



SINGAPORE RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM HONORARY SECRETARY

Dear fellow Members,

It has been an eventful start to 2018 with 6 months whizzed by. Many thanks to all of you who have made the society events successful by taking time to support these events with your presence and hard work! In this edition, we will hear from Gavin sharing from his youth club meeting in Korea as our SRS representative. Our first social event of the year saw the coming together of radiologists, nuclear medicine physicians, radiation oncologists with a senior partner from Dentons Rodyk as we dived deep into the issues and risks faced by practising radiologists today over some fine whiskey. This was followed by the society annual general meeting in end March which saw a healthy discussion on moving the society forward and election of the new executive committee for 2018-2019. Another notable event was the formation of our newly minted AI subsection, lead by Asst Prof Steven Wong and Dr Charlene Liew which no doubt will generate a lot of buzz in the coming years as we look with unabated breath the disruptive influence of AI. In May, we witnessed another record turnout for our society ASM, Radiology Asia. In this hugely successful edition, we saw an excellent turnout as we were joined by delegates from around the region and beyond. We hope in this year to continue to engage our members with an eventful society social calendar. Looking forward to seeing you at the upcoming society events for the year!



Regards
Dr Francis Ho
Honorary Secretary (2018–2019)

THE 3rd AOSR YOUTH CLUB MEETING 2017

I was given the honour of representing the Singapore Radiological Society for the Asian Oceanian School of Radiology (AOSR) 2017 Youth Club meeting, held from the 9th to 12th of November, in Seoul, Korea.

(Relatively) young radiologists from Singapore, Australia, Malaysia, Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, China, Maldives and Indonesia were invited to attend this annual event, which was graciously hosted by the Korean Society of Radiology.



Dr Gavin Lim - 3rd from left in 1st row

Rather than a conference style / academic event, the Youth Club gives participants a chance to meet with their international counterparts in an informal get-together. It was a chance to take a short break from work, meet new people in a foreign land, and gain new insights on the differences and similarities in culture as well as the radiology practice around the region. Participants were also privileged to receive teachings and counsel from senior and established radiologists, revealing the inner workings and hierarchy of radiology societies. Highlights of the meeting included valuable lessons on radiological society leadership, managing the society's finances, and how to organize and lead a

team to produce a successful regional or international conference.

No event in Korea would be complete without Korean BBQ dinners and soju bombs (shots of whiskey dunked in a pint of beer). Our Korean hosts were nothing short of amazing, and at the end of each day, it was pleasant to see everyone let their hair down and enjoy a good meal with good food and drink and great company. If there is one life lesson to take back from this meeting, it is to never underestimate the alcohol tolerance of Korean radiologists.

Over three days, many new connections were made and many new friendships were forged. The education we received during the Youth Club meeting cannot be found in text books or journals, but came from the sheer immense experience of our senior radiologists.

The SRS looks forward to sending our next "young" radiologist to Youth Club 2018.

Dr Gavin Lim

SRS Youth Club Representative 2017



Dr Gavin Lim - 1st from left in 2nd row

WHISKY APPRECIATION NIGHT CUM MEDICOLEGAL TALK

13 March 2018

Law and whiskey may seem like a really odd couple, but that's what we put together on this occasion. The topic of medico legal issues in radiology seemed a little too dry so we decided to spice things up a bit by adding a dash of alcohol to the mix, and it turned out pretty fine! This took place in a relatively undiscovered venue called Kilter Avenue in town. We were joined by Mr Melvin See, who is a senior partner at Denton Rodyks, specialising in litigation and dispute resolution. He has a wealth of experience in medical malpractice defence, having acted for local medical specialists, and appeared before Singapore Medical Council Disciplinary Tribunal on numerous occasions. He also regularly volunteers at legal clinics as part of his commitment to pro bono work. On this occasion, he had kindly volunteered to lead us for an educational session on the risks of the practising radiologist/nuclear physician/radiation oncologist. If you actually find him familiar, that's likely because you have met him at one of our previous events as he is the spouse of Dr Winnie Lam, a nuclear medicine physician who is one of our very own. As Melvin shared and explained how "low risk did not mean no risk", what started as a talk eventually evolved into a healthy discussion on the finer aspects of medical practice, including the hot topic of modified Montgomery and it's application. I think one key message we took away from it was that it was important to manage expectations of both the patient and of our clinical counterparts in a tricky territory of medical malpractice. As the night wore on, the mood lightened as we moved on to the Macallan whisky appreciation. As a start we were given a few 12 year old whiskies to better appreciate the individual strengths of the different flavours including sherry oak and double cask. The star of the night was undoubtedly the 15 year old whisky aged in fine oak casks which left a lasting impression in many who tried it, with its sublime full aroma which is just as intense on the palate with a hint of cinnamon and rose. The night ended well, with our thirst for both medico-legal knowledge and erm, whisky quenched.

Dr Balamurugan A Vellayappan & Dr Francis Ho
Co-organisers, SRS Whiskey appreciation night 2018



Mr Melvin See (left photo)

FORMATION OF AI SUBSECTION SRS

The year 2018 will be a watershed year in our memories, because when we look back many years from now, we will remember it as the defining moment in our careers : it will either be a year that we will recall upon fondly as the time when we rose to the occasion, united, as one body of radiologists, and said “we will go boldly into this new age of Radiology” or we will have perished as a discipline of medicine.

This is a clarion call to all radiologists, to rise to the moment, to embrace this fundamental technology and to take our place of leadership and history in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence in Medicine. The leap to augmented radiology is essential to move Radiology forward in the world of precision, personalised and targeted medicine. This is a journey that we must join in with the rest of our medical fraternity.

RADII stands for Radiology AI, Deep Learning, Data Science, and Imaging Informatics. It is a subsection of the Singapore Radiological Society, and is supported by the College of Radiologists, Singapore.

Our mission is to focus and facilitate the development of AI in Singapore Radiology, for the benefit of Patients, Radiologists and the Nation.

Radiologists in Singapore shall:

- Act as a HUB to facilitate AI progress in Radiology
- Create Education and Training initiatives for AI in Medicine
- Foster Research Partnerships developing AI for indigenous needs
- Identify partners to support AI application development, platform building and implementation: “Translating Ideas into Action”
- Ensure Quality and Beneficence through best practices and guidelines throughout the development, integration and implementation cycle

Yours Faithfully,

Dr. Charlene J. Liew

Vice-Chair

On behalf of the Exco of the SRS RADII subsection

UPCOMING EVENTS

Local Conferences / Events

RadioPath 2018

14 - 15 July 2018 | NUHS

<http://medicine.nus.edu.sg//meddnr/radiopath2018.html>

MRI Breast Course with MRI Guided Biopsy Workshop

14 - 15 December 2018 | Holiday Inn Orchard

Click to [register](#)

Overseas Conferences / Events

Asia-Pacific Association of Image-guided Therapy in Oncology (APAITO 2018)

22 - 24 June 2018 | Hong Kong

<http://www.apaito2018.com/>



Diagnostic Radiology MCQ Exams: Question writers needed. This is an open call for radiologists involved in teaching and education: There is a shortage of item-writers: our community needs help to write questions (training will be provided). As you know, Radiologists contribute to patient care best if our community participate in appropriate education and assessment.

If you feel you can contribute, please contact Prof Tchoyoson Lim at tchoyoson_lim@nni.com.sg.

Your service will be appreciated! Thank you

Coming Up Next...



Following up from last year's successful movie night, we have heard your feedback for an encore. Sign up now by sending an email to admin@srs.org.sg to reserve your tickets !

In the next coming Newsletter, keep a look out for exciting updates on our recently concluded edition of Radiology Asia 2018, special feature on "Lifetime Achievement Award 2018" for Dr Robert Kwok and SRS ASM 2019 news.

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