

MEETINGS CALENDAR

The course “Cardiac and Vascular MR Visiting Fellowship for Physicians,” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held January 31–February 4, 2000 and May 15–19, 2000, at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, Philadelphia. The cardiac and vascular fellowship is designed to provide insight into the physical principles of magnetic resonance, specifically, as it relates to cardiovascular imaging as well as an overview of the range of practical clinical applications. It includes an introduction to the principles of magnetic resonance imaging, instrumentation, and contrast phenomenology. It further introduces cardiac and vascular imaging strategies and methods for imaging of function and morphology of the cardiovascular system, MR angiography, and hemodynamic analysis. Finally, it covers a broad range of applications, including congenital and ischemic heart disease, valvular disease, imaging of the great and visceral vessels and intra- and extracranial and peripheral vascular disease, and MR venography. The clinical perspective will be emphasized. The fee is \$1600.00 (includes daily lunches) and participants receive 40 hours of AMA Category I credit. The course director is Leon Axel, Ph.D., M.D. For further information, please contact Melissa Zajdel, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center (Radiology), 3400 Spruce Street, MRI Center, 1 Founders Bldg., Philadelphia, PA 19104. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

The course “Radiology Update: Brain, Body & Breast,” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held on March 6–10, 2000, at The Silvertree Hotel, Snowmass, Colorado. This five-day meeting is designed to present the principles of standard and recently advanced MR imaging techniques and their applications in evaluating the brain, spine, head and neck, body and breast. The fees are \$750.00 (physician) or \$475 (resident), and participants will receive 25 Category I credit hours. The course director is Robert I. Grossman, M.D. For further information, please contact Janice Ford Benner, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, 3400 Spruce Street, MRI Center, 1 Founders Bldg., Philadelphia, PA 19104. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

The course “23rd Annual Winter Skeletal Symposium Musculoskeletal MRI,” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held on March 13–17, 2000, in Sun Valley, Idaho. The focus will be on the musculoskeletal applications of MRI. Coverage will include basic and advanced MR imaging techniques used in the examination of the musculoskeletal system. The meeting is

designed for the practicing radiologist or orthopedic surgeon with a particular interest in bone and joint disease and applications of magnetic resonance imaging. The fee is \$750.00 (\$475.00 residents), and participants will receive 23 Category I credit hours. For further information, please contact Janice Ford Benner, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, MRI Center, 3400 Spruce Street, 1 Founders Bldg. Philadelphia, PA 19104. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

The course “MRI Update (Body MR and Vascular Topics),” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held on March 20–24, 2000, in Vail, Colorado. This course is designed for the practicing radiologist with an interest in MR and vascular topics. The fee is \$750.00 for physicians. Participants will receive 20 Category I credit hours. The course director is Mitchell D. Schnall, M.D., Ph.D. For further information, please contact Janice Ford Benner, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, MRI Center, 3400 Spruce Street, 1 Founders Bldg., Philadelphia, PA 19104. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

The 41st ENC on Experimental Nuclear Magnetic Resonance will be held on April 9–14, 2000, at the Asilomar Conference Center, Pacific Grove, California. For further information, please contact ENC, 1201 Don Diego Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Fax: (505) 989-1073. E-mail: enc@enc-conference.org. Web page: <http://www.enc-conference.org>.

The course “MRA for the Interventional Radiologist,” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held on April 26–28, 2000, at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, Philadelphia. This visiting fellowship addresses an audience of radiologists and other physicians with an interest in vascular imaging and interventional procedures. The participants need no prior knowledge of magnetic resonance angiography, as the course will discuss basic MR techniques and their applications in imaging the peripheral arteries and veins. The fee is \$900.00 (3 days and includes daily lunches), and participants will receive 25 Category I credit hours. The course director is Richard A. Baum, M.D. For further information, please contact Melissa Zajdel, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center (Radiology), 3400 Spruce Street, MRI Center, 1 Founders Bldg., Philadelphia, PA 19104. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

The course “Neuro MR Visiting Fellowship Program for Physicians,” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held on May 1–5, 2000, at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center. This fellowship provides an overview of Neuroradiology. All pertinent topics encountered in Clinical Neuroradiology are discussed. There is an emphasis on MR techniques as they relate to clinical practice. Daily case reviews embellish fundamental lectures. Attendance at daily read out sessions and case conferences permits the attendee to interact at a practical level with members of the Neuroradiology Section. This course includes the anatomy and pathology of the head and neck and spine. The fee is \$1,600.00 (includes daily lunches), and participants will receive 40 hours of Category I credit. The course director is Robert I. Grossman, M.D. For further information, please contact Melissa Zajdel, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center (Radiology), 3400

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The 15th European Experimental NMR Conference will be held in June 2000 at the University of Leipzig, Germany. For more information and preregistration, see the web site for details and contact information: <http://eenc.uni-leipzig.de>.

The XIX International Conference on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems will be held on August 20–25, 2000, at the University of Florence in Florence, Italy. The Chairperson of the event is Ivano Bertini. For further information, please contact Professor Lucia Banci, University of Florence, Department of Chemistry, Via Luigi Sacconi, 6, 50019 Sesto Fiorentino, Italy. Phone: +39 055 4209263. Fax: +39 055 4209253. E-mail: icmrbs@cerm.unifi.it. <http://www.cerm.unifi.it/icmrbs.html>