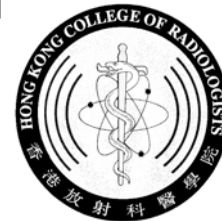


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President's Jottings

Dr. Lilian Leong

SARS epidemic

When I was writing my previous jottings, it was in the early days of the SARS outbreak. The current jottings finds us in a better setting: all the countries, which had been hard hit by SARS, are now free from new cases. Trave warnings issued by WHO were lifted. There are no longer any SARS infected areas.

Let us therefore pay tribute to those who had given their lives and salute those who had contributed to fight SARS. We, of course, would not forget those who had supported the frontline workers in combating this very infectious and little known syndrome which has, not only taken away lives, but also resulted in grave economic and social impact. Healthcare workers in Hong Kong deserved to be highly praised on their exhibition of selfless dedication and professionalism. We, in radiology, have played no small part. Our colleagues were upfront working hard. We are deeply touched by our radiographers and their teammates, the health care assistants who roamed around in Accident and Emergency units, in the SARS and ICU wards and in the CT suites to carry out the much needed imaging services. We are also very proud of the various scientific papers that were published in the very hectic times. They are essential for experience sharing and scientific advancement.

Our College has also organized the SARS Imaging Symposium on 7th June. It was open to all and was an immense success. It was put up in a mere three weeks, yet we have an excellent faculty and huge support from various bodies including Hospital Authority, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine and our technology companies. My congratulations goes to the speakers and the organizing committee. The epidemic is now over and we are into various reviews on SARS. Yet we must stay vigilant, as the disease returning by the end of the year via "invisible" patients is always a possibility. However, we are quite confident that we will not be devastated even if SARS returns, now that we have gained some experience. Furthermore we have emerged as a more cohesive profession and are therefore more prepared to face future challenges.

New batch of trainee radiologists

In the last few weeks, programme directors in training have been busy in interviewing new residents and in arranging programmes for new trainees. The poor economy has drastically cut down our trainee intake. As a consequence, we are also having less candidates for our examination. The situation is monitored closely and we are negotiating continuously with Hospital Authority to support us for more trainees. Recently, the College has also submitted our Manpower Report to relevant organizations like Hospital Authority and Hong Kong Academy of Medicine. The report has detailed our manpower requirements in the long and the short term for our specialty development. We have high hopes that our document will form an important reference for manpower planning in the region.

Coming activities

We have been quite quiet in our scientific activities in the last few months. But there are a number of meetings in the coming few months for you to catch up with your CME points in Radiology. Do participate in our Annual Scientific Meeting, Joint meeting with the Chinese Society of Radiology in Guangzhou, Scientific Congress for the 10th Anniversary of HKAM etc.

SARS Imaging: Pneumonia, Atypical Pneumonia & Pneumonia-like Conditions

The SARS Imaging Symposium was successfully held at the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building on 7th June 2003. This event was organized by the Hong Kong College of Radiologists in collaboration with the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine and the Hospital Authority. More than 350 radiologists and allied health professionals attended.

The symposium aims to provide an educational opportunity for radiologists and other healthcare workers on the radiological aspects of SARS, pneumonia, atypical pneumonia, and conditions which may be confused with pneumonia. It also offers a platform for the exchange of valuable information and experience in SARS.

The Hong Kong College of Radiologists recognizes the crucial role that radiology is called upon to play in the diagnosis and management of SARS. For the past few months, our clinical colleagues, radiologists, radiographers, nursing staff, supporting staff and our healthcare supply companies have joined hands in our combat against SARS. The HA management team has given all the support they possibly can to facilitate our work. We cannot fight this battle alone. We hope that with the sharing of experience in thoracic imaging, this symposium can meet the educational needs of medical doctors and other healthcare workers in helping them to manage SARS. Some of the material of the symposium will be posted onto our College website.

At the symposium, prominent speakers delivered lectures that focused on the roles of Conventional and Digital Radiography, and High Resolution Computed Tomography, in the management of pneumonia and SARS. A HRCT Film Quiz was organized in which 12 cases were presented, half of them being SARS. All participants of the quiz received a special College stationery pack, and among them, 8 brilliant delegates who scored on all cases received additional College souvenirs as prizes.

The College would like to thank our speakers, organizers of the film quiz, the radiographer audio-visual team, our secretaries and College Secretariat for their hard work in organizing the function.

We would also like to thank our sponsors who had demonstrated their unfailing support and enthusiasm in the promotion of radiology education in this difficult time of the SARS crisis.



Dr William Ho, Dr Lilian Leong, Dr CH Leong, the speakers and the moderators for the SARS Imaging Symposium.

CME on the Web

Effective from 1 April 2003, our College CME guidelines have specified the feasibility of self-study CME via the web. CME points belonging to the self-study category shall accrue up to a maximum of 10 Category A CME points per cycle.

Currently for each issue of the Hong Kong Medical Journal (HKMJ) of the Academy, two articles are selected for the purpose of CME, and each College is requested to consider whether the articles are appropriate for the College fellows' CME, how many points will be awarded and on what criteria. With the revision of our CME guidelines, our College will be awarding points to relevant articles of HKMJ. These articles will then be put up electronically in the Membership Learning & Management System (MLMS) of Academy fellows on the Academy website, together with the related MCQ set by the authors. Our fellows attempting those MCQ and reaching the required criteria (say correct answers for 50% or more) at the first attempt will automatically score the awarded CME point and uploaded to the fellows' CME record (i.e. no need for paper work).

Starting from July 2003, our Case of the Month will also be CME accredited. A linkage had been set in the Case of the Month of our Homepage to the MLMS website. After studying the current Case of the Month and answer the 5 MCQs set by the author, you will get 1 CME point for correct answers reaching 60% or more in your first attempt. Notice that CME will only be given to the current Case of the Month. The case of that month will automatically expire by the end of the month and will be replaced by a case of the next month. Retrieval of cases of the past months are possible from the homepage of the Hong Kong College of Radiologists as before.

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Case Of The Month

- In Jul M/75, Left lower eyelid swelling for weeks. Physical examination - no cervical lymphadenopathy.

To receive CME for the Case of the Month, please visit HKAM MLMS by clicking the linkage below:
www.mlms.org.hk

News & Events

- SARS Imaging Pneumonia, Atypical Pneumonia & Pneumonia-like conditions
- 11th Annual Scientific Meeting
- 2003 Fellowship Training Course
- Application Forms & Fees
- 10th Asian Oceanian Congress of Radiology
- UK Preparatory courses for Final FRCR Exam in Clinical Oncology
- Imaging of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)

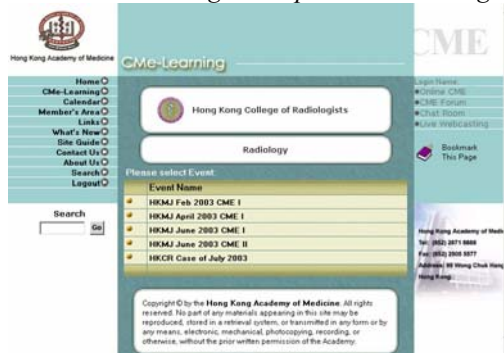
Journal of HKCR

- Journal Information
- Current Issue Indexed in EMBASE

To go to MLMS from our Homepage, click at the linkage in the Case of the Month column



The MLMS Main Page at <http://www.mlms.org.hk>



You will enter the HKCR CME Page after you have logged in



The Final Page where you can view the Case of the Month and get CME

Fellowship Training Courses 2003

Part 1 Training Course in Medical Physics

Period :	2 August 2003 to 15 Nov 2003
Time :	0900 - 1200, Saturday mornings
Venue :	Lecture room (J-LG04), Lower Ground, Block J, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Registration Fee :	HK \$1,000
Deadline of Registration :	15 July 2003

Part 2 Fellowship Preparation Course in Clinical Radiology

Includes rapid reporting sessions, film reporting sessions, slide quiz & tutorials.

Programme

Core Tutorial Sessions :	16th and 30th August 2003
Time :	9:00am – 12:30pm
Venue :	Department of Radiology & Imaging, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Weekend Revision Course :	26th and 27th July 2003
Time :	9:00am – 5:15pm
Venue :	Department of Radiology & Organ Imaging, United Christian Hospital
Registration Fee :	HK \$1,500
Deadline of Registration :	1 July 2003

Registration forms can be obtained from the Unit Head of the Department of Diagnostic Radiology in HA hospitals, from our College Secretariat, or from our College Homepage <http://www.hkcr.org>. Photocopies of forms are acceptable.

Please send completed registration form and cheque for registration fee to the Secretariat of the College.

2003 Fellowship Training Courses in Clinical Oncology

Part 1 Course in Medical Physics

Period :	5 July 2003 to 21 February 2004
Time :	9:00 am – 1:00 pm, Saturday mornings
Venue :	(1) Room 1203, 12/F, Block R, Queen Elizabeth Hospital (2) Lecture Room, Department of Clinical Oncology, Prince of Wales Hospital
Registration Fee :	HK \$600
Deadline of Registration :	4 July 2003

Part 1 Course in Clinical Pharmacology

Period :	2 August 2003 to 23 August 2003
Time :	9:00 am – 11:00 am, Saturday mornings
Venue :	Lecture Room, Department of Clinical Oncology, Prince of Wales Hospital
Registration Fee :	HK \$400
Deadline of Registration :	31 July 2003

Application forms can be downloaded in our homepage. For further information please email to our Secretariat.

Membership Status

Please be informed that the College has the following number of members as at 11 July 2003:

<i>Status</i>	<i>Number</i>
Honorary Fellow	8
Fellow	298
Member	68
Trainee Member	10
Associate Member	1
Total	385

List of Members admitted from 27 March 2003 till 11 July 2003:

<i>Admission date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Specialty</i>	<i>Training Center</i>
29 April 2003	CHAN, Tin Sang Augustine	DR	PYNEH
29 April 2003	NG, Kwok Hang Connie	CO	PYNEH
27 May 2003	LEE, Shu Ngar Donna	CO	QMH
24 June 2003	CHOI, Chi Yin	CO	PYNEH
24 June 2003	POON, Siu Leung Falcon	CO	TMH
24 June 2003	TSANG, Wai Kong	CO	PWH

No Trainee Member was admitted from 27 March 2003 till 11 July 2003.

No Fellow was admitted from 27 March 2003 till 11 July 2003.

Morocco Society to Host ICR 2008

The Moroccan Society of Radiology has accepted an invitation from ISR to host ICR 2008 in September of that year in the convention center in Marrakesh. The dates will be 1-5 June of that year.

This will be the first international congress in Northern Africa and the second on the African continent, ICR 2006 being scheduled for Cape Town Republic of South Africa, in September 2006.

Radiographers Choose New Leadership

The International Society of Radiographers and Radiological Technologists late in 2002 installed a new board of managers for a four-year term. The ISRRT also moved its offices from Toronto, Ontario Canada to Cardiff, Wales in the United Kingdom.

President for the current term is Tyrone Goh of Singapore. Vice presidents are B. Patricia Johnson of Barbados, Robert George of Australia and Niru Kolmannskog of Norway. Regional directors include Michael DelVecchio of the USA, Robert T.L. Shen of Taiwan, and Alain Hembise of Belgium. Shirley Hundvik of Canada continues as director of education. Mary Jon Lachance of Canada is the director of health and safety and Kay Collett of Australia is director of public relations.

The new office for the ISRRT is at 143 Bryn Pinwydden, Pentwyn, Cardiff CF23 7DG Wales, United Kingdom. The Telephone is: 44 2920 735038, fax: 44 2920 540551 and email is: isrrt.yule@btopenworld.com

Pneumoconiosis Training Grant

The Pneumoconiosis Compensation Fund Board has established a training grant to facilitate health-care workers and occupational safety and health personnel to enhance their knowledge and skills on Pneumoconiosis.

This "Training Grant Scheme" mainly aims to encourage eligible applicants to attend overseas training programmes or conferences that are related to the topic of Pneumoconiosis.

For further information on the scheme, please contact Trophy Mak of the Board Secretariat at 2541 0032 or visit the website (<http://www.pcfb.org.hk>) of the Pneumoconiosis Compensation Fund Board.

Conferences

2003 International & 7th National Head and Neck Cancer Congress

Pre-congress Instructional Courses

Date: 5-6 November 2003
Venue: Postgraduate Education Centre,
Prince of Wales Hospital,
Shatin, Hong Kong

Main Congress in Guangzhou

Date: 7-11 November 2003
Venue: Guangdong Hotel, Guangzhou, China
Enquiry: Secretariat
Department of Surgery,
The Chinese University of Hong Kong,
Prince of Wales Hospital,
Shatin, Hong Kong SAR, China
Tel: (852) 2632 2951
Fax: (852) 2647 3074
E-mail: hn2003@cuhk.edu.hk
Web: www.surgery.cuhk.edu.hk/hn2003

ICIS-Society Meeting and 4th Annual Teaching Course

Organizer: International Cancer Imaging Society
Date: 5-8 October 2003
Venue: Isola Sacca Sessola - Venice, Italy
Enquiry: ICIS 2003
19 Stoney Street
The Lace Market,
Nottingham NG1 1LP, UK
Tel: +44 (0) 870 873 0335
Fax: +44 (0) 870 873 0337
Web: www.icimagingociety.org.uk

Second Asian Regional IOF Conference on Osteoporosis

Organizer: International Osteoporosis Foundation
Date: 16-18 January 2004
Venue: Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre
Enquiry: MediMedia Pacific Limited
35/F., Two Chinachem Exchange Square
338 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong
Tel: (852) 2559 5888
Fax: (852) 2559 6910
E-mail: meeting@medimedia.com.hk
Web: www.osteofound.org /
www.apof.org /
www.jococ.org

Imaging in Tuscany

Date: 26-30 October 2003
Venue: Relais Fattoria Vignale
Radda in Chianti, Italy
Enquiry: spinwarp.ucsd.edu/neuroweb/Tuscany/cme.html

Hong Kong College of Radiologists – 11th Annual Scientific Meeting

Organizer: Hong Kong College of Radiologists
Date: 18-19 October 2003
Venue: Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building, Hong Kong SAR
Enquiry: Secretariat
Room 909, 9/F., Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building,
99 Wong Chuk Hang Road,
Aberdeen, Hong Kong
Tel: (852) 2871 8788
Fax: (852) 2554 0739
E-mail: enquiries@hkcr.org
Web: www.hkcr.org

The 11th Congress of Radiology Society of Chinese Medical Association

Date: 8-11 November 2003
Venue: Guangzhou, China
Enquiry: Details in Chinese -
contact HKCR College Secretariat:
Tel: 2871-8788
E-mail: enquiries@hkcr.org or
direct contact with organizer:
E-mail: yang_jianyong@hotmail.com or
jonson_y@163.net

The 16th International Somerset MRI Course

Date: 12-16 October 2003
Venue: The Palace Hotel, Torquay, Devon, UK
Enquiry: Rachael Blundell
Training and Education Manager
MIA Lodestone
Ground Floor, North Hampshire MRI
Aldermaston Road
Basingstoke
Hampshire RG24 9NA UK
Tel: +44 (0) 1256 842176
Fax: +44 (0) 1256 476620
E-mail: rblundell@lodestone.co.uk

British Medical Ultrasound Society – 35th Annual Scientific Meeting

Date: 10-12 December 2003
Venue: Harrogate International Centre
Enquiry: British Medical Ultrasound Society
36 Portland Place
London W1B 1LS
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0) 20 7636 3714
Fax: +44 (0) 20 7323 2175
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