AUR 68th Annual Meeting

AMSER Excellence in Education Award

Stefan Tigges MD

Introduction by Petra J. Lewis, MBBS, FACR

For many years, Stefan Tigges has been an inspiration to me both in student education and for the importance of creativity in our lives. He is an extraordinary and dedicated educator, using a variety of unique techniques to teach complicated concepts to learners. His greatest love, outside of his family, is drawing ‘comics’ - see his website https://xraycomix.com/, which he uses to teach anatomy, statistics and chest radiology among others. He started with zero experience (and he would say talent?) but has invested an amazing amount of time to develop his skills through practice and courses. Through Stefan, I have become a true convert to the value of using simplistic drawings to teach.

Stefan developed the curricula for, administers and teaches medical imaging courses throughout all 4 years of medical school at Emory as well as to residents. He contributes a huge number of teaching hours and has won multiple prior local and national educational awards. He continually mentors medical students. Emory has a very high number of students who apply to radiology, in no small part due to his mentorship and role modeling.

Stefan has been heavily involved with AMSER for over 15 years. He is the secretary on the Executive Committee and as a prior Co-Chair of the Radiology Exam-Web Editorial Board he was extensively involved in the development of standardized exams for medical students. He generously contributed many of the resources that he has developed to AMSER for national circulation. He was integral to the extensive redesign of the AMSER website and has presented and run workshops many times at AUR.

I am delighted that AMSER has chosen Stefan Tigges to receive the 2020 Excellence in Education Award, and I am honored to be asked to write this tribute to this truly inspirational educator who I am proud to call my friend.

RRA Innovation and Leadership Award

Carolyn Meltzer MD, FACR

Introduction by Alexander Norbash, MD, MS, FACR

The Radiology Research Alliance (RRA) gratefully and enthusiastically awards Dr. Carolyn Meltzer MD, FACR the 2020 RRA Innovation and Leadership Award.

Dr. Meltzer is a powerful leader, a brilliant physician-scientist, and an inspirational figure for those of us who are privileged to know her. Dr. Meltzer has been a consistently visible, absolutely tireless, and exceptionally effective champion for the cause of radiology research every single day of her remarkable professional career. Dr. Meltzer has been graced with dozens of honors and awards, including the Gold Medals of the AUR and the ASNR, and recognition with the Outstanding Researcher Award of the RSNA, in her recognition across the breadth of radiology.

Dr. Meltzer is the William P. Timmie Professor of Radiology and Imaging Sciences, and she has served as the Chair of Radiology at Emory University since 2007. Dr. Meltzer concurrently serves as Executive Associate Dean for Faculty Academic Advancement, Leadership and Inclusion at Emory University School of Medicine, having served as Associate Dean for Research also at Emory University from 2005 through 2019.

Dr. Meltzer’s academic output includes a staggering 74 NIH grants on which she has served as principal investigator, co-investigator, or consultant. Dr. Meltzer has contributed 174 original reports to our body of knowledge. Dr. Meltzer has served as a scientific federal grant reviewer since 1997, including her extensive specific service for the National Institutes of Health and its numerous study sections. Dr. Meltzer as a uniquely experienced and qualified physician-investigator has served the Academy for Radiology and Biomedical Imaging Research since 2008, having led and established a number of the Academy’s committees and initiatives, culminating in her service as President from 2015 through 2017.

By dint of her brilliance, breadth of contributions to our scientific understanding, powerful leadership and complete dedication and service to research, Dr. Carolyn Meltzer is awarded with our collective gratitude the 2020 Radiology Research Alliance Innovation and Leadership Award.