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RSNA R&E Foundation Awards Record \$3.6 Million in Grants for 2014

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (July 9, 2014) – The Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) Research and Education (R&E) Foundation will fund 94 grants totaling \$3.6 million in 2014, the largest amount ever awarded by the Foundation in a single year.

"This funding would be impossible without the generous financial support received from countless individuals and our corporate and private practice partners and friends," said James P. Borgstede, M.D., R&E Foundation chair. "We are incredibly grateful for their commitment to funding radiology's future."

The 2014 grant recipients hail from 44 different institutions across North America. In addition, there are two international recipients from the Netherlands and Sweden. R&E Foundation grants serve more than the individual recipients and their institutions, they benefit radiology as a whole. The research and educational initiatives funded by the Foundation today lay the groundwork for the discoveries, tools and techniques that advance radiologic practice in the years to come.

This year's recipients will perform innovative research on a wide range of projects spanning different modalities and anatomic areas, including the use of hyperpolarized Carbon-13 MRI to noninvasively monitor the liver and the use of 3-D ultrasound to understand hip dysplasia in infants.

Among the awards for educational initiatives, aimed at improving teaching and training skills, are projects that focus on simulation-based training for CT protocol and the development of problem-based educational material for medical physics residency training.

The R&E Foundation leads the specialty in funding radiological research and educational initiatives. Since 1984, the Foundation has awarded more than \$44 million to over 1,000 investigators and educators. Despite an increasing number of applications, the Foundation maintains an impressive funding rate of 25 percent.

Grants provided by the R&E Foundation serve as seed grants to launch careers and provide

a pathway to subsequent funding. Every dollar awarded by the Foundation results in more than \$40 of additional funds received as principal or co-investigator by other sources, including the National Institutes of Health, corporations and private foundations.

The R&E Foundation continues to advance the RSNA's mission to promote excellence in patient care and healthcare delivery through education, research and technologic innovation. Grant funding is made possible by the support of thousands of individuals, private practices and corporations that share in this mission.

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RSNA is an association of more than 53,000 radiologists, radiation oncologists, medical physicists and related scientists, promoting excellence in patient care and health care delivery through education, research and technologic innovation. The Society is based in Oak Brook, Ill. (RSNA.org)

The mission of the RSNA R&E Foundation is to improve patient care by supporting research and education in radiology and related scientific disciplines through funding grants and awards to individuals and institutions that will advance radiologic research, education and practice. (RSNA.org/Foundation)