

NEWS FROM THE UNIVERSITIES

WETENSCHAPPELIJKE PRIJS EM. PROFESSOR DOCTOR A. L. BAERT PERIODE 2009-2010

Artikel 1

Een tweejaarlijkse prijs voor een bedrag van € 2500 wordt opgericht door de stichting "Wetenschappelijke Prijs Em. Prof. Dr. A. L. Baert te Leuven, met als doel het fundamenteel en klinisch wetenschappelijk onderzoek in de radiologie aan te moedigen.

Artikel 2

Deze prijs kan worden toegekend aan een radioloog, opgeleid aan één van de vier Nederlandstalige universiteiten in België, op basis van een met goed gevolg verdedigde doctoraatsthesis, door een jury die zal benoemd worden door het stichtingscomité.

Artikel 3

Slechts werken die minder dan 2 jaar oud zijn op de datum van hun indiening kunnen in aanmerking worden genomen. Het werk moet opgesteld zijn in het Nederlands of in het Engels, met in beide gevallen, een uitgebreide samenvatting van minstens 15 bladzijden in het

Nederlands (interlinie 1, ca. 47 regels per blz.).

Artikel 4

De prijs kan slechts toegekend worden aan een nog niet bekroond werk. De auteur van het bekroonde werk krijgt de titel "Laureaat Wetenschappelijke Prijs Em. Prof. Dr. A. L. Baert".

Artikel 5

De jury van de prijs is samengesteld uit 7 personen, aangeduid door het stichtingscomité volgens de regels van het intern reglement. Em. Prof. Dr. A. L. Baert is voorzitter van de jury. Het staat de jury vrij de prijs al dan niet toe te kennen.

Artikel 6

De gevallen waarin door het reglement van de prijs niet is voorzien of betwistingen die zouden kunnen ontstaan betreffende de interpretatie ervan, de beoordeling van de ontvankelijkheid van de werken en/of van de kandidaten e.a. worden onherroepelijk door de jury beslecht.

Er wordt geen briefwisseling gevoerd over de uitspraak van de jury.

Artikel 7

De kandidaten moeten hun werk samen met hun curriculum vitae indienen in 6 gedrukte exemplaren bij Em. Prof. Dr. A.L. Baert en 1 exemplaar bij de secretaris, **uiterlijk op 30 september 2010**. Het stichtingscomité bepaalt de exacte datum van de toekenning van elke tweejaarlijkse prijs, voorzien in de maand december. De eerste toekenning van de prijs is uitgereikt in december 1998.

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RBRS 2009 RESEARCH GRANT REPORTS

Research Fellowship at the University of Melbourne, Australia

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Kindly sponsored by the RBRS research grant 2009 for the University of Ghent, I got the opportunity to embark on a research fellowship at the University of Melbourne, VIC, Australia. I was offered the appointment as Medical Imaging Research Fellow in the division of Medical Imaging/ Division of Clinical Support Services. The Melbourne Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) is the an important pillar of the faculty of medicine of this university, and is internationally recognized as

being the single largest paediatric health care research centre in the world. The prime purpose of the fellowship was to develop and consolidate expertise in all aspects of research in general and paediatric imaging. There were regular appraisals, which allowed me and the radiologists to inform one another of performance in order to assist in optimising the rest of training.

The core focus of the fellowship consisted of basic research. Research is strongly encouraged and

regular research meetings form part of the educational meetings. During the year at RCH, a fellow is expected to get involved in at least one minor and one major project – with the view of presenting at least one meeting and publication in a peer reviewed journal. A minimum of 7 sessions is protected weekly for research purposes including 2 sessions of a week allocated non-clinical time to fulfil administrative responsibilities, to prepare abstracts and to make presentations. As I was included in the MRI research group, intense collaboration between all fellows (5) was encouraged. This result-

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ed in submission of papers to JBR-BTR, Paediatric Radiology and European Radiology (first author), submission of a paper to AJNR (2nd author) and submission of a case report to Paediatric Radiology (3rd author). All of these papers are currently under review. An abstract for the Annual Meeting of the Society of Paediatric Radiology, Boston, 2010, has been accepted (3rd author).

Conference leave of up to 7 calendar days was granted to attend a Paediatric Radiology meeting when abstract is accepted for oral presentation. I had the opportunity to attend the Australia and New Zealand Annual conference on paediatric radiology (ANZPR) in Fiji, 12-15th of July 2009.

As there was a weekly duty roster, I was rostered 3 sessions on weekly rotation either to the reporting room, ultrasound, CT or MRI. Arrange-

ments were made to attend interventional sessions if mutually agreed when radiofrequency ablation of osteoid osteoma or bone biopsy was performed.

As fellow I was first on call, always with a consultant rostered as second on call back up, for 5 week-day nights and 1 week-end per 5 weeks averaged over the 12 month period.

The neurosciences, ENT meetings, uro- nephrology, thoracic and combined therapy clinic meetings are delegated to the fellows. Departmental educational meetings are formal weekly meetings which fellows attend and are rostered to contribute to. Quality meeting focuses on the way we practice Paediatric imaging and reviews techniques, protocols, errors, feedback from conferences, audits, etc. The Teaching meeting is primarily an education

meeting presented by Medical Imaging Department Consultants, RCH clinicians and visitors. Interesting case meetings allows sessional staff to experience all types of meetings. Interesting cases meeting is a weekly meeting run by fellows. Cases are presented by fellows and registrars with appropriate back-up information. Radiology registrar: fellows are expected to attend the weekly dedicated subspecialty tutorials provided by consultants. Fellows are expected to teach radiology registrars, medical students and junior medical/paramedical staff when invited.

I sincerely thank the RBRS and the medical imaging departments of the University of Melbourne and Ghent for giving me this fantastic opportunity.

AFIP Radiologic-Pathology correlation course, Washington DC, USA

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From July 27th until August 21st 2009, I attended a four-week radiologic-pathology correlation course organised by the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP). The AFIP is located on the campus of Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) in the North-West of Washington DC, USA.

The American Registry of Radiologic Pathology, one of the departments of the AFIP, collects radiologic material with pathologic correlation since 1947, over the years resulting in a large illustrative archive. All attendees of the course are required to contribute one case with radiologic-pathology correlation to the archives of the AFIP.

The course presents a comprehensive review of radiologic imaging of a broad range of diseases from all organ systems, with emphasis on the correlation with their

underlying microscopic features and gross pathology. All students receive the Radiologic Pathology Syllabus (about 1400 pages), complete with images and illustrations.

The four-week course provides over 200 hours of didactic sessions and case seminars, in a daily schedule from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, with 30 minutes lunch break.

The course director is Mark D. Murphey and the lectures are taught by staff radiologists of the Department of Radiologic Pathology at the AFIP as well as numerous eminent visiting professors.

The course is organised 4 times a year, for each time 250 participants. At the time of the course I was at the end of my 5th year radiologist-in-training at the University Hospital of Ghent. 95% of the United States radiology residents attend this course during their training, generally in

their 3rd or 4th year. The course is most beneficial at the end of radiology training, as most lecturers assume that participants have at least some experience with a variety of imaging modalities.

I strongly recommend this course to all residents who would like to improve their radiology skills and who would like to spend an unforgettable experience in a foreign country. Additional information can be found on the website of the AFIP (<https://www.radpath.org/>).

To conclude I would like to express my profound gratitude to the Royal Belgian Radiologic Society for the financial support by means of the travel grant and to my program director Prof. K. Verstraete for giving me the opportunity to attend this course.

Next AFIP courses are scheduled:

February 08 - March 05, 2010
March 22 - April 16, 2010
April 26 - May 21, 2010
July 26 - August 20, 2010
September 20 - October 15, 2010