THE ACADEMY ANNOUNCES 2023 INDUCTEES TO THE COUNCIL OF DISTINGUISHED INVESTIGATORS

The Academy for Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Research (the Academy) is pleased to announce that 59 investigators have been selected to receive the Academy’s 2023 Distinguished Investigator (DI) Award. This prestigious honor recognizes individuals for their outstanding contributions to the field of medical imaging. This class will be welcomed as part of the broader Council which includes a network of nearly 500 imaging investigators.

"Year after year we are impressed by the caliber of the Distinguished Investigators,” remarks Michael F. McNitt-Gray, Co-Chair of the Academy’s Council of Distinguished Investigators. “Their outstanding efforts and contributions set a high standard for future medical imaging investigators."

This year’s cohort of Distinguished Investigators includes investigators from various institutions among the Academy’s membership – academic, industry and society. The goal of recognizing these imaging investigators is to highlight their accomplishments, rather than qualifications.

“This year, as we welcome several alumni members of the Academy Council of Early Career Investigators in Imaging (CECI²) as part of this year’s Distinguished Investigator Council, we are once again reminded of the importance of recognizing, encouraging and supporting the accomplishments of early career investigators. We are honored to recognize this transition for Drs. Bauer, Huang, Lee, Solingapuram Sai and Wang.” says Academy Executive Director Renee Cruea.

Each of the honorees nominated by academia or a member society have met the following criteria:

- Primary professional appointment in an academic Department of Radiology
- Recipient of a MD, DO, and/or PhD degree(s)
- Academic rank of at least Associate Professor or its equivalent
- Sustained productivity, including at least 25 peer-reviewed scientific research publications in which the awardee is the first author or senior author
- Demonstrated accomplishments as an independent investigator with a substantial ongoing research program, including at least 6 cumulative years of
funding as the Principal Investigator of a major competitive extramural research grant

Each of the honorees nominated by industry have met the following criteria:

- Primary professional role as an employee of one of the Academy’s industrial partners
- PhD, MS, and/or MD or DO degrees
- Holds a corporate title of Principal Scientist/Engineer or higher
- Significant research and development contributions, demonstrated in either listed and attached patents OR attached key papers.
- Sustained productivity with at least 10 high-impact patents for technologies that have had a demonstrated impact on patient outcomes or population health in Radiology.
- Demonstrated accomplishment in Industry with a substantial ongoing research and development programs (have spent at least 6 cumulative years in charge of significant corporate research and development programs for products that have had a demonstrated impact on patient outcomes or population health in Radiology)

The Class of 2023 will be inducted into the Academy’s Council of Distinguished Investigators this fall during the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA). The ceremony and celebration, which will also honor this year’s Gold Medal Awardee Dr. Hedvig Hricak, will take place in-person at McCormick Place in Chicago, IL on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, from 3-5PM CT. Room location details are forthcoming.

For more information about the Academy’s Distinguished Investigator award, including future nomination information for 2024, please visit: [http://www.acadrad.org/award-description/](http://www.acadrad.org/award-description/), and for any questions regarding the council please contact Casey Cappelletti, ccappelletti@acadrad.org.

**Congratulations to the following 2023 Inductees:**

*Nominating institution is reflected in this list.*

*Also a member of the CECI² Council*

Seppo P. Ahlfors, PhD
Massachusetts General Hospital

Priti Balchandani, PhD
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Mustafa R. Bashir, MD
Duke University Medical Center

Adam Q. Bauer, PhD*
Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, Washington University, St. Louis

Kristy K. Brock, PhD
The University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center

Stefan A. Carp, PhD
Massachusetts General Hospital

Shigao Chen, PhD
Mayo Clinic

Jagpreet Chhatwal, PhD
Massachusetts General Hospital

Erik N.K. Cressman, MD, PhD
The University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center

Eran Dayan, PhD
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Carlo N. De Cecco, MD, PhD
Emory University

Vibhas Deshpande, PhD
Siemens Medical Solutions, USA, Inc.

Jonathan R. Dillman, MD, MSc
Society for Pediatric Radiology

Adam E. Flanders, MD
Society for Imaging Informatics in Medicine

Chris A. Flask, PhD
Case Western Reserve University

Michael Grass, PhD
Philips

Jiang He, PhD
University of Virginia

Lingzhi (Lance) Hu, PhD
United Imaging

Chuan Huang, PhD
Emory University

Susie Y. Huang, MD, PhD*
Massachusetts General Hospital

Hyungsoon Im, PhD
Massachusetts General Hospital