President’s Message

On behalf of the Executive Committee I welcome you again to the third issue of Bare Bones, our news bulletin of the ISS.

After a couple of years of transition, we are currently fully engaged with WJ Weiser & Associates with a full service agreement to manage the Society. Sue O’Sullivan is our society manager from WJ Weiser and she will be introduced to the membership during the next annual meeting in San Diego. In addition to taking over the tasks performed previously by a variety of officers, members and ancillary services (accounting, web page, secretarial assistance, etc.), Sue and her associates will be working with us on all aspects of the management of the society including membership list management, dues collections, assistance to the officers, brochure design, production and mailing, assistance to the chairmen of the committees, etc. just to name a few. The headquarters of WJ Weiser is located at Two Woodfield Lake, 1100 E Woodfield Road, Suite 520, Schaumburg, IL 60173. This address is now the official headquarters and permanent address of the ISS. Sue has already been working with many of the committee chairmen and as she gets to know us better and acquires a full understanding of the complexities of our society, her role and effectiveness, will be very noticeable.

The 2011 meeting in San Diego is already fully organized. The Hotel Del Coronado is an excellent venue and San Diego is a wonderful city with plenty of attractions. The Refresher Course program is practically finished, thanks to the great dedication of the Program Committee lead by Larry White and the Members Committee lead by Michael Klein. The Members Meeting Committee is already receiving a large number of exciting unique cases, scientific papers and posters.

Local hosts, Don Resnick, Mini Pathria and Christine Chung, will be welcoming us to their great city and they have prepared not only a very exciting social program but also an entertaining Film Reading Panel during the Refresher Course. I am sure that this meeting will be very successful and it will give us one more time the opportunity to learn, exchange ideas, meet friends and enjoy a wonderful stay in San Diego.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in San Diego.

Javier Beltran, MD
President, The International Skeletal Society

In Memoriam

David Dahlin, MD
Herbert Kaufman, MD
Theodore Eliot Keats, MD
Alex Norman, MD
Satoru Ohba, MD
Holger Pettersson, MD
Yunzhao Wang, MD
38th Annual ISS Meeting: San Diego, California

The 38th annual MSK Imaging Update Course of the Society, is entitled Musculoskeletal Imaging: Fundamentals to Advanced Concepts. The course is being chaired by Lawrence White, MD, and runs from September 21st to September 24th, 2011. It will consist of two parallel programs running concurrently. Participants are welcome to attend sessions from both courses.

The first course is entitled “Sports Medicine Imaging – With an Emphasis on MR Imaging” and the second course is focused on the themes of “Musculoskeletal Diseases and Tumors”. Both courses will consist of lectures by leading authorities in orthopedics, pathology, and musculoskeletal radiology.

A special “Expert Film Panel” session is being coordinated as part of the 2011 course by Drs. Don Resnick, Mini Pathria and Christine Chung. In addition, the course will offer three hot topics sessions: one entitled “Cartilage Repair 2011” which is a joint session of the International Skeletal Society and the International Cartilage Repair Society, a session dedicated to “Imaging and Pathology of Hematologic Malignancies”, and a third focus session entitled “Controversies, Imaging, and Surgery in Femoroacetabular Impingement” which is a joint session of the International Skeletal Society and the International Society of Hip Arthroscopy.

A dedicated one-day Musculoskeletal Shoulder Ultrasound Course, coordinated by Dr. Jon Jacobson, will also be offered on September 20th, 2011 with lectures, live demonstrations, and small group hands-on tutorial workshops taught by internationally-recognized experts in the field.

Radiology Clinical Practice Guidelines of the International Skeletal Society (ISS)

The Radiology Clinical Practice Guidelines Committee of the ISS will serve as a sub-committee of the Society’s Journal, Skeletal Radiology. The names of the members of this sub-committee will not appear in the Journal’s masthead. The committee will be co-chaired by an American and European editor of the Journal or their chosen designate from the same continent. Members on this committee will be selected by the editors from the ISS membership and serve at the pleasure of the editors. The composition of this committee should be such that it is geographically wide ranging and comprehensive in national and or regional representation.

The primary role and objective of this committee is to identify clinical practice issues that are topical, evolving or confounding and find authors either from the sub-committee or membership to provide clearly written guidelines with the intent of having it published in Skeletal Radiology under the title of ISS clinical practice guidelines.

When published, authorship of the guidelines will be acknowledged and publicized (as in a manuscript) with a notation that it has the approval of the ISS clinical practice guidelines committee.

A secondary role of the sub-committee would, by its existence, serve to address clinical practice issues that may be referred to the ISS by other medical societies, patient advocacy groups or the media.

The activities of this sub-committee would be included in the editors’ annual report to the Executive Committee and membership, and presented by one of the co-chairs.

ISS Clinical Practice Guidelines Committee
Co-Chairs: D.I. Rosenthal (USA); J. Hodler (Switzerland)
Committee Members: I. Beggs (UK); J. Earwaker (Aust); S. Ehara (Japan); J. Griffith (Hong Kong); M. Tuite (USA); L. White (Canada)

New Leadership of the ISS 2011 – 2013
President: Javier Beltran
President-Elect: Mark Davies
Secretary: Lynne Steinbach
Treasurer: William Palmer
Immediate Past President: Klaus Bohndorf
New Members at Large: Carlo Martinoli, Ricardo Kalil, Nicholas Athanasou
ISS Historical Archives
The Society history has been updated and the completed version presented to the Executive Committee in 2010. This will be placed on the Society website in 2011.

The current project is to consolidate the records relating to the Closed/Members Meeting from the inception of the Society to the present day and to make that also available on the website. The information has been obtained from 3 main sources:


2) Closed Meeting Programmes: These are available from 1987 on. In 1988 relevant images pertaining to each case were incorporated into the booklet.

3) In 1998, Drs. Len Kahn and Javier Bertram incorporated the radiology and pathology images from the Closed Meeting into a PowerPoint format for each year and this has been continued with considerable improvement since that time.

Development of a consolidated Members Meeting archive:

1) The Jacobson record is being converted to a digital format to serve as the permanent record of the meetings 1974-91.

2) The material from the Closed Meeting Programmes from 1988 to 1997 has been incorporated into a PowerPoint format conforming to that which was developed subsequent to 1998. The presentations given by individuals during that 10 year period have been copied on to separate files. These files are to be emailed to those “presenters” who are currently members of the Society for:
   • Verification;
   • Comment;
   • Possible update and correction;
   • Potential inclusion of copies of original images, both radiological and pathological.

The addition of information and better quality images by individuals in relation to these cases will only serve to enhance the record.

A deadline of 1st August 2011 has been set for return of the material to the Historian so that the record may be completed and presented to Executive.

3) The Powerpoint records of the meetings 1998-2010 are also being serially incorporated into the archive on the website.

ISS Website
The ISS website has been fully transitioned to our new management company, WJ Weiser & Associates. The society website can still be found at www.internationalskeletalsociety.com. The access username and password for the members section are issmember and skeletal. Email any questions to: iss@wjweiser.com.

Travel Grants
EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL GRANTS TO ATTEND THE ISS MEETING IN SAN DIEGO ARE AVAILABLE FOR COURSE PARTICIPANTS: Both Members and Young Non-Members

Consideration Guidelines for Both Categories:
• Residents of developing countries
• Geographic location and proximity to the meeting
• First-time or non-consecutive requests

Member:
• Limited financial resources
• Must present a scientific paper, present in the closed meeting, give a refresher course or participate as a workshop instructor

Young Researcher:
• Must be under 35 years of age
• Must have a scientific paper accepted for presentation

Deadline for receipt of MEMBER applications is May 15, 2011.
Deadline for receipt of YOUNG RESEARCHER applications is MAY 15, 2011. These are strictly adhered to.

Applications can be found at: http://www.internationalskeletalsociety.com/
Click on “Meetings and Courses”. Find “Travel Grant Applications” on the left.
Special Scientific Session
Call for Abstracts

The special Scientific Program will take place during the Members Meeting of the Annual Meeting of the International Skeletal Society on Tuesday afternoon, September 20, 2011.

Non-members of the society, fellows in training (radiology, pathology, rheumatology, orthopedics, sports medicine, etc) and applicants for membership to the International Skeletal Society are also encouraged to submit abstracts.

The abstracts from award-winning scientific papers presented at the meetings of the Asian Musculoskeletal Society, the European Society of Musculoskeletal Radiology, The Society of Skeletal Radiology, The Australasian Musculoskeletal Imaging Group and the 2010 Skeletal Radiology Editors Award given to the best paper by a non-ISS member will be presented in the Special Scientific Program.

Some abstracts may be deemed by the committee to be more appropriate for inclusion in the Members Meeting rather than the Special Scientific Program.

Guidelines for Submission of Abstracts:
1. The abstracts should have no more than 200 words.
2. The abstracts should be structured with a purpose, Material and Methods, Results, and Conclusion.
3. Papers of accepted abstracts must be submitted to Skeletal Radiology for potential publication.
4. The deadline for abstract submission is February 15, 2011.
5. The selection will be made on or before April 11, 2011. The authors will be notified immediately to allow time for travel arrangements.
6. Accepted presenters will be invited to the members Meeting and Refresher Course as well as the social events (except to the Members Dinner and Gala) at no charge.
7. Please indicate whether or not you are a member of the Society (in “Comments”).
8. All abstracts should be submitted electronically at www.internationalskeletalsociety.com.

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Outreach Program

In 2010 the Outreach Program was given an increased budget and the organization revamped. The chair of the Program Committee, Mark Davies, appointed regional coordinators each to cover a major world region. These individuals were chosen because of their cultural/ethnic origin and/or knowledge of the particular region. They were given the responsibility of organizing on average one Outreach Program in their respective region each year with a view to planning several years in advance. As a result there were six programs successfully completed in 2010 to diverse countries such as Oman, Costa Rica, Ghana, Columbia, Israel and Jordan. Coming up in 2011 are seven further programs to Chile, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Brazil, Tunisia and Zambia. Mark Davies acknowledges the hard work of these regional coordinators in setting up these programs and thanks the 65 ISS members who by the end of 2011 will have participated as a faculty member on one or more of these programs since they commenced under the stewardship of former President Iain McCall in 2003. Those interested in the ethos of the program are referred to a perspective to be published shortly in our journal, Skeletal Radiology.

Mark Your Calendar for Future ISS Meetings

2011
San Diego, California
Update Course: 21st – 24th September
Members Meeting: 19th – 20th September

2012
Rome, Italy
Update Course: 12th – 15th September
Members Meeting: 10th – 11th September

2013
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Update Course: 2nd – 5th October
Members Meeting: 30th September – 1st October

ISS Deadlines
February 15, 2011 Special Scientific Session Abstracts (www.editorialmanager.com/skra)
May 1, 2011 Applications for new members (iss@wjweiser.com)
May 15, 2011 Application for Travel Grants for MEMBERS (www.internationalskeletalsociety.com)
May 15, 2011 Application for Travel Grants for YOUNG RESEARCHERS (www.internationalskeletalsociety.com)
May 27, 2011 Electronic exhibits abstracts (millertt@hss.edu)
2010 ISS Electronic Exhibit Awards

First Place Winner
“MRI of Aseptic Lymphocytic Vasculitis-Associated Lesions (ALVAL) in Metal-on-Metal Hip Arthroplasties: A Pictorial Review”
Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital

Second Place Winner
“Bone Mineral Density Among Junior and Former Greek Female Soccer Player”
Marmara, E.
Laboratory of Functional Anatomy, TEFAA; University of Athens, Greece
Co-Author: Kosmas, J.
Faculty of Human Movement and Quality of Life Sciences, University of Peloponnese, Greece

Third Place Winner
“Monostotic Fibrous Dysplasia Confined to the Body of the Lumbar Spine: Imaging Features in Four Patients”
Chungnam National University Hospital, Department of Radiology
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Cho, J.H.
Ajou University Medical Center, Department of Radiology
Juhng, S.K.
Wonkwang University Hospital, Department of Radiology
Hwang, C.M.
Konyang University Hospital, Department of Radiology; Chungnam National University Hospital, Department of Radiology

2010 Corrinne Ferrell and Alan Darby Awards

Corrinne Farrell Award for Best Case Presentation at the Members Meeting 2010:
“Dedifferentiated Chordoma” authored by Dr. Mitsunori Kaya.

Runner Up, Corrinne Farrell Award for Best Case Presentation at the Members Meeting 2010:
“Hypophosphataemic Osteomalacia from Adult Onset Fanconi Syndrome Due to Multiple Myeloma” authored by Dr. Edward Dicarlo.

Corrinne Farrell Award for the Best Tumor Related Paper in Skeletal Radiology in 2010:

Alan Darby Award for the Best Case Report in Skeletal Radiology in 2010:
Masaharu Fukunaga, Kazuo Asanuma, Takeo Irie:

Editors Award 2010 for the Best Paper in Skeletal Radiology By a Non-Member First Author on a New Novel or Innovative Technological Application for the Diagnosis, Management or Treatment of Musculo-Skeletal Disease:
“Longitudinal Assessment of Bone Marrow Edema Like Lesions and Cartilage Degeneration in Osteoarthritis Using 3T MR T1 rho Quantification” authored by Jiang Zhao, MD.
Membership Committee

The new Membership Committee includes Chair Michael Recht, Christine Chung, Phil O'Connor, Ara Kassarjian, Nancy Major, Wilfred Peh, and Hakan Ilaslan. New this year, all membership applications and supporting documents will be sent directly to our management company WJ Weiser and Associates who will collate and organize all of the applications. One of the unique and special characteristics that differentiates the ISS from most other societies is its multidisciplinary membership; radiologists, pathologists, orthopaedic surgeons, and rheumatologists. A major goal of the society is to continue to promote and encourage this multidisciplinary membership and therefore we ask all members to encourage their colleagues in these disciplines to apply for membership to the ISS.

One of the most difficult tasks of the membership committee is telling prospective members that they do not yet meet eligibility requirements for membership Therefore, I want to remind everyone of the following criteria:

1. An applicant should have demonstrated a significant interest in skeletal disorders with approximately fifty percent or greater professional efforts focused in this area.
2. An applicant should have been the first author on six publications related to skeletal diseases which have appeared in refereed journals. (This guideline may be modified if the applicant has fewer publications but has done high-quality research or extraordinary educational activities indicating an ability to communicate information and contribute to the Society.)
3. An applicant will be considered four years or more after completion of a residency program.
4. In order to insure the quality of recommendations:
   a. Each active member is allowed to sponsor only two applicants per year.
   b. Each recommendation should describe how long the member has known the applicant and whether he or she has actually worked with him/her.
5. To be considered for membership, all applications materials must be received by the ISS by May 1st of the application year.

New ISS Members: 2010

This year the ISS welcomes 20 new physicians into the society. New members come from many different countries and include 16 radiologists, 1 pathologist, 1 orthopedic surgeon and 2 Rheumatologists. We welcome them and look forward to their contributions and camaraderie.

Key:
O = Orthopedic Surgeon
P = Pathologist
R = Radiologist
Rh = Rheumatologist

Allen Anandarajah, MBBS, MRCPI (Rh)
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James Teh, MBBS, MRCP, FRCR (R)
Jerry Dwek, MD (R)
John David Reith, MD (P)
Joon Woo Lee, MD, MS, PhD (R)
Michel Crema, MD (R)
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