clinical Research Paper “Improving Patient Safety–Effects of a Safety Program on Performance and Culture in a Department of Radiology at a Children’s Hospital.” Lane F. Donnelly, Julie M. Dickerson, Martha A. Goodfriend, Stephen E. Muething
- Caffey Committee–Special Commendation “CT Radiation Safety in Children: A National Web-Based Practice Quality Improvement Program.” Marilyn J. Goske, Rebecca R. Phillips, Keith Mandel, Richard Gardner, Daniel McM Linden, Laurie Perry
- Singleton-Taybi Award for Lifetime Achievements in Education Lane F. Donnelly
- 2009-2010 Society of Pediatric Radiology President Neil D. Johnson
Visit Our New Website

With help from UC Academic Health Center Public Relations and UCIT IRC Software Development, UC Radiology has launched a new Web site. The new design updates the look of the Web site to be consistent with the College of Medicine. Please take a few minutes to visit and explore the site at med.uc.edu/radiology or ucradiology.com and make it one of your favorites.

Teaching Excellence Award Recipients Named

Each year UC Radiology recognizes our best teachers through a number of awards. This year’s honorees include:

**Harold B. Spitz Award**
The Harold B. Spitz Award is presented to the faculty member selected by the residents as the best teacher. The 2009 recipient is Thomas Tomsick, MD.

**Ben Felson Resident Teaching Award**
The resident teaching award is determined by medical student vote. The 2009 Ben Felson Resident Teaching Award recipient is C. Mathew Hawkins, MD.

**Ben Felson Faculty Medical Student Teaching Award**
The 2009 Ben Felson Faculty Medical Student Teaching Award recipients are Cris Meyer, MD, Jonathon Moulton, MD and Austin Wand, MD.

**RSNA Roentgen Resident Research Award**
Ario Rezaei, MD, is a 2009 recipient of the RSNA Roentgen Resident Research Award. The RSNA Roentgen Resident Research Award is provided through the RSNA Research and Education Foundation. The residency program director nominates a resident who has conducted or participated meaningfully in research during the academic year. For more information about this award or how to support the RSNA Research and Education Foundation, visit www.rsna.org/research/foundation/roentgenfellow.html.

UC Radiology congratulates Dr. Rezaei on his selection as a RSNA Roentgen Resident Research award winner.

**ACR Resident and Fellows Section**
C. Mathew Hawkins, MD, was selected by the Education Committee to attend the 2009 Resident and Fellows Section meeting in Washington, DC, where he participated in forums on Capitol Hill with Ohio legislators and RADPAC to discuss issues of healthcare reform. Dr. Hawkins felt this was an excellent opportunity for residents to get involved with ACR activities and hopes to participate again next year with a second UC Radiology resident.

**Chen Passes Oral Boards**
Congratulations to Irene Chen, PhD, on passing her oral boards in medical physics. Dr. Chen earned her PhD at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Dr. Chen joined UC in 2007 and is involved in the graduate medical physics program, supporting our clinical medical physics program and participating in research activities in the department. Her areas of interest include MRS, chemical shift imaging and clinical MR applications. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Chen on this achievement.

June Resident Graduation

Congratulations and continued future success to our fellows and residents (pictured above and listed below) who graduated in June.

- Hunter Boshell, MD  
  *University of Cincinnati*, IR Fellowship
- Lori Halton, MD  
  *University of Cincinnati*, Breast Imaging Fellowship
- Matthew Fox, MD  
  *Private Practice, Israel*
- Kenneth Hebert, MD  
  *University of Cincinnati*, Neuroradiology Fellowship
- Louis McAdory, MD  
  *University of Washington*, Neuroradiology Fellowship
- Ario Rezaei, MD  
  *University of Cincinnati*, IR Fellowship
- Scott Tomsick  
  *University of Colorado* Health Sciences, Musculoskeletal Fellowship

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PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS


Monene Kamm was recently appointed to the American College of Radiology Imaging Network (ACRIN) Research Associate Executive Committee. Monene has served on the ACRIN Research Associate Mentoring sub-committee for 3 years.


Rhonda Strunk, RT (R)(CT) presented CTA and 3D Post-processing at the Annual Meeting of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists meeting April 17, 2009 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Rob Wissman, MD spoke to the Greater Cincinnati Radiological Society on March 26, 2009. The topic of his presentation was ‘The Dislocated Knee.’

Jannette Collins, MD, MEd, FCCP, spoke to the Greater Cincinnati Radiological Society on May 20, 2009. The topic of her presentation was ‘CT Patterns of Lung Disease.’

Dr. Collins’ opening presentation from RSNA 2008, Life Long Learning in the 21st Century and Beyond, has been added to the virtual annual meeting at http://www.rsna.org/virtual2008.cfm.

American College of Radiology has appointed Mary Mahoney, MD, the Vice Chair of The Joint Committee on Practice Guidelines and Technical Standards, and Appropriateness Criteria of the Commission on Breast Imaging.

Mary Mahoney, MD presented Breast MRI for SenoRx, Inc. in Cincinnati, Ohio on May 13, 2009.

Ray Morton, UH Radiology’s Medical Physicist has been selected as one of five Hospital Heroes for 2009. The Hospital Hero Award is the highest award UH uses to recognize its team members, including physicians.

Susan E. Sharp, MD is the recipient of the 2009 Pediatric Imaging Council Young Investigator Award from Society of Nuclear Medicine.


Mary Mahoney, MD, and Cristopher Meyer, MD, were invited lecturers at the Tennessee Radiological Society Annual Meeting on May 7-8, 2009. Dr. Mahoney presented Stereotactic Breast Biopsy, Indications for Breast MRI, Mammographic Image Quality, Masses, Distortions, and Asymmetries and Breast Ultrasound. Dr. Meyer presented HRCT of Interstitial Lung Disease: A Primer, Cardiac CTA: A Primer, Optimizing Cardiac CT in the Difficult Patient and Cardiavascular Findings on Non-contrast Chest CT.