Welcome!

This newsletter serves to highlight the current AMSER goals and available teaching resources, and to keep members informed of ongoing projects.

Members and potential new members are encouraged to get involved in the stimulating and worthwhile activities of AMSER. One way this can be achieved is through committee membership and organizational leadership.

If interested in being an officer in AMSER or serving on a committee, please contact Nancy McNulty, incoming chair of nominating committee: (Nancy.J.McNulty@hitchcock.org)

AMSER General Projects and Goals

Medical Student Membership
- Encourage medical students to join AUR and AMSER
- There are few student members in AUR/AMSER. AMSER members are encouraged to make their students aware of AMSER and membership

Development of AMSCR (Alliance of medical student coordinators in Radiology)
- Establish an organization for medical student Radiology clerkship coordinators within AMSER, to promote camaraderie, mutual support and the sharing of ideas and resources. The Alliance of Medical Student Coordinators in Radiology (AMSCR) was launched at the 2010 AUR meeting (description below)

AMSER National Medical School Curriculum
- To be updated in 2010-2011

Shared Resources
- Continue to develop and distribute resources to AMSER members to aid them in developing and running clerkships and electives

Development of an AMSER “shelf exam” for medical student clerkships

Establish liaison with AAMC on medical school curriculum and exams
The Alliance of Medical Student Educators in Radiology

AMSER Shared Educational Resources

A variety of useful educational resources are made available to AMSER members, thanks to the efforts of Petra Lewis, Nancy McNulty, Sravanthi Reddy, Kitt Shafer and the contributions of many members. Resources include:

Radiology ExamWeb: This online examination tool and database of medical student NBME style exam questions (currently >850) is available to student educators to use on their clerkships/electives.
- Instructors can make their own exams from the database, or use ones developed by other instructors.
- All areas of radiology are covered and questions are categorized at four levels.
- Both image and non-image based questions
- Students take exams on-line with automatic marking.
- An AMSER 'shelf exam' will be developed.
- Currently supported by an RSNA Education Grant and grants from the Hudson Foundation.
Contact: Petra Lewis: petra.lewis@hitchcock.org to sign up and use this resource or find out more. (http://www.aur.org/Affiliated_Societies/AMSER/AMSER_Radiology_ExamWeb.cfm)

Medical Student Residency Application Guide: The AMSER Electronics Committee has developed a comprehensive guide for students who are, or may be interested in applying for a radiology residency. They have tried to keep the advice as generic as possible, but realize that it may not apply entirely to your institution. Please feel free to download it, modify it to suit your institution, and to forward it to any students who express an interest. This may be a useful document to distribute to a Radiology Interest Group. This document has been reviewed by and is supported by the APDR. This is available at: (http://www.aur.org/Affiliated_Societies/AMSER/medical_student_guide.cfm)

Radiology Clerkship Companion Project: A resource for clerkship curriculum designers and administrators created by Judy Amorosa and supported by an RSNA grant. It is available on the RSNA’s website.

National Radiology Curriculum: AMSER has developed a 4-year curriculum outlining the radiology topics that the organization feels should be taught/covered during medical school. Available at: http://www.aur.org/Affiliated_Societies/AMSER/amser_curriculum.cfm

AMSER ID: Image databank: This is a free, downloadable image database containing more than 5000 normal and abnormal images suitable for use teaching medical students. Available at: (http://www.aur.org/Affiliated_Societies/AMSER/AMSER_Shared_Resources.cfm)
- All images have been contributed by AMSER members and are updated approximately every 6 months.
- Additions are always welcome; please send any de-identified images you would like to contribute to: petra.lewis@hitchcock.org
- These images are available for AMSER members to use, and can be downloaded from: www.dartmouth.edu/~amserimages
Login: amserid Password: roentgen

MedEdPortal: This is an online publication site for educational resources. You can search the site and download content for use at your institution. It is also a great place to publish: submit your educational resource to MedEdPORTAL and distribute it to the world. A wide variety of resources are accepted (see site for examples). You obtain a peer-reviewed NLM citation and can download statistics for your CV/teaching portfolio. Check out the ACER collection for useful resources for students on radiology rotations.
Alliance of Medical Student Coordinators in Radiology (AMSCR)

This new organization is being launched under the AMSER umbrella. Its goal is to encourage camaraderie among clerkship administrative coordinators and to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas.

- Tony Brooks (Mass General/Harvard), Mandy Velligan (U Chicago) and Martha Howard (Emory) have taken a lead role in organizing AMSCR
- Tony and Martha presented an outline of organizational plans at AMSER’s member’s meeting at the AUR meeting in San Diego. Several medical student clerkship coordinators were in attendance
- Members are encouraged to make their clerkship coordinators aware of the organization
  - Coordinators should contact: Mandy Velligan at mvelligan@radiology.bsd.uchicago.edu or Tony Brooks at abrooks5@partners.org
  - Encourage coordinator attendance AUR 2011 or joining our online network.

AMSER Funds and Prizes

The Hank Goldberg Prize

Henry Goldberg, MD, was a UCSF Professor and a founding member of AMSER. He was an internationally recognized authority in abdominal and gastrointestinal radiology and longtime advocate and teacher of students at all levels in radiology. The AMSER Henry Goldberg Medical Student Award of $500 (supported by this fund) may be presented annually at the AUR Annual Meeting to a medical student(s) who submits an outstanding abstract for a paper, poster, or electronic exhibit. Contributions to this fund will honor Dr. Goldberg’s memory and acknowledge medical student educational efforts

2010 AMSER Henry Goldberg Medical Student Award Winners:

Elizabeth T. Chorney, BS
Dartmouth Medical School

Kevin C. McCammack, BS
Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine

The Hudson Foundation

Thanks to Wally Hooser, MD, at UT-Southwestern, the foundation has pledged $10,000 as a gift for new and expanded medical student educational efforts nationally. Funding has been used to underwrite the set up and maintenance cost for the ExamWeb program.

To contribute to either of these funds, please download the appropriate form from the AMSER website and submit to the AUR with your check.

http://www.aur.org/Affiliated_Societies/AMSER/AMSER_Funds_and_Prizes.cfm
AMSER Program at the AUR Annual Meeting

2011 AMSER Planned Program
Meeting theme: Advanced Radiology educational techniques
Bob Novelline, an AMSER member, is chair of the AUR Program Planning Committee

Highlights include the following sessions:
- How to Mentor and Promote Students in Radiology Research
- Lucy Squire Memorial Keynote: “Fostering Deep Learning”
  - Speaker: Ken Bain, PhD
- Promoting Professionalism Among Radiology Trainees
  - Professionalism charter
  - Resources for implementing professionalism curriculum
- How to Develop and Get the Most Out of Your Radiology Student Interest Group
- Member’s Meeting:
  - Open to members and prospective new members as well as Medical Student Clerkship Coordinators
  - Introduction of the AMSC - AMSER Medical Student Coordinators
  - Problem solving: bring your issues & ideas
- Get Your Hands On New Technology -- Work-shop
  - Radiology Exam Web
  - Radiology Jeopardy
  - Applications of Tablets in Teaching
- AMSER Cocktail Reception

Please mark your calendar for the 59th Annual AUR Meeting!
April 12-15, 2011
Westin Boston Waterfront
Boston, MA

Online registration is now open:
http://www.aur.org/Annual_Meeting/AUR2011/index.cfm

More details coming in the next issue!
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Radiology educators are encouraged to join AMSER to take advantage of the camaraderie and to take advantage of the exchange of ideas and resources.

AMSER members are encouraged to get involved in organizational leadership, resource development, and presentations at future meetings. Please help spread the word about the benefits of AMSER membership for local and international colleagues, as well as medical students.

We look forward to seeing you at the AMSER sessions in Boston at the 2011 Meeting of the AUR