MISSION: To advance the interests of individual academic radiologists and of the academic radiology community through consistent financial support of academic programming, scholarship, and innovation.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the AUR Research and Education Foundation, we invite you to help to fund the Foundation’s mission. The ability to support the AUR members through grants, fellowships, and stipends promotes collective advancement of the academic radiologic community on multiple levels including education and scholarship.

Giving to the Foundation

It's easy to contribute to the AUR Research and Education Foundation.

Simply go to http://www.aur.org/Foundation/ to obtain a form or call us at (630) 368-3730 to make a contribution over the phone. Contributions of investments are also welcomed and instructions can be obtained from the AUR office at the number above or via email at aur@rsna.org.

The foundation appreciates your continued support.

Donations: 2017 $8,173.00 (through 9/30/2017)

The newest program is the AUR-RAHSR Imaging Policy Research Grant, and the recipient will be selected for the 2017-2018 year. Two new programs, the Venture Fund for Affinity Groups and the Strategic Alignment Grant, have been popular. We continue to fund our hugely popular Education Research Development Grant and Education Scholar Grant. Please visit the REF website, http://www.aur.org/Foundation/ for information about how to apply for grants and to see a list of past grant awardees.

Venture Fund for Affinity Groups

Purpose: To support and invest in the missions of the respective AUR Affinity Groups, and to promote collaborative projects among Affinity Groups.
Innovative projects are proposed by individuals through the AUR Affinity Groups, with the aim of addressing stated needs of one or more of those groups. The 2017 recipients of this venture fund are listed below.

2017 Grant Recipients:
- AMSER/ACER
  Research and Development of a Standardized Letter of Recommendation (SLOR) for use in the Radiology Research Match
- ACER/AMSER
  Essential Skills in Educational Scholarship - On-line Training for AUR Members
- RRA/RAHSR
  Research Mentor Academy
Strategic Alignment Grant

Purpose: To advance the long-range strategic organizational goals of the AUR, such as increasing recognition of the AUR as a source for innovative and unique educational content, and increasing collaboration among members at the annual meeting, by awarding one year length grant(s) to applicants who address identified strategic priorities. As part of the application process, the AUR Research and Education Foundation will identify a minimum of two targeted areas chosen from the AUR Strategic Plan. Preferential consideration will be provided to proposals that address issues related to educational research and mentoring as the key strategic goals. Application Deadline: January 12, 2018

2017 Grant Recipient:

Tessa S. Cook, MD, PhD - Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania

*Development and Implementation of a National Imaging Informatics Curriculum for Radiology Residents*

2016 Grant Recipient:

Stella K. Kang, MD, MsC - New York University Langone Medical Center

*Value of Imaging through Comparative Effectiveness (VOICE) Research Program: A Collaborative Training Program in Biomedical Big Data and Comparative Effectiveness Research for the Field of Radiology*

Q&A Spotlight on AUR Grant Awardees: The 2016 Strategic Alignment Grant

Stella Kang, MD, MSc received the first award in 2016

Q: **What project did the 2016 Strategic Alignment Grant support?**

A: The VOICE Research Training Program is a national educational program for imagers who are interested in learning methods of comparative effectiveness research and big data analytics. Led by a multi-institutional team from NYU Langone Health, MGH, Northwell Health, Augusta University Health, University of Washington, and University of Minnesota, the program offers courses taught by expert principal investigators who also have extensive teaching experience. The courses are decision analysis, cost effectiveness analysis, evidence synthesis, and big data analytics (principles and applications).

Q: **How does the project serve the purposes of the grant?**

A: The goal of the program is to increase the number of researchers in radiology across the country who can apply these important methods to their work, and strengthen this research community both on a local and national level. Participants can meet more comparative effectiveness and big data researchers and access current work in these fields through involvement in the AUR and the Radiology Alliance for Health Services Research. The grant's support of the VOICE Research Training Program will hopefully broaden recognition of the AUR and its strong support for health services research.

Q: **What would you like AUR members to know about the program supported by this grant?**

A: Our team is thrilled to be able to offer the five-course program again for a second cycle in Fall 2018, in part due to additional support by the National Institutes of Health. As it becomes increasingly important to support evidence-based imaging and identify value in imaging, the courses can potentially help propel individuals' research interests and success. To create the flexibility needed for most clinical radiologists to be able to join, the VOICE program is a hybrid online and in-person course. Anyone seeking further information can feel free to contact our team at michelle.koplik@nyumc.org.

Q: **What other opportunities has the AUR provided for you?**

A: I began my research career with the support of the AUR-GERRAF program, and have really enjoyed working with members of RAHSR in our scientific and educational pursuits. Every year the annual meeting provides inspiration for new and improved directions in my work.
**Education Scholar Grant**
The RSNA and the Association of University of Radiologists have collaborated on a joint award that began in 2013. This co-sponsored Education Scholar Grant leverages funds to support scholarly projects in radiology education.

**2016 Grant Recipient:**

Andrew B. Rosenkrantz, MD, MPA
New York University Langone Medical Center
*Design of an Interactive Case-Based Online Tutorial for Prostate MRI Interpretation Using PI-RADS*

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**AUR-RAHSR Imaging Policy Research Grant**

Purpose: To promote health services research translationally, focused on advancing imaging health policy initiatives.

This year’s applications were due in September 2017. Look out for next year’s deadline!

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**Education Research Development Grant**

Sponsored by the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA), Association of University Radiologists (AUR), Association of Program Directors in Radiology (APDR), and Society of Chairs of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD). To encourage innovation and improvement in health sciences education by providing research opportunities to individuals throughout the world who are in pursuit of advancing the science of radiology education. In addition, this program will help build a critical mass of radiology education researchers and promote the careers of persons advancing the science of radiology education.

**Deadline:** January 10, 2018

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