

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 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

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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 Spruce Street, MRI Center, 1 Founders Bldg., Philadelphia, PA 19104. Phone: (215) 662-7825. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

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 course “Advanced Body/Musculoskeletal MR Visiting Fellowship Program for Physicians,” sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, will be held on June 5–9, 2000, at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center. This fellowship will include some of the important features of both the Musculoskeletal and Advanced Body visiting fellowships. The musculoskeletal portion (approximately 2½ days) will cover mainly the knee, shoulder, and spine regions. As in the week-long musculoskeletal fellowship, a variety of teaching methods are employed including didactic lectures, special independent case reviews and discussions, and small-group discussions of imaging techniques and protocols. The advanced body portion (also 2½ days) will include topical coverage of the upper abdomen, male and female pelvis, breast and vascular regions. The fee is \$1,600.00 (includes daily lunches), and participants will receive 40 hours of Category I credit. The course directors are Mitchell D. Schnall, M.D. and Murray K. Dalinka, M.D. For further informa-

tion, please contact Melissa Zajdel, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center (Radiology), 3400 Spruce Street, 1 Founders Building, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Phone: (215) 662-6904. Fax: (215) 349-5925.

The IX International Symposium on Magnetic Resonance in Colloid and Interface Sciences will be held on June 25–29, 2001, in St. Petersburg, Russia. It will be organized by the Borskov Institute of Catalysis (Novosibirsk, Russia), University Pierre & Marie Curie (Paris, France), and St. Petersburg Department of the Borskov Institute of Catalysis (St. Petersburg, Russia). For further information, please contact Ludmila Startseva, Borskov Institute of Catalysis, Pr. Akad. Lavrentieva, 5, 630090 Novosibirsk, Russia. Phone/Fax: +7 383 2 34 12 97. E-mail: star@catalysis.nsk.su. Web Site: <http://www.catalysis.nsk.su>.

The XEMAT 2000 Optical Polarization and Xenon NMR of Materials meeting will be held on June 28–30, 2000, at the Grand Hotel Dei Castelli, in Sestri Levante (Portofino Bay), Italy. Web site: <http://www.mater.unimib.it/xemat2000/>.

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>.