I have just attended the International Congress of Radiology in Cancun, Mexico. The trip was very exhausting as the flying time was very long, often with delays in flight schedules and difficulties in getting connections. Furthermore there were many activities that I was called upon to participate. But then, Cancun is a beautiful place with modern conference facilities and the Congress was very successful with 1300 participants from 72 countries. From Hong Kong, there were only Dr. Paul SF Lee and myself.

Wearing several hats, namely, Hong Kong representative, the Executive Council Member of International Society of Radiology (ISR) and the President of Asian and Oceanian Society of Radiology (AOSR), it had been a very busy meeting for me. Representing Hong Kong in the General Assembly, I cast the vote in matters like Bylaws changes. Those who do not know the history may be unaware of the fact that this vote did not come easy. We fought for Hong Kong to remain as an independent voting member after our return to China, in both ISR and AOSR. The negotiation and the lobbying took a few years and was meticulous and intensive. As expected, the Officers in the two Societies did not know about the Basic Law regarding the point that Hong Kong could be an independent member in international organizations conducting business in academic, professional, financial matters, etc. Nor did they understand why we want our independent representation as part and parcel of our continual commitment and involvement in radiology development in the region. After much work and support from our national and international colleagues, and our own radiologists and radiographers, we were successful in achieving Hong Kong, well before 1997, to remain a full member in both societies. These also involved review or amendment of the Constitutions in both Societies. As both ISR and AOSR are holding their Congresses every two years, delegates from your College and also from Hong Kong Society of Diagnostic Radiologists attended the respective Congress every year. However, the number of Hong Kong participants in both Congresses have been dropping. These could be due to the fact that some of the venues were a bit far to travel or it could be that some preferred to attend congresses focused on particular specialties and subspecialties of interest. But we surely hope that attendances in the ISR and AOSR Congresses could be more enthusiastic. I urge our colleagues to support the Societies and to represent Hong Kong. It depends on everyone to sustain our presence and contribution from Hong Kong.

Let me go back to some domestic issues. From the Medical Council and from the Academy of Medicine, you have probably received their newsletters informing us that mandatory CME for non-specialists is to take effect from 2005, if approved by the Legislative Council. The Academy of Medicine is to be one of the organizations as administrator and accreditor for CME. Among the Academy and the Academy
Colleges, there have been a lot of discussion on how to help our doctors undergoing specialty training, who are not yet qualified for specialist status, to attain enough credits when mandatory CME is required. We all understand that our trainee doctors have to attend training courses and they are also encouraged to attend relevant scientific meetings and clinical activities. They may not have enough free time to join the other CME activities especially those organized for non-specialists. Your College, therefore, is looking into the feasibility of opening up some of the sessions of our training courses and our scientific meetings as CME activities for non-specialists. Meanwhile, I urge our trainee doctors to register with Academy of Medicine as the administrator of their CME activities. This will ensure the continuity of their CME credit record after they are qualified as specialists to shift to the CME requirement for specialist category. In addition, they will be informed of various CME activities organized by other Academy Colleges and relevant organizations. Do register now and may be our training supervisors could assist their trainee doctors to start their CME record!

Lastly, may I remind all our members to support our Annual Scientific Meeting by registering and attending. This is our most important annual scientific event. Also, this year, we are honored by the Dean of the Royal College of Radiologists to officiate our Joint Ceremony for Admission of New Fellows and we will have a dinner for the Colleges afterwards. Do come and support our new Fellows and the function.

20 July 2002

Opening Ceremony of the 22nd International Congress of Radiology in Cancun, Mexico on 1st July 2002

From left to right: G. Klempfener, President Elect ISR; J.L. Ramírez-Arias, Chairman ICR-2002; C. Standerstskjold-Nordenstam, President ISR; E. Ruelas Barajas, Undersecretary of Health Mexico; R. Johnson-Vela, President FMRI; G. Elizondo-Rojas, President CMRI; F. Avelar-Garnica, President Elect FMRI; H. Pettersson, President EAR; L. Leong, President AOSR; N. Bryan, President RSNA; H. Nieman, President ACR; J.I. Garcia Salvidea, Cancun Municipal President
Palliative Medicine as a Subspecialty

Palliative Medicine as a Subspecialty under Clinical Oncology, Hong Kong College of Radiologists, has been approved by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine. This marked a new era because this was the first ever subspecialty established in the College. Incidentally Palliative Medicine is also a subspecialty in the Hong Kong College of Physicians. There are, naturally, similarities and differences between the two colleges.

Currently about half of the admitted patients under Clinical Oncology in the Hospital Authority required palliation as part of their management. In Hong Kong the mortality : incidence ratio of cancer is about 0.5. Again it indicates that half of the cancer patients would need palliation at some point in their course. Palliation could not be separated from cancer, and implicitly, Clinical Oncology. It was with these viewpoints that we developed the subspecialty.

In our presentation we stated that ‘…Palliative care is the active continued care of cancer patients and those close to them, when it has been judged that cure is no longer possible……’ and ‘ ……treatment modalities for cure is used .......’. These treatment modalities include radiation therapy, chemotherapy, hormonal agents, biological agents and an array of drugs. The role of surgical colleagues is no less important. Palliative Medicine is teamwork, involving doctors, nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, radiographers, religious personnel, psychologists, social workers and volunteers. The family and close relatives of the patient are inherently part of the team.

Like all subspecialties, we have a structure defining our objectives, entry requirements, training programme, the subspecialty board, accreditation of training centres and subspecialty accreditation. The programme is closely tied to that for training in Clinical Oncology. We thought that a thorough understanding of cancer was essential. Emphasis was put on holistic care, catering for the physical, psychosocial, spiritual needs of the patient and the family. With the basic training in Clinical Oncology, we have the advantage to develop further the subspecialty of Palliative Medicine.

Intravascular Brachytherapy

Intravascular brachytherapy for treatment of in-stent re-stenosis after percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty has become an established modality. Good quality experimental data confirmed its efficacy in reducing the incidence of major cardiac events. This adds to yet another ‘benign’ condition treatable by radiation therapy. With the rising incidence of coronary heart disease in Hong Kong, it is anticipated that the treatment would be offered to more and more patients.
In response to this development the College has published a position paper in January 2002 on the training requirements for intravascular brachytherapy. Those who are interested in reading this paper can visit our College’s website: http://www.hkcr.org. The spirit of the whole paper was focused on maintaining and attaining efficacy and safety in using radioactive sources for treatment.

Radiation is a two-edged weapon. The therapeutic margin is narrow. The slope of the dose-effect curve is steep. While an underdose would result in treatment failure, an overdose can give rise to serious ‘normal tissue’ consequences. To the operating team the radiation exposure should be kept to the minimum following the ALARA (as low as reasonably achieved) principle. The operating team members must be familiar with the handling radioactive sources. To this date these persons include Clinical Oncologists, Medical Physicists, and Radiographers. These, together with the Cardiologist, are essential members of the team.

The College position paper ‘Training Requirement for Vascular Brachytherapy’ laid down strict requirements for persons using sealed radioactive sources in vascular brachytherapy. This is to ensure that such treatments are administered under circumstances in the best interest of the patient. The importance of quality assurance cannot be over-emphasized. Radiation handled carelessly can end up in disastrous consequences.

The source of radiation for vascular brachytherapy is evolving rapidly. Strontium-90 has become the agent of choice for its beta emission. Lately Phosphorus-32 was already under study. Things are coming up so fast that even specialists may have difficulty to update. I suspect that we are among the few still using ‘live’ radioactive substances in treating diseases.

**Clarification on Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance Chapter 359**

There has been concern about the requirement of having a radiographer to be a qualified director in the business of radiology practice as stated in the Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance. Some radiologists are of the view that a radiology laboratory must have a radiographer as a director, while others have the view that radiologist will be a professionally qualified director.

Over the years, our College has an ongoing dialog with the Supplementary Medical Profession Council (SMP) showing our concerns in this matter. Thanks to the hard work of our President Dr. Lilian Leong, a reply from the SMP Council had been received. Those who are interested in reading the reply letter can contact our Executive Officer.
Examinations & Results

Final Examination for the Fellowship, Royal College of Radiologists

Clinical Radiology – Part A, Spring 2002
Successful Hong Kong Candidates:  CHENG, Lik Fai
                                  FUNG, Po Yan Eliza
                                  SHING, Kwok Kuen

Clinical Radiology – Part B, Spring 2002
Successful Hong Kong Candidates:  TUNG, Kin Shan Helen

Hong Kong College of Radiologists Training Accreditation of Hospitals

The Hong Kong College of Radiologists has just conducted the accreditation visits of the hospitals earlier this year. Below is a list of accredited centers for training.

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1 = accredited 15 months out of 3 years Basic Training
2 = accredited 6 months of training in General Radiology during Higher Training
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2002 Fellowship Training Courses

Part 1 Training Course in Medical Physics

The course is based on the new syllabus for the revised Part 1 Fellowship Examination to be introduced in December 2002.

| Period:  | 17 August 2002 - 26 October 2002 |
| Time:    | 0900 - 1200, Every Saturday Morning |
| Venue:   | Lecture Rom (J-LG04), Lower Ground, Block J, Queen Elizabeth Hospital |
| Registration Fee: | HK $1,000 |
| Deadline of Registration: | 15 August 2002 |

2002 Part 2 Fellowship Preparation Course in Clinical Radiology

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

Programme:

Core Tutorial Sessions: 17 August & 28 September 2002

Time: 9:00am – 12:30pm

Venue: Radiology Department, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Weekend Revision Course: 27 & 28 July 2002

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Venue: Radiology Department, Kwong Wah Hospital

Registration Fee: HK $1,500

Deadline of Registration: 15 July 2002

Registration forms can be obtained from the Unit Head of the Department of Radiology at the HA hospitals, from our College’s Secretariat, or from our College’s 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.
Membership Status

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No fellow has been admitted from 19 February 2002 up to 9 July 2002.
A shorter flight, less windy weather, evasion from the uncomfortable thought and talk on potential terrorism were the rationale I gave myself when taking off in early March this year to Vienna, the permanent venue for the European Congress of Radiology.

It is inevitable to consider ECR as the European equivalent of RSNA but to a smaller scale, and is supported readily by statistics with the former attended by ~12000 in 2002 and the latter by ~52000 in RSNA 2001. Looking closer, there has been an 11% increased participation for ECR as compared to 2001 while RSNA 2001 recorded a reduction of 11% from the previous year (no-shows after registration like myself are not taken into account). Among the professionals attending 2002, more than one third came from non-European countries. While the drop in RSNA 2001 might just be part of the aftermath of 911, the rising popularity of ECR is no longer a mystery to me after this visit.

The Vienna Austria Center, similar to Mc Cormick Place, is situated at the edge of the city but is conveniently connected to the city center by metro. There was no need to stand in chill queuing for shuttles or taxis. Moving from session to session within the venue, the rooms were within comfortable walking distance. Even the lifts, escalators and the coat checks were not swarming with rushing people. Vases of flowers, oil paintings on the walls, coffee-house of European atmosphere added further visual pleasure and comfort when strolling around the venue.

Without an excellent educational and scientific program, a radiology conference no matter how well organized, means nothing to the participants. In this aspect ECR 2002 definitely earned a good plus. There were two comprehensive categorical courses (MRI and US with free syllabi for attendants), refresher courses on various subspecialties, scientific sessions, hands-on workshops and image interpretation sessions. It also included 9 special focus sessions, 4 state-of-the-art symposia and honorary lectures to emphasize recent imaging advances and cutting-edge technologies such as MSCT, CT/PET, delivered by internationally renown experts. Free time was difficult to schedule as there were also a number of satellite symposia, organized by the commercial participants, to enrich the daily programme.

While these sessions might not attract all the participants to attend, the opening ceremony was apparently an event no one was willing to miss. With the Vienna Boys’ Choir as the performing guests singing in perfection, applauses and camera flashes came from a full house of attendants and the atmosphere was so joyous that one just temporarily forgot it was in the mid of a radiology conference. The pleasure to hear the charming boys singing in flawless Putonghua was really an unforgettable one. The evening ECR opening concert completed the first day of the congress with even more musical delight.
Digital radiology and related issues, other than music, were another highlight of the congress. There were exhibits dedicated to advanced computer applications. PCs were loaded with database of certified teaching files and multimedia presentation on digital integration of hospital systems. There were also hands-on sessions to increase skills on the use of IT for searching information and for training. The most widely utilized computer technology this year was the provision of a web-based photo and e-mail service so that the participants could send their messages and pictures to family and friends. In fact the ECR meeting in 2003 will be the first international radiology meeting to feature an entirely electronic scientific exhibition replacing all the traditional ‘posters’.

The technical exhibits appealed to me other than browsing the most updated imaging equipment and innovations. Many lighthearted tricks, scarcely seen in American meetings, were used to introduce the latest imaging products such as acrobats making intricate body performances to illustrate the idea of product flexibility and massage service to remind you of the comfort of using a safe contrast and many others.

With Monet’s Iris featuring on the ECR 2002 congress poster, it was no surprise to learn that a French radiologist had been the President of ECR 2002. He also brought along a special exhibit titled ‘Violence and Imaging’ (courtesy of the SFR) featuring the contribution of medical imaging in revealing violence in industry, war, prison, against children and civil violence. Thought-provoking pictures and messages presented in black and white posters, housed in a quiet corner with comfortable sofas, was a unique way to take a break from the glaring innovations and technological advances nearby.

After the congress, the superb and variety concerts and theatre performances offered by this capital of music attracted many participants. Failing to get a ticket of the concert by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra without making reservation 3 months in advance, I could only console myself with the purchase of a DVD of the 2001 New Year’s Eve concert, which has been broadcast yearly all over the world from Vienna.

The public transport in Vienna is so good with special offers made to tourists that making visits of the many historical sites around the city is simply a treat. With so little time left, I just purposelessly toured around the city on a tram and took off whenever I feel like, ending up at the riverside to take a leisurely walk. If one has more time or is more energetic, the beautiful Hungarian city of Budapest is only a 2-hour train ride away. I did not make an attempt this time but just bought a guide-book at the Vienna airport, knowing that I will surely return in the future.

So you see I don’t need to find any excuses and reasons for my next ECR attendance; may be finding good companionship to share the experience and fun is more of a concern.
Dr Anida Chong, Dr. Lilian Leong with Professor Lenny Tan, one of the ECR honorary member this year

My snapshot of riverside, Vienna

One of the exhibits at ‘Violence and Imaging’
Annual Scientific Meeting

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT
Hong Kong College of Radiologists
10th Annual Scientific Meeting

Date
19th & 20th October 2002 (Saturday & Sunday)

Venue
Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building, Hong Kong SAR

Organizer
Hong Kong College of Radiologists

Programme
Scientific symposia, proffered paper and poster presentations, trade exhibition and book exhibition.

Renowned overseas and prominent local speakers will cover a variety of topics in radiology, clinical oncology and nuclear medicine.

The meeting aims to bring together radiologists, clinical oncologists and nuclear medicine physicians practicing locally and overseas for the interflow of knowledge and advancement in the field of Radiology. Physicians of other disciplines, radiographers and other healthcare professionals are also welcome.

Registration Fee

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Registration fee includes coffee breaks and lunch. Conference kits for full registrants only.

Deadline for submission of abstracts: 31st July 2002

The meeting is accredited by the Hong Kong College of Radiologists for 14 CME Credit Points. (7 CME points for 1 day of registered attendance.)

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  Homepage: http://www.hkcr.org
JRS welcomes papers for presentation. Participants from overseas can apply for oral or poster sessions. Submission starts on August 1, 2002 by internet. Deadline for submission of abstracts will be October 16, 2002. Abstracts should be within 400 words. Please visit http://square.umin.ac.jp/jrs2003 for details.

Travel grants are available for young radiologists from the Asian Oceanic region with preference to radiologists from developing countries. This YIA (Young Investigator's Award) Travel Grant is awarded by the Program Organizing Committee on the basis of scientific merit. Grants of 80,000 Japanese yen each (approximately US$650.00) will be awarded at the Congress site and registration fee will be waived for grant recipients.

Requirement for the award:
1) The applicant should be under the age of 40 as of March 31, 2003
2) The applicant should be the first author as well as the presenter
3) The applicant should submit a CV, certification of date of birth, and a recommendation letter from supervisor.

Applicants should submit the abstract by internet and send a printed abstract and the above necessary document to President by October 16, 2002.

Address as follows:
Junji Konishi, M.D., President of the 62nd JRS Meeting
Department of Nuclear Medicine & Diagnostic Imaging
Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine
Sakyo-ku, Kyoto, 606-8507
Japan

e-mail address: jrs2003@kuhp.kyoto-u.ac.jp
Conferences

Conferences (Local)

**18th World Congress of Digestive Surgery & 9th Hong Kong International Cancer Congress**

Date: 8-11 December 2002  
Venue: Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong  
Enquiry: Secretariat, Department of Surgery  
University of Hong Kong Medical Centre  
Queen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong  
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E-mail: wcgs2002@hkucc.hku.hk  
Web: www.wcds2002.org

**The Fifth Meeting of the Asian-Australasian Federation of Interventional and Therapeutic Neuroradiology**

Date: 9-11 November 2002  
Organizer: Hong Kong Society of Interventional Radiology Ltd.  
Venue: Hong Kong SAR, China  
Enquiry: Conference Secretariat, Management Society for Healthcare Professionals  
8/F, 88 Lockhart Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong  
Tel: (852) 2861 2668  
Fax: (852) 2861 0189  
E-mail: enquiry@mshp.org.hk  
Web: www.AAFITN.com

**Orthopaedic MRI Workshop**

Date: 15 December 2002  
Organizers: Hong Kong Association of Private Orthopaedic Surgeons,  
Opus Magnetic Imaging Centre  
Venue: Conrad Hotel, Pacific Place  
Enquiry: Allison Lew  
Tel: 8106 5688

**4th Annual Joint Scientific Meeting**

Date: 28 September 2002  
Organizers: Hong Kong Society of Gastroenterology, Hong Kong Society of Digestive Endoscopy, Hong Kong Society for Coloproctology The Hong Kong Association for the Study of Liver Diseases, The Hong Kong Society of Gastrointestinal Motility  
Venue: Sheraton Hotel, Hong Kong  
Enquiry: Miss Rebella Ho, Executive Director, Hong Kong Society of Gastroenterology, Room 1203, Bank of America Tower, 12 Harcourt Road, Central, Hong Kong  
Tel: 2869 5933  
Fax: 2869 9533  
E-mail: gastro@netvigator.com

Conferences (Overseas)

**1st Intercollegiate Scientific Meeting – Minimally Invasive Medicine**

Date: 9-10 November 2002  
Organizers: Hong Kong College of Physicians, Hong Kong College of Otorhinolaryngologists, Hong Kong College of Radiologists, College of Surgeons of Hong Kong  
Venue: Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building, 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong  
Enquiry: Conference Secretariat  
Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Jockey Club Building, 10/F, 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong  
Tel: (852) 2871 8787  
Fax: (852) 2871 8898  
E-mail: confdept@hkam.org.hk

**2002 International Bone Research Instructional Course and Hands-on Workshop**

Date: 17-19 October 2002  
Organizers: Musculoskeletal Research Laboratory and Orthopaedic Learning Centre, Department of Orthopaedics & Traumatology of the Chinese University of Hong Kong  
Venue: Hong Kong  
Enquiry: www.olc-cuhk.org/ibrw-2002  
www.ort.cuhk.edu.hk/ibrw-2002

**International Skeletal Society – 29th Annual Refresher Course**

Date: 25-28 September 2002  
Venue: Noga Hilton Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland  
Enquiry: Ryals & Associates, Inc., PO Box 380, Springville, AL 35146  
Tel: (205) 467-3158 x 10  
Fax: (205) 467-3199  
E-mail: info@ryalsmeet.com  
Web: www.ryalsmeet.com

**Cardiovascular Imaging 2002: 30th Annual Meeting & Scientific Session of North American Society for Cardiac Imaging**

Date: 21-24 September 2002  
Venue: Westin Galleria Dallas, Dallas, Texas, USA  
Enquiry: Web: www.nasci.org
International Cancer Imaging Society – Society Meeting and Third Annual Teaching Course

Date: 7-9 October 2002
Venue: Espace St. Martin, 199 bis rue Saint Martin, 75003 - Paris, France
Enquiry: The BIR Conference Office, 36 Portland Place, London, W1B 1AT
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Web: www.icimagingociety.org.uk

Second Regional Workshop on Medical Writing for Radiologists

Date: 17-18 October 2002
Venue: Sheraton Imperial Hotel,Kuala Lumpur
Enquiry: Ms Janet Low
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University of Malaya
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secretariat@radiologymalaysia.org

10th Congress of the World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology

Date: 1-4 June 2003
Organizer: American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM)
Venue: Montreal, Canada
Enquiry: AIUM, Professional Development, 14750 Sweitzer Lane, Suite 100, Laurel, Maryland, 20707-5906 USA
Web: www.aium.org

11th Congress of Asean Association of Radiology & 9th National Seminar of Indonesian Radiology Society

Date: 4-7 September 2002
Venue: Radisson Bali, Jl. Hang Tuah 46, Sanur Bali 80228, Indonesia
Enquiry: Department of Radiology
Cipto Mangunkusumo Hospital
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RCR 2002 Annual Meeting

Date: 11-13 September 2002
Organizers: Royal College of Radiologists
Venue: One Great George Street,
Westminster, London, UK
Enquiry: The Conference Office
The Royal College of Radiologists, 38 Portland Place,
London W1N 4JQ
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