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To keep you informed about its current activities, the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) will be distributing brief quarterly updates. For more information about any of these activities or to interview a spokesperson, contact RSNA Media Relations staff.

RSNA 2016

RSNA’s 102nd Scientific Assembly and Annual Meeting was held Nov. 27 — Dec. 2, 2016, at McCormick Place Chicago. Official registration figures for RSNA 2016 reported total registrant numbers at 54,037, including 26,988 professional registrants.

The RSNA 2016 Virtual Meeting offered attendees on-demand access to dozens of sessions from RSNA 2016, as well as Cases of the Day, digital education exhibits sand scientific posters. The virtual meeting attracted 5,645 attendees from 98 countries.

Curtis P. Langlotz, M.D., Ph.D., was named to the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) Board of Directors during RSNA 2016. Dr. Langlotz, a renowned imaging informatics leader and committed advocate for improved radiology reports, joins the RSNA board as the liaison for information technology and annual meeting.

RSNA 2017 Abstract Submission Open

More than 400 Travel Awards will be available for young investigators attending RSNA 2017. The program, introduced in 2016, awards $500 to eligible presenters to help defray costs of attending the RSNA annual meeting. The deadline for submitting abstracts for RSNA 2017 is April 12.

Radiology Editor Selected

David A. Bluemke, M.D., Ph.D., will succeed Herbert Y. Kressel, M.D., as Radiology editor in 2018. Dr. Bluemke is the radiologist-in-chief of Radiology and Imaging Sciences at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Clinical Center and senior investigator at the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB) in Bethesda, Md. He also is adjunct investigator for the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI). Effective July 1, 2017, Dr. Bluemke will become professor of radiology in the Department of Radiology at the University of Wisconsin–Madison School of Medicine and Public Health (UW–Madison).

Building on Success in Latin America
Building on the success of RSNA’s first Spotlight Course held in Cancun in 2016, the RSNA Board approved a 2017 course to be held May 18-20 in Bogotá, Colombia. The highly interactive course, conducted in Spanish, will focus on musculoskeletal imaging and ultrasound and will be led by Jorge Soto, M.D., and Gabriel Dib, M.D. For more information, visit RSNA.org/Spotlight.

**Cancer Moonshot Integrates QIBA Profiles**

Among the federal Cancer Moonshot initiative’s goals are unleashing the power of data and enhancing data sharing. Efforts to facilitate and promote data sharing are critically important to researchers and clinicians. RSNA established the Quantitative Imaging Biomarkers Alliance (QIBA) to improve the value and practicality of quantitative imaging biomarkers by reducing variability across devices and time. Two QIBA Profiles defining universal standards of operation are referenced and supported by the Cancer Moonshot initiative. Use of QIBA Profiles for standardized quantitative imaging will contribute significantly to improvements in cancer care and oncological therapeutics. Read the Cancer Moonshot blog about the QIBA Profiles.

**RSNA Launches 3-D Printing Special Interest Group**

In response to breakthroughs in 3-D printing technology and its implications for radiology, RSNA has introduced a 3-D Printing Special Interest Group (SIG) to promote the highest quality 3-D printing for medical applications via education, research and collaboration. The group, chaired by Jonathan M. Morris, M.D., has grown to 75 members since its formation in December. RSNA is also creating a SIG Affiliate membership opportunity for individuals in industry who are interested in joining the SIG but are not otherwise eligible to be a member of RSNA.

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