

## RADIOACTIVE NEWS

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## RSSA Neuroradiology and Body Imaging Advances Congress

One of the mandates of the Radiological Society of South Africa (RSSA) is to benefit the medical community and in turn patients by bringing world leaders in imaging to South Africa. In this vein, the RSSA Neuroradiology and Body Imaging Advances Congress will take place at the eponymous Sandton Convention Centre from 28 to 30 August this year. Jointly arranged and funded by the RSSA, the Radiological Society of North America International Visiting Professors Programme (RSNA IVP) and the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM) Global Outreach Programme, the congress reflects the cutting edge of neuroradiology and advanced imaging strategies in other body areas.

The programme is very comprehensive and well balanced, and will be presented by an international faculty of seven distinguished radiologists from Europe and the USA; their lectures will be available on CD to all participants. There will also be a free paper session, as well as a poster exhibition. The best paper by a South African junior

radiologist or registrar (and RSSA member) will qualify for the RSSA Travel Award of R20 000. In addition, the Medical Imaging Society of South Africa (MISA) sponsorship provides for a refund of R1 000 to each of up to 20 registrars who incur long-distance travel and accommodation expenses in attending the congress; this is awarded to the first 20 registrars who register before the early-bird deadline of 17 July.

A course of this nature is essential for all radiologists, neurosurgeons, neurologists, psychiatrists, neuro-oncologists, vascular surgeons and radiographers. The emphasis will be upon the rational and cost-effective application of, mainly, advanced MR technology.

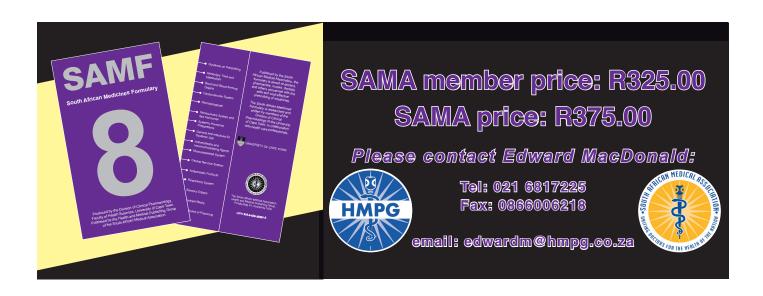
Programme, booking and accommodation details are on the website www.rssaneuro-rad2009.co.za.

## RSSA/Stoller: Update in Sports Medicine

Planned to take place a few months before the FIFA World Cup 2010 kick-off in Cape Town (and just a few hundred metres from the actual stadium), the first and exclusive RSSA/Stoller Update in Sports Medicine course will be presented on 19 and 20 March 2010 by Dr David Stoller (MD, FACR), the internationally renowned orthopaedic and musculoskeletal radiologist of San Francisco, USA. The RSSA is delighted and grateful to acknowledge Siemens Health Care (Southern Africa) for an unrestricted educational grant in support of this event, and Bayer Schering Pharma for sponsoring the website and registration. Enrolment is limited to 300 registrants. The course chairman is Professor Leon Janse van Rensburg.

Dr Stoller is internationally recognised as one of the leading authorities in orthopaedic and sports medicine, and is the author of one of the most authoritative textbooks on the topics. This is the first comprehensive course conducted outside the USA solely by Dr Stoller. The focus is on precise, rapid mastery of accurate interpretation of MR joint studies.

The course will be held at the luxurious and well-appointed BMW Pavilion (formerly the IMAX theatre) in Cape Town's V&A Waterfront. The time of year is late summer, and the weather invariably warm and idyllic. Registration details are on the website www. stollercapetownupdate2010.co.za. For enquiries regarding registration, advertisements and exhibitions as well as scientific, general and social programmes, please contact Christelle Snyman, RSSA/Stoller 2010 Update, PO Box 19063, Tygerberg 7505, South Africa, tel. +27 21 938 9245 or email csnyman@sun.ac.za.



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