FROM THE STR PRESIDENT:

Dear STR Members:

THE ANNUAL STR MEETING has been successfully completed, and we are in the dog days of summer. However, the STR Officers and Committees are still focused on furthering the mission and vision of the STR. We are engaged with our national and international colleagues in numerous issues including lung cancer screening, increased intersocietal co-operation and preparation for the Fourth World Congress of Thoracic Imaging to be held in Boston in 2017 under the presidency of Dr. Theresa McLoud.

Lung cancer screening has been a topic of interest and controversy recently. The STR and its members have been actively engaged in the debate and formulating and directing policy. I would like to take this opportunity to bring to your attention the recent posting of the American College of Radiology’s (ACR) Lung Imaging Reporting and Data System (Lung-RADS®) online at http://www.acr.org/Quality-Safety/Resources/LungRADS. Lung-RADS was produced by the ACR Lung Cancer Screening Committee subgroup on Lung-RADS. This effort was led

“Take risks in your life. If you win, you can lead. If you loose, you can guide.”
~ Swami Vivekananda
by the STR Past President Dr. Ella Kazerooni and included strong representation from STR membership. Lung-RADS includes assessment categories and management recommendations for screen-detected lung nodules and is designed to facilitate standardization of screening practice and communication of results. Additionally, in the purview of leading, inspiring and guiding cardiothoracic imaging nationally and internationally, members of the STR have also been involved in other collaborative work with the ACR. The “STR-ACR Practice Parameter for the Performance and Reporting of Lung Cancer Screening Thoracic Computed Tomography 2014” has recently been published online in the Journal Of Thoracic Imaging.

The STR has also been invited to collaborate with ACR, SPR and NASCI on a new PET/CT Cardiac Imaging Parameter that will be developed for the 2016 cycle. Drs. Narainder Gupta and Greg Gladish will represent the STR. Furthermore, the STR has co-branded with the ACR and Fleischner Society to present HRCT courses nationally. Drs. David Naidich, David Lynch and Jeffrey Kanne are the course directors of the four three-day courses that will provide practicing radiologists with the skills and understanding necessary to interpret HRCT of the chest in diffuse infiltrative lung diseases.

At the end of July, Dr. Ann Leung and I represented the STR at the annual Intersociety Summer Conference (ISC) sponsored by the ACR with the topic of discussion being “Re-engineering the Radiology Enterprise.” With changes in market forces and societal expectations, it was clear that Radiology will need to transition from a volume-to value-based service that is more highly integrated in patient diagnostic and management pathways with overarching goal to improve outcomes.

Drs. Mark Schiebler and Gautham Reddy have, as co-chairs of the Intersociety/Global Relations Committee, fostered and encouraged communication and interchange among the international radiological societies. In this regard, the STR and the Korean Society of Thoracic Radiology (KSTR) have signed an agreement that commits to a five-year period of collaboration in scientific and educational pursuits to promote excellence in thoracic imaging. This agreement to develop common activities, especially in the fields of education, lung cancer screening and global outreach can serve as a template for future collaborations. Hopefully, agreements to cooperate will also be reached with the Japanese Society of Thoracic Radiology (JSTR) and Royal Australian and New Zealand
College of Radiologists (RANZCR). Importantly, collaboration with the European Society of Thoracic Radiology remains robust. Drs. Eric Stern and Santiago Rossi were the STR representatives at the ESTI annual meeting in Amsterdam in June 2014 and their interactive talks on sarcoidosis and collagen vascular diseases were well received. The STR will contribute to the educational program of the International Workshop for Pulmonary Functional Imaging (IWPFI) seventh annual meeting to be held in Edinburgh, Scotland in 2015. I will also have the privilege in September, along with Drs. Eric Stern and Ahmed El-Sherief, to represent the STR at the 28th International Congress of Radiology (ICR) to be held in Dubai.

Lastly, I hope you are enjoying the summer holidays. If during this time of relaxation and contemplation, you have any ideas or suggestions on how to improve and enhance the activities of the STR please do not hesitate to contact me, the Matrix Meetings staff, or any of the STR Officers or Committee Chairs.

Jeremy J. Erasmus, MD
STR President
I WOULD LIKE to bring to your attention the September 2014 issue of JTI, which features a state-of-the-art symposium devoted to “Quality and Safety in Cardiothoracic Imaging” that is expertly edited by Jeff Kanne, JTI senior editor. The goal of the symposium is to help readers to gain further insight into improving their practices through defining ways to add value to patient care through improved safety, quality improvement, and acting as advocates for patients with respect to the appropriate use of diagnostic imaging. The symposium is comprised of 4 articles, 2 of which are SA-CME offerings:

► MRI safety in cardiothoracic imaging, by Daniel Ocaziones and colleagues.
http://journals.lww.com/thoracicimaging/Fulltext/2014/09000/Magnetic_Resonance_Imaging_Safety_in.4.aspx

► Peer review in cardiothoracic radiology, by Jeff Kanne.
http://journals.lww.com/thoracicimaging/Fulltext/2014/09000/Peer_Review_in_Cardiothoracic_Radiology.5.aspx

► Cardiothoracic imaging guidelines in quality improvement, by Jacobo Kirsch and Daniel Vargas.

► Professionalism in radiology, by Ann Leung.
http://journals.lww.com/thoracicimaging/Fulltext/2014/09000/Professionalism_in_Radiology.7.aspx

This issue also includes several features related to lung cancer screening, including an editorial entitled “Lung cancer screening: narrowing the gaps,” an original research article entitled “Computed tomography screening for lung cancer: a survey of Society of Thoracic Radiology members,” and the recently released “ACR–STR practice parameter for the performance of and reporting of low dose lung cancer screening thoracic Computed Tomography (CT).” These features are part of our ongoing effort to keep JTI readers apprised of the latest developments in lung cancer screening.

I am also pleased to announce the recent appointment of Mannu Kalra as a special consultant to the editor for CT imaging technology and physics. In this role, Mannu is developing a variety of exciting online and print journal content ranging from a new JTI blog series entitled “Radiation: rationem practicam” to a 4-part series entitled “ACR dose index registry: a user’s guide for cardiothoracic radiologists.” Look for these features and more from Mannu in the months ahead!
OVER THE YEARS, the Society of Thoracic Radiology has served as an excellent platform for researchers to conduct surveys amongst cardiothoracic radiologists across the nation and more recently worldwide. Last year in 2013, STR facilitated the dissemination of six surveys; this article provides follow-up on four of these surveys that have successfully resulted in a presentation or publication.

In July of 2013, a survey was conducted by Dr. Jeanne Ackman, Director of Thoracic MRI at Massachusetts General Hospital to better understand the “Current state of non-vascular MRI training, utilization, and perceived value.” There were a total of 190 of 693 possible respondents with a response rate of 27%. The survey was directed toward thoracic radiologists who are currently performing chest MR or feel its need in the future. The majority of survey respondents reported limited experience in thoracic MRI interpretation, a recognition of its value, and an interest in increasing MR utilization. Full survey results are available in the publication: Ackman JB, Wu CC, Halpern EF, et al. J Thorac Imaging 2014; July; 29: 252-7.

Drs. Ahmed El-Sherief and Charles Lau from Cleveland Clinic conducted a survey on the “Labeling of regional lymph node metastases in lung cancer” in July of 2013. This was an image-based survey to study how lung cancer specialists label and classify lymph nodes in the setting of lung cancer. In particular, adherence to the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer (IASLC) lymph node map was assessed. Focus was placed on lymph nodes for which an error in classification would have an impact on staging and thus management. A total of 158 survey responses from thoracic radiologists were collected. Approximately half of the thoracic radiologists surveyed indicated that they use the IASLC lymph node map. Inconsistencies were identified and quantified in the labeling and classification of lymph nodes in the paratracheal, precarinal, internal mammary and paracardiac regions. The authors have submitted their results for publication.
Dr. Jan Eberth from the University of South Carolina led a survey on “Adoption of low-dose computed tomography for lung cancer screening in the U.S.” in August 2013. This survey included questions on the availability and attributes of established screening programs and barriers to program development. The survey had a 26% response rate. Nearly 66% of respondents had an active screening program (n=54) and almost all those without active programs (n=28) were considering developing a program in the near future. Incomplete screening guidelines and lack of insurance coverage were the most frequently cited barriers to program implementation. For institutions with active programs, about 45% indicated they would only accept self-pay and 48% charged between $200-500 per screening. Survey results have been summarized in a manuscript that has been accepted by the Journal of Thoracic Imaging.

A survey on “Fibrotic lung diseases – interobserver agreement for HRCT patterns” was conducted by Dr. Simon Walsh from Royal Brompton Hospital between September and December of 2013. The survey was sent to members of 4 societies: European Society of Thoracic Radiology, STR, British Society of Thoracic Imaging and Korean Society of Thoracic Radiology. A total of 203 radiologists responded and 116 completed the study. Kappa values that measure observer agreement for honeycombing [0.59 ± 0.12], traction bronchiectasis [0.42 ± 0.15], and ATS/ERS HRCT criteria for UIP pattern [0.49 ± 0.12] were found. A presentation (A multicenter evaluation of observer agreement for HRCT Patterns of fibrosis in age stratified subgroups and its relevance to survival prediction) of limited survey results won the Best Presentation Prize by a junior member at the recent San Antonio STR meeting. A manuscript on complete survey results is ready for journal submission.
Dr. Ross Golden (September 30, 1889-January 10, 1975) was raised in Iowa the son of a Methodist minister. He attended Cornell College in his home state, and later graduated from Harvard Medical School. Dr. Golden interned at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, served in France in World War I, and then became one of the first radiology residents at the Massachusetts General Hospital. By 1929, he had become Director of the Radiological Service and Associate Professor of Medicine at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center.

Dr. Golden was an authority on the gastrointestinal tract. Among numerous accomplishments, he edited and contributed to *Diagnostic Roentgenology*, one of the first radiology reference texts and known as *Golden’s Diagnostic Roentgenology*. In 1925, Dr. Golden published a manuscript entitled “The Effect of Bronchostenosis Upon the Roentgen Ray Shadow in Carcinoma of the Bronchus.” Cases III and V of that paper describe central tumors that obstruct the right upper lobe bronchus and result in volume loss associated with upward and medial displacement of the minor fissure. The sharply defined inferior margin is convex inferiorly at the central mass and convex superiorly in the periphery, resembling a reverse S. The appearance was not given a name by Dr. Golden, but came to be known as the famous Golden S sign, and is also referred to as the reverse S sign of Golden. The classic appearance is typically shown on the PA radiograph in the setting of right upper lobe collapse; the “S” sign can also be seen on the lateral radiograph and on CT, as well as in cases of collapse of other lobes.


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Cardiothoracic Imaging Fellows
2014-2015

Stuart Lance Cohen
Birthplace | New York
Residency | Mount Sinai Medical Center, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Fellow, Musculoskeletal Radiology, Hospital for Special Surgery, Weill Cornell Medical College
Future Plans | Academic Radiology

Leila Rezai
Birthplace | Iran
Residency | Diagnostic Radiology, Northeast Ohio Medical University, Aultman Hospital/Mercy Medical Center
Future Plans | A career in an academic center

Karen Claudine Song
Birthplace | Jamaica, West Indies
Residency | Long Island Jewish Medical Center, New Hyde Park, New York
Future Plans | Clinical radiology

Maria Barile
Birthplace | New Haven, CT
Residency | Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

Magali Pham
Birthplace | Montréal, Quebec, Canada
Residency | Université de Montréal, Quebec, Canada
Cleveland Clinic

Camila Piza Purysko

**BIRTHPLACE |** Brazil  
**RESIDENCY |** Medimagem – Hospital Beneficencia Portuguesa – Sao Paulo/ Brazil  
**FUTURE PLANS |** MSK - next fellowship

Dalhousie University

Xiaoyi (David) Yu

**BIRTHPLACE |** Beijing, China  
**RESIDENCY |** PUMC Hospital in Beijing. Fellowship Training: PUMC Hospital in Beijing, Ohio State Medical Center and UPenn  
**FUTURE PLANS |** Undecided

David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

Ali Sabri

**BIRTHPLACE |** Tehran, Iran  
**RESIDENCY |** University of Kwazulu-Natal, Nelson Mandela Medical School, Radiology Department Durban, South Africa  
**FUTURE PLANS |** Working in an academic hospital or a community hospital with exposure to both general radiology and cardiothoracic imaging in Canada

Kathleen Laura Ruchalski

**BIRTHPLACE |** West Seneca, New York  
**RESIDENCY |** Radiology Residency, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Abdominal Imaging Fellowship, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA  
**FUTURE PLANS |** Pursue a career as an academic radiologist

Duke University Medical Center

Joseph G. Mammarappallil

**BIRTHPLACE |** Kerala, India  
**RESIDENCY |** Diagnostic Radiology, Department of Radiology, Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Winston Salem, NC  
**FUTURE PLANS |** Attending physician in a great academic radiology department somewhere in the US
Cardiothoracic Imaging Fellows 2014-2015

Neil D. Amin
BIRTHPLACE | St. Petersburg, FL
RESIDENCY | Diagnostic Radiology at Emory University, Atlanta, GA
FUTURE PLANS | Undecided

Scott Andrew Hamlin
BIRTHPLACE | Anderson, IN
RESIDENCY | Diagnostic Radiology at Emory University, Atlanta, GA
FUTURE PLANS | Pursue a job in academia or private practice

Chiemezie C. Amadi
BIRTHPLACE | London, England
RESIDENCY | Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh PA
FUTURE PLANS | Academic

Shaoxiong Zhang
BIRTHPLACE | P.R. China
RESIDENCY | St. Vincent’s Medical Center, CT
FUTURE PLANS | Academic radiology

Muntasir Hoque
BIRTHPLACE | London, England
RESIDENCY | Radiology residency (2009-13): Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, San Jose, CA.
Previous fellowship (2013-14): Musculoskeletal Radiology Fellowship, RadNet, Los Angeles, CA
FUTURE PLANS | Hope to primarily practice cardiothoracic imaging and intervention either in academics or private practice
Cardiothoracic Imaging Fellows 2014-2015

Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology

Daniel B. Green
BIRTHPLACE | Queens, NY
RESIDENCY | North Shore – Long Island Jewish Medical Center, Manhasset NY
FUTURE PLANS | Hospital-based practice in New York City

William Russell Johnson
BIRTHPLACE | Corinth, MS
RESIDENCY | Mid-South Imaging and Therapeutics, Memphis, TN
FUTURE PLANS | Private practice or academics

Saurabh Agarwal
BIRTHPLACE | Laramie, WY
RESIDENCY | Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology
FUTURE PLANS | Cardiothoracic Imaging in an academic setting

Adam Bernheim
BIRTHPLACE | Philadelphia, PA
RESIDENCY | Staten Island University Hospital
FUTURE PLANS | Cardiothoracic Radiology in an academic setting

Shaunagh McDermott
BIRTHPLACE | Galway, Ireland
RESIDENCY | St. Vincent’s University Hospital, Ireland
FUTURE PLANS | Thoracic Imaging in an academic setting
### Cardiothoracic Imaging Fellows 2014-2015

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<td>Charlottetown, PEI, Canada</td>
<td>McGill University</td>
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<td>Jaykumar Nair</td>
<td>Mumbai, India</td>
<td>Indira Gandhi Government Medical College</td>
<td>No plans as of yet. Possible research fellowship</td>
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<td>Chinar O. Lath</td>
<td>India</td>
<td>BYL Nair Hospital &amp; TN Medical College, Mumbai, India</td>
<td>Fellowship in Body Imaging at Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee</td>
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<td>Tilman Koelsch</td>
<td>Denver, CO</td>
<td>Maricopa Integrated Health System, Phoenix, AZ</td>
<td>Find a place to make a difference</td>
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<td>J. Caleb Richards</td>
<td>Nacogdoches, TX</td>
<td>University of Texas Medical School at Houston, Houston, TX</td>
<td>Academic practice</td>
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*Massachusetts General Hospital*  
*McGill University*  
*Medical College of Wisconsin*  
*National Jewish Health and University of Colorado Denver*
**Conor Murphy Lowry**  
**Birthplace:** Queens, NY  
**Residency:** Staten Island University Hospital, Staten Island, NY  
**Future Plans:** Teaching Hospital

**Matthew Ross Bentz**  
**Birthplace:** Chico, CA  
**Residency:** Residency at Oregon Health & Science University  
**Future Plans:** Plan to practice in the pacific northwest

**Michael A. Kadoch**  
**Birthplace:** Brooklyn, NY  
**Residency:** Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York, NY  
**Future Plans:** Additional fellowship training in cardiovascular imaging at Stanford to be followed by a career in academic cardiothoracic radiology

**Jo Yazer**  
**Birthplace:** Sydney, NS, Canada  
**Residency:** Radiology at Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Center, Dalhousie University  
**Future Plans:** To be determined

**Mohamed Aseem Mohamed Mahmoud Abdelrazek**  
**Birthplace:** Kuwait  
**Residency:** Radiology residency – Cairo University, Egypt  
**Future Plans:** A Career in academic centre in Cardio-Thoracic Imaging
Maha Ahmed Al Dajani
**Birthplace:** Dhahran - Saudi Arabia
**Residency:** Saudi Commission For Health Speciality, Saudi Arabia
**Future Plans:** To go back to Saudi Arabia and establish a unique thoracic imaging section in our department

Fabricio de Oliveira Cyrineu
**Birthplace:** São Paulo, Brazil
**Residency:** Albert Einstein Hospital, São Paulo, Brazil
**Future Plans:** Plan to work as a thoracic radiology in an academic center

Nasser F. Alamri
**Birthplace:** Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
**Residency:** King Abdulaziz Medical City in Riyadh, 2012
Cardiothoracic Research Fellowship in University of Toronto. Toronto General Hospital 2013
Clinical Fellowship in Thoracic Imaging. University of Toronto. Toronto General Hospital 2014
**Future Plans:** I will work in King Fahad Specialist Hospital in Dammam KSA as cardiothoracic radiologist

Anita Ghali
**Birthplace:** Hyderabad, India
**Residency:** Hyderabad, India, CCT – London, UK
**Future Plans:** 1st option: Looking for a staff placement as cardio-thoracic radiologist in a Canadian academic centre.
2nd option: Consultant Radiologist in UK teaching Hospital

Lan-Chau Thi Kha
**Birthplace:** Vietnam
**Residency:** Diagnostic radiology residency at the University of Manitoba, MB, Canada; Clinical Fellowship in Thoracic Imaging. University of Toronto. Toronto General Hospital
**Future Plans:** Academic Cardiothoracic Radiology
David N. Simmons
**Birthplace** | Flint, Michigan  
**Residency** | Internship – St. Vincent’s East Family Medicine Residency, Birmingham, AL, Residency – Diagnostic Radiology at Baptist Health Systems, Birmingham, AL  
**Future Plans** | Private practice in the southeast

Anoosh Montaser
**Birthplace** | Tehran, Iran  
**Residency** | Aultman/NEOUCOM Radiology Residency Program  
**Future Plans** | Academic/private practice/teleradiology

Joshua David Clayton
**Birthplace** | Springfield, MO  
**Residency** | Diagnostic Radiology at Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia, PA  
**Future Plans** | Undecided

Brian Mitchell Haas
**Birthplace** | Worcester, MA  
**Residency** | Yale-New Haven Hospital  
**Future Plans** | Clinical radiology with research and teaching

Cihan Duran
**Birthplace** | Sivas, Turkey  
**Residency** | Istanbul University Cerrahpasa Medical Faculty Radiology Department (1989-1994) Istanbul, Turkey  
Fellowship: Baylor College of Medicine St. Luke’s Episcopal Hospital Cardiac MR (2013-2014) Houston, TX. Appointed as a clinical fellow at University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Musculoskeletal Imaging (2015-2016)  
**Future Plans** | Complete alternate pathway to be board eligible and work in an academic center.
Matthew Deng
BIRTHPLACE | Charlottesville, VA
RESIDENCY | Aultman/Mery/NEOMED Radiology Program; Canton, OH
FUTURE PLANS | Undecided as the type of practice but would like to move either down south or Midwest

Asha Kandathil
BIRTHPLACE | India
RESIDENCY | Christian Medical College, Vellore, India and ABR IMG alternate pathway, University of Michigan
FUTURE PLANS | Practice hybrid PET/CT and MR imaging of the chest and abdomen

Mohamed Mohamed Helmy Sayyouh
BIRTHPLACE | Pennsylvania, USA
RESIDENCY | National Cancer Institute, Cairo, Egypt
FUTURE PLANS | Academic Thoracic Radiology

Tony Hany Fattouch
BIRTHPLACE | Lewiston, NY
RESIDENCY | University of South Florida, Tampa FL
FUTURE PLANS | Moving to the Cincinnati, OH area and currently looking for a job in that region
Jitesh Ahuja
BIRTHPLACE | New Delhi, India
RESIDENCY | All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India
FUTURE PLANS | Academic cardiothoracic radiology

Sherif F. Osman
BIRTHPLACE | Cairo, Egypt
RESIDENCY | Faculty of Medicine, Cairo University, Egypt, and five years of fellowship training in different radiology specialties in the United States
FUTURE PLANS | Pursue a career in chest imaging, either in an academic setting or private practice
Dear STR Members,

As you know, it has become a tradition for the annual STR course to be preceded by a 1-day symposium, most recently the Quantitative CT Symposium at the 2014 meeting.

For the upcoming 2015 meeting, I am delighted to announce that the society will sponsor a multidisciplinary symposium entitled “The Essentials of CT Screening for Lung Cancer” on Saturday, March 14, 2015, at the spectacular Park Hyatt Aviara Resort in Carlsbad, California.

This timely course has been thoughtfully developed by co-directors Deni Aberle, Caroline Chiles, and David Lynch. It is designed to facilitate the ability of attendees to successfully set up and implement a multidisciplinary screening program using a standardized, evidence-based approach. The course will also serve as a forum for sharing perspectives and identifying future directions for CT screening with a diverse group of key stakeholders.
In addition to an outstanding group of STR faculty members, I am pleased to announce the participation of the following featured guest speakers:

- Bonnie Addario, Founder and Chair, Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation
  *Lung Cancer: A Patient’s Perspective*

- Jonathan Samet, MD, Professor of Preventive Medicine, USC
  *CT Screening for Lung Cancer – Smoking Cessation Options*

- Gerard Silvestri, MD, Professor of Pulmonary Medicine, Medical University of SC Charleston
  *CT Screening for Lung Cancer: A Pulmonologist’s Perspective*

- Ian Smith, MD, Associate Professor of Pulmonary Medicine, UCLA
  *Screening Conversations: from Shared Decision Making to Results and Management Options*

- Martin Tammemagi, PhD, Professor of Epidemiology, Brock University
  *Patient eligibility – Current Guidelines and Future Directions*

- Karol Watson, MD, Professor of Cardiology, UCLA
  *CT Screening for Lung Cancer: A Cardiologist’s Perspective*

- Doug Wood, MD, Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery, University of Washington-Seattle
  *CT Screening for Lung Cancer: A Thoracic Surgeon’s Perspective*

A special reduced registration fee of $100 has been created for STR members who are also registered for the 2015 annual course. This fee also covers a special luncheon program devoted to “Patient-Centered Screening.” Registration information will be available online at the STR website in September.

I hope that you will be able to join us for this exciting and timely educational event!

Best,

Phil Boiselle, MD
President-Elect, STR
The STR 2015 Annual meeting will be held on March 15-18, 2015 at the spectacular Park Hyatt Aviara Resort in Carlsbad, California. Located just north of San Diego, this casually elegant resort is secluded amidst 200 acres of verdant hillsides and valleys, with views of the Pacific ocean and an adjacent wildlife sanctuary.

In addition to providing state-of-the-art conference facilities, this 5-diamond resort offers spacious guestrooms with private balconies that overlook the ocean, lush gardens, or golf course.

Recreational opportunities abound, including tennis, golf, a state-of-the-art fitness center and spa, and beach butler service. Listed in Travel + Leisure as one of the world's best hotels, it was also rated as the best golf resort in San Diego by Golf Digest in 2012.

Be sure to bring your spouse and family members to enjoy all that the resort and the adjacent Carlsbad, La Jolla, and San Diego communities have to offer.
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Course Dates
January 22–24
April 24–26
July 18–20
October 16–18

Course Directors:
David Naidich, MD, FACR
New York University — Langone Medical Center

David Lynch, MB, ChB
National Jewish Hospital, Denver, CO

Jeffrey Kanne, MD
University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health

Course Overview
This three-day course, led by Course Directors David Naidich, MD, FACR; David Lynch, MB, ChB; and Jeffrey Kanne, MD; is designed to provide practicing radiologists with the skills and understanding necessary to interpret high resolution CT of the chest in diffuse infiltrative lung diseases. During the program, participants will receive lectures on specific aspects of HRCT interspersed with hands-on interpretation of related cases. Faculty will provide direct supervision and assistance. The integration of clinical, radiologic and pathologic information will also be discussed.

Target Audience
General radiologists and/or non-thoracic imaging fellowship-trained radiologists that are called upon to interpret HRCT studies in their practice.

Program Objectives
At the conclusion of this course, participants will be able to:

• State the clinical indications and optimal approach for high resolution imaging of the lung parenchyma
• Utilize approach to CT differential diagnosis based on pattern and distribution of abnormality
• Recognize clinical features of the common interstitial lung diseases
• Describe the importance and mechanism of multidisciplinary consultation in diagnosis of interstitial lung disease

Attendees who complete a minimum of 100 cases will be awarded a Certificate of Proficiency stating they meet the Maintenance of Competence case requirement as specified in the ACR Practice Guidelines for the Performance of High Resolution Computed Tomography (HRCT) of the Lungs in Adults.

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HRCT Course
October 16-18

Day 1
Night Before
6:00 p.m. Workstation Refresher Session
7:30 p.m. ACR Education Center Closes
7:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m. Introduction: CT Technique, Anatomy and Dose
8:30 a.m. Pattern Based Approach — Nodules
9:00 a.m. Workstation Introduction
9:15 a.m. Supervised Case Review #1
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Idiopathic Interstitial Pneumonias
11:00 a.m. Supervised Case Review #2
11:15 a.m. Collagen Vascular Disease
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Supervised Case Review #3
1:00 p.m. Nodular Lung Diseases
1:45 p.m. Supervised Case Review #4
2:00 p.m. Consolidating Lung Diseases
2:45 p.m. Break
3:00 p.m. Cystic Lung Diseases and Empysema
3:30 p.m. Supervised Case Review #5
5:30 p.m. Cocktail Reception
6:00 p.m. Optional Time for Self Review of Cases
10:00 p.m. ACR Education Center Closes
7:00 a.m. Optional Time for Self Review of Cases
8:00 a.m. Large Airways Disease
8:30 a.m. Supervised Case Review #6
9:30 a.m. Small Airways Disease
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Supervised Case Review #7
11:00 a.m. Pulmonary Hypertension and Vasculitis
11:30 a.m. Supervised Case Review #8
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Supervised Case Review #9
2:00 p.m. Break
3:00 p.m. Supervised Case Review #10
5:30 p.m. Break
6:00 p.m. Optional Time for Self Review of Cases
10:00 p.m. ACR Education Center Closes
7:00 a.m. Optional Time for Self Review of Cases
8:00 a.m. Clinical Radiologic-Pathologic Correlation
9:00 a.m. Panel Cases
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Supervised Case Review #11
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Supervised Case Review #12
3:00 p.m. Course Concludes
Lectures are in bold

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