June 1, 2009



# Radical Views...

## from the Department of Radiology June 2009

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1 7:30 - 8:15 IR Interesting Cases (Brennan) 3:00-4:00 No ED section meetings for June	2 7:30 - 9:00 Body Conference (Brennan)	3 7:30 - 8:15 Breast Conference (Armada) 8:15 - 9:00 Chest Cases (Litmanovich) 11:00-12:00 MSK clinical conference (weekly) 12:00-1:00 (weekly): Thoracic Imaging section meeting GI Oncology/GU Oncology meeting 1:00 MR section meeting (weekly)	4 7:30 - 8:15 TBA (Bedi) 8:15 - 9:00 TBA (Bhadelia) 12:00 - 1:30 Abd section meeting (weekly) 12:00-1:00 MSK section meeting (weekly)	5 7:30-9:00 Grand Rounds: Quality Assurance (Hall) 12:00 - 1:00 Resident Case Conference (Bhadelia) [Clouse Conf Rm)] 12:00 - 1:00 Chiefs Meeting
8 7:30 - 9:00 MR Pitfalls & Artifacts (Smith)	9 7:30 - 8:15 IR M&M (IR Staff) 10:30 - 11:30 Nuc Med staff meeting [GZ-103] Scholar Track Educational Talks 5:00 - Networking in academic medicine (Kressel) [TCC-4 Conf Rm]	10 7:30 - 8:15 Ultrasound Cases (McArdle) 8:15 - 9:00 Chest Cases (Paulin)	11 7:30 - 9:00 MSK End of Year Fellow Talk (Geary) 6:30-11:00 Fleischner Graduation [DeCordova Museum, Lincoln, MA]	12 7:30-9:00 Grand Rounds: Fleischner Lecture 12:00 - 1:00 Resident Case Conference (Hackney) [[Clouse Conf Rm] 12:00-1:00 US section meeting [TCC-247A]
15 7:30 - 9:00 Lower Extremity MRA (Rofsky)	7:30 - 9:00 Holiday Call Lottery 8:00-9:00 IR section meeting (weekly) 10:30-11:30 Nuc Med staff meeting (GZ-103)	17 7:30 - 8:15 IR Case Conference (Massrour) 8:15 - 9:00 Chest Cases (Romero) 300-4:00 Mammo section meeting [TCC-484]	18 7:30 - 8:15 Head & Neck Flaps (Bedi) 8:15 - 9:00 A Survival Guide to Neuro MRI Protocols (Peri)	7:30 - 9:00 Grand Rounds: Chief Rounds 12:00 - 1:00 Resident Case Conference (Kleefield) [Clouse Conf Rm]
22 7:30 - 9:00 Abd Imaging Jeopardy (Sun)	7:30 - 8:15 Non-Vascuar Use of Vascular Devices (Faintuch) 8:15 - 9:00 MSK end of yr talk: MR Finger Anatomy (Mangrulkar) 8:00 IR section meeting 10:30-11:30 Nuc Med staff meeting (GZ-103)	24 7:30 - 8:15 Ultrasound Cases (Romero) 8:15 - 9:00 Chest Cases (Spirn) 3:00-4:00 Mammo section meeting [TCC-144]	25 7:30 - 8:15 Patellofemoral Tracking (McMahon) 8:15 - 9:00 MSK QA (Eisenberg & Senior Resident)	26 12:00 - 1:00 Resident Case Conference (Moonis) [Clouse Conf Rm] No Grand Rounds: End of Year

#### **DEPARTMENTAL NEWS**

- As of June 1, **Clotell Forde** will be taking over the duties of Department Administrator, currently performed by Andrea Baxter. Andrea will be focusing on the administrative duties of the Chairman's Office. Clotell has been with the BI since 1993. During this time she has proven herself a valuable asset to our Department. Please join with me on congratulating her as she transitions into her new role. - Carl Nickerson
- It gives me great pleasure to announce that **Neil Rofsky** has agreed to join our Radiology Executive Committee. We are fortunate to have Neil's wisdom, experience and enthusiasm, and we all look forward to working closely with Neil. He has a tremendous palette of skills that we will all benefit from, including being an outstanding guitarist, and a dedicated and devoted clinician, researcher and teacher. Neil serves in a leadership capacity on many national and international committees, and is widely and justifiably recognized as being one of the top MR clinicians in the world.

Neil will be joining our Radiology Executive Committee:

Vassili Raptopoulos: Clinical operations, quality & safety, clinical schedules

Max Rosen: Community Imaging Services, faculty recruitment

Bob Lenkinski: Research

**Deb Levine:** Faculty Development, Trainee and education programs (residents, fellows, medical students)

Phil Boiselle: Administration, including PACS, RIS and transcription services, & ergonomics

**Bob Kane:** Senior advisor, including benefits, salaries and incentives

Please join me in congratulating Neil, and in recognizing the tremendous effort put in by all members of the Committee.

- Jonny



Our brand new MR unit will be opening July 1 at Harrington Hospital, Charlton, MA.

In collaboration with the Associate chiefs, below is the established reporting expectations for turn around time, provisional impression findings and wet reads for Radiology. *Our current April average was 28.17 hours which includes weekends and a median of 9.24 hours, so this is quite achievable!* Thank you all for your attention to this important service indicator. - **Donna Hallett** 

All In-patient exams get a PFI or are signed within 3 hours
All cases IP and OP Done between Monday 7AM to Friday 4 PM

Done to dictated: < 16 hours
Dictated to Transcribed: < 4 hours
Transcribed to Approved: < 16 hours

Total no more than 36 hours for total TAT, average < 24 hours, median 9 hours.

All Out patients cases done between 4 PM Fri and 7 AM Mon

Must be dictated by 2 PM on Mon (or 2 PM Tues when there is a Monday holiday) and signed by 5 PM. Total no > 75 hrs. All In patients done between 4 PM Fri and 7 AM Mon will be completed within 24 hours with a PFI or signed within 3 hrs. Request for wet reads will be communicated to the reading room by the technologist when the exam is ordered urgent or stat or when a wet read has been requested. The expectation is the radiologist will call the requesting MD with the wet read.

• The Ultrasound Section of the BIDMC Radiology Department has successfully been re-accredited by the American College of Radiology in OG-GYN, Abdominal, General and Small Parts US, as well as Vascular US/Doppler for peripheral vascular, deep abdominal and retroperitoneal vascular studies.

The ACR US Accreditation program is a rigorous assessment of the quality of performance at an US facility by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field, with strict Credentialing and Maintenance of Competence requirements for all physicians and technologists working at the facility, assessment of the quality of the scanning equipment (including routine maintenance records and phantom studies), as well as a requirement for submission of actual scans in all accreditation categories, both normal and abnormal, which are judged for technical and clinical competency, including the physician's reports. Accreditation provides a high level of confidence for patients, referring physicians and health care organizations that the highest quality care is being provided by the accredited facility.

The US Section at BIDMC was deeply involved in the development and promulgation of the accreditation process for US facilities, helping to define the methodologies and improve and refine the operations of this effort. We are proud to have been one of the first US facilities to be accredited in the United States some 10+ years ago, and have successfully undergone the accreditation process 3 additional times. The accreditation period is for three years, and then must be renewed in order to assure adherence to the highest quality US practice.

The Non-invasive Vascular Lab, which shares practice with US on the West campus, is also accredited by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Vascular Laboratories (ICAVL) for the full complement of non-invasive vascular assessment.

- Robert A. Kane, MD, FACR

### Did you know....

#### Policy #GME-09 Guidelines for Graduate Medical Education Observation Experience

**Why?** It is imperative that BIDMC take measures to protect the safety and rights of patients by insuring that all individuals functioning in clinical areas have been properly screened and credentialed.

**Who?** Any individual who comes to the medical center in an "observer" status must abide by the institution's policies for visitors, even though the observer may be a qualified physician or health care professional. An observer must wear a BIDMC identification badge when on the premises. The observer agrees not to render patient care and may not counsel patients. He/she may not perform or participate in the performance of any procedures. The patient's attending staff physician must receive permission from the patient to allow the observer to be present when care is being provided. Observers are the responsibility of the sponsoring attending faculty physician and sponsoring Department.

Complete an Observer Data Form (Attachment A) and submit this form, along with a written request for observer status, which includes a description of the proposed educational experience, to the Graduate Medical Education Office. Sign and submit to the Graduate Medical Education Office, an Observer Agreement (Attachment B) to indicate understanding of the nature of observer status and agreement with its terms.

Provide the following to the Graduate Medical Education Office: (1) letter of recommendation from current training institution; (2) curriculum vitae; (3) documentation of eligibility for participation as an observer while in the United States; (4) copy of medical license, if applicable; (5) letter from sponsoring BIDMC faculty physician confirming approval by Medical Staff Department and outlining elements of proposed experience; (6) documentation of health screening

**Did you know....** is a new monthly feature designed to keep us up to date on necessary and relevant policies. Please contact Yolanda Milliman-Richard, RN at ymillima@bidmc.harvard.edu or 617-754-2740 for more information.

#### **Departmental Awards, Honors and Grants**

#### • 2009 JOSEPH B MARTIN DEAN'S LEADERSHIP AWARD FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN FACULTY

Congratulations to **Max Rosen** for being nominated for this important award at the May 21st meeting of the Harvard Faculty of Medicine. Initiated in 1998, this annual award recognizes a Harvard faculty member who is committed to the recruitment, retention, and advancement of women at Harvard Medical School and Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

#### • BIDMC RESIDENT AND FELLOW RESEARCH DAY 2009

Congratulations to the participants and winners of this year's Residents and Fellows Research Day, a hospital-wide effort to recognize trainee research efforts. Radiology was well-represented:

2nd place Oral Presentation - Faisal Khosa, MD, ED Fellow

2nd place Poster Presentation - Colm McMahon, MD, MSK & Body MR Fellow

#### • MORRISON RESEARCH DAY 2009

This year's annual celebration of research trainee efforts was well attended and well presented (10 talks, 13 posters) as we welcomed back MR section chief alumnus, **Robert Edelman** as our 14th Annua Laurie B. Morrison guest lecturer. Bob spoke on the challenges of MR of the human vasculature without gadolinium. The judges, Bob Lenkinski, Debbie Burstein, Ivan Pedrosa and Jonny Kruskal gave out 6 Morrison Research Awards for "Exemplary contributions to research in the Radiological Sciences" to: **Kelly J. Davis, PhD** and **Summer Gibbs-Strauss, PhD** (J. Frangioni, mentor); **Rakhee Sansgiri, MD** (D. Levine, mentor); **Phillip Robson, PhD** (D. Alsop, mentor); **Weiying Dai, PhD** (D. Alsop, mentor) and **Colm McMahon, MD** (M. Hochman, mentor).



Drs. Rofsky, Edelman, Kruskal & Lenkinski



Dr. Kruskal shakes hands with our Morrison winners: Kelly Davis, Summer Gibbs-Strauss, Rakhee Sansgiri, Phil Robson, Weiying Dai and Colm McMahon before they enjoy a well deserved buffet reception.

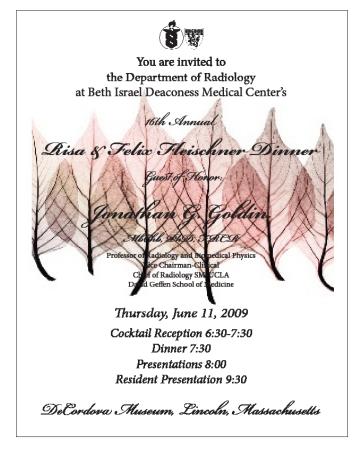
June Visiting Professor: Jonathan G. Goldin, MbChb, Ph.D., FRCR (Grand Rounds on Friday, June 12, 8:00-9:00 am)

Dr. Goldin will present the 16th Annual Risa and Feliz Fleischner Lecture, **Imaging of Biomarkers in Pulmonary Clinical Trials** – *Moving Beyond the Standard of Care*, on Friday June 12 in the Sherman Auditorium, East Campus during Grand Rounds (8:00 am - 9:00 am).

We are very fortunate to have Jonathan Goldin, MD, PhD as our 2009 Fleischner Lecturer. Dr. Goldin graduated MBChB from the University of Cape Town in 1983 and completed an internship in medicine at the prestigious Groote Schuur Hospital in Cape Town. Thereafter he completed a PhD in Pulmonary Physiology at the University of Cape Town before commencing his radiology training in London, at St Bartholomew's Hospital where he received his FRCR. He then came to the USA for a pulmonary imaging fellowship under Denise Aberle at UCLA and has rapidly progressed up the academic ladder. In 2006, he was promoted to Professor of Radiology and Professor of Medical Biophysics at the David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA, rising from Assistant Professor to Professor in only 10 years. Currently Jonathan is Vice Chair for Clinical Operations at UCLA and Chief of the Dept of Radiology Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center. He also directs the 3D laboratory and is heavily grant funded from federal and industrial sources. Jonathan is a popular invited lecturer around the world and we are thrilled to have him here as our Fleischner lecturer.

I hope you will all take the opportunity to meet him at the Fleischner Dinner and Graduation Ceremony on Thursday, June 11th at the DeCordova.

- Jonny



#### 2009 Notable Publications from our Faculty Members [New citations in Blue]

We do a monthly PubMed search for new BIDMC publications and may miss those in which your affiliation is not noted. If we miss your paper, please send the reference to dwolfe@bidmc.harvard.edu to be included in next month's issue.

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