STANDING OVATION for MR. MRI, 5TH ANNUAL ARMRIT SEMINAR

Las Vegas, Nevada:

Raymond V. Damadian, MD, who is considered by many as the “Father of MRI” was the keynote speaker at the fifth annual meeting of the American Registry of MRI Technologists (ARMRIT) held at the Stirling Club in Las Vegas, Nevada last October 21-23 2010. The lecture was aptly titled “The History and Genesis of MRI, the Indomitable Machine.”

After a fitting introduction of Dr. Damadian, discussing his struggles in inventing the first body MRI machine, and his earlier and continuing contributions in the discipline of MRI, by Wilfrido M. Sy, MD, Chairman and Executive Director of ARMRIT, all attendees spontaneously rose and gave him a 2 minute standing ovation. This was befitting a man who gave his mind, heart and soul in the invention and development of the Indomitable Machine.

...attendees spontaneously rose and gave him a 2 minute standing ovation. This was befitting a man who gave his mind, heart and soul in the invention and development of the Indomitable Machine."

The 5th annual meeting was the best attended yet and the consensus was all speakers and the topics discussed were outstanding and excellent, since they were educational, informative and germane to the practical and clinical day to day work of the attendees in their respective centers. The introduction of PET-MRI imaging was very well received except for one who thought it was “above the person’s head”. It was not the intent to promote PET scanning itself but rather introduce the basic concepts and how it interfaces with MRI. Wilfrido M. Sy, MD was offered the opportunity to place into perspective his past pivotal contributions and which is still on-going in the field of MRI. Many of the attendees are familiar with his name, but were not exactly conversant with the size of the role he played in the invention of this revolutionary imaging modality. Brief as his stay was, because of his tight schedule (he left after he delivered his lecture), still many attendees had the opportunity to talk with an MRI walking history and had some photo shoots with him.

Leonard Lucey, ACR Senior Director and Counsel Las Vegas, Nevada:

Leonard Lucey, who is currently the American College of Radiology Senior Director & Legal Counsel, delivered a lecture centered on the CMS changes of the MIPAA law in 2012.

Mr. Lucey has been with the ACR, after he started his legal career in the Military for many years; and rose to his current position as counsel and is the one person who is most knowledgeable and qualified to talk on this topic and how the changes will affect practitioners of imaging modalities exclusive of MRI.

LEONARD LUCEY, ACR Senior Director and Counsel Las Vegas, Nevada:

CMS Deadline Set: January 2012 CMS Requires MRI Sites To Be Accredited & MRI Techs to Be Certified.

It was made clear that ARMRIT certified technologists are accepted as integral to the technical staff of imaging centers whether free-standing or hospital based services that are certified by ACR. The moderator at one point also underscored that ARMRIT certifies MRI technologists and (Continued on pg. 2)
We will keep holding our meetings at the Club as long as this remains the most competitive venue.

DATES OF MEETING:
The consensus from the assessment sheets favor holding the meeting as had been traditionally held from Thursday to Saturday in October. So we will keep these as the days for the meeting.

"The first two meetings held in Las Vegas outside the Stirling Club, not only were they not cost effective but the quality of the meals and service was not exactly acceptable".

SUGGESTIONS:
There were many and diversified suggestions for future topics and speakers. This is wonderful. Now because of the limited time and slots not all of these suggestions can be carried out at the next meeting. But rest assured that many of these suggestions will at one time or another become topics for future meetings.

Again, we thank you for your feedback, comments and obviously your support and attendance.
Wilfrido M. Sy, MD

Los Angeles County, CA, Department of Health Services
Los Angeles, CA

Has included ARMRIT certification in the selection requirements for MRI Technologist positions in LA County Hospitals.

James F. Coffin, President


To round up the above all other moderators consisting of Albert Cayton, MD, Paul Heubeck, and William O’Connell, ARMRIT’s newest board member who introduced the concept of PET & MRI did their assignments eloquently.
Wilfrido M. Sy, MD
We would like to thank our valued Member, Wilfrido M. Sy, MD, for once again hosting his prestigious conference for the American Registry of Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists at the Club. Dr. Sy is the Chairman and Executive Director of ARMRIT and worked closely with our catering team to plan all of the events. James F. Coffin, President of ARMRIT, welcomed all attendees, oversaw all of the education and presented the closing remarks for the conference. This was a three day event with the highlight being the keynote presentation by DR. Raymond Damadian, regarding the “History and Genesis of MRI, A Machine called Indomitable.

Once scorned by the scientific community, MRI, pioneered by Dr. Damadian has become the most precise imaging modality in the diagnosis of pathology brain, spine, heart, pelvic areas, ect… Indeed it can be safely stated that MRI imaging is the internal imaging breakthrough of the century. As Henry Ford revolutionized the transportation industry nearly eighty years ago, likewise, Dr. Damadian has revolutionized the medical imaging field in our time. We appreciate Dr. Sy holding this event at the Club every year and look forward to working with him and producing many more successful events for him.

Wilfrido M. Sy, MD is a Clinical Assistant Professor in Radiology from the Weill School of Medicine at Cornell University.

'As Reported in the January / February 2011 Issue of 'The Stirling Club Magazine’

General Information:

E-mail: armrut@msn.com
Web: www.armrit.org

- Update your contact information, send an e-mail to:
  - armrit@msn.com
- To Verify a Tech's Certification Visit:
  - www.armrit.org
- Renew your CPR/BLS online visit www.armrit.org and Click on the:
  - Pro CPR Box

ARMRIT
“Because MRI is a Specialty”

ARMRIT
8815 Commonwealth Blvd.
Bellerose, NY 11426

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) REQUIREMENT
Bellerose, NY

All ARMRIT Certified MRI Technologists are required to renew their certification before expiration and must submit evidence of six (6) CME credits per year for a total of twelve (12) CME credits in MRI Technology as awarded by the AMA, ACCME, AHRA, or other material found suitable by the board of directors.

New Certified MRI Technologists:
New ARMRIT Certified MRI Techs are not required to submit evidence of CME credits until their third calendar year of certificate renewal, including the year the Certified Tech successfully completed the examination.

CME Topics:
Continuing medical education credits must be derived from topics related to Magnetic Resonance Imaging technology and/or MRI patient care and safety.

Note: Subjects other than MRI will not be accepted.

ARMRIT Recognition:

- Veterans Administration Medical Imaging Department.
- American Council on Education's College Credit Recommendation Service (ACE CREDIT).
- Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE), a member organization.
- Los Angeles County, CA, Department of Health Services.
- Ohio Department of Health.
- Oregon Board of Medical Imaging Technology (formerly OBRT).
- West Virginia Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technology Board of Examiners.
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- American College of Radiology (ACR) MRI Accreditation Committee.
ARMRIT 2010

Charlie Daniels, ARMRIT of Sharp & Children's MRI Center, San Diego, CA and Dr. Raymond V. Damadian, MRI Inventor and President & CEO of Fonar Corporation, Melville NY.

Tim Troncale, ARMRIT, RT, CPI of Alliance Imaging, Anaheim, CA & MRI Program Director of West Coast Ultrasound Institute, Beverly Hills, CA lectures on MR Cholangio-Pancreatography (MRCP).

Efrain Salvador, ARMRIT, Maureen Lawrence, ARM RIT, and Tim Casey, ARMRIT of San Diego Imaging, Chula Vista, CA co-workers share a photo at the Stirling Club.

ARMRIT 2011

5th Annual Meeting & Seminar


Maureen Lawrence, ARMRIT of San Diego Imaging, Chula Vista, CA & Dr. Raymond V. Damadian shares a photo after his wonderful lecture.

(Left to Right) Efrain Salvador, Jim Coffin, Bill Woodward, Maureen Lawrence, Tom Schrack, Dr. Wilfrido M. Sy, Charlie Daniels, & Tim Casey in front of the fireplace & ARM RIT 2010 banner.

Charlie Daniels, ARMRIT of Sharp & Children's MRI Center, San Diego, CA and Jim Coffin, ARMRIT President at the cocktail reception, Thursday, Oct. 23rd.

5th Annual Meeting & Seminar

William Woodward, ARMRIT of Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR lectures on Cardiac MRI.

William O’Connell, Dr.Ph, DABR, Columbia University Medical Center, NYC, NY lectures on MRI-PET Fusion Imaging.

Dr. Raymond V. Damadian is thanked by Jim Coffin for his lecture on the invention of MRI and his machine called “Indomitable”.

ARMRIT 2011

6th Annual Meeting & Seminar

Oct. 27-29
Stirling Club
@ Turnberry Place
Las Vegas, Nevada

See Agenda on Page 5 & Fill Out Registration Form On Page 7 & Fax to: 718-347-8691
ARMRIT 2011: 6th Annual Meeting & Seminar - October 27-29
Stirling Club-Turnberry Place, 2827 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV 89109

Directions from Airport:
1: Start out going EAST on WAYNE NEWTON BLVD.  
2: WAYNE NEWTON BLVD becomes S. SWENSON ST.  
3: Turn LEFT onto E. NAPLES DR.  
4: Turn RIGHT onto PARADISE RD. to Turnberry Place.

For Accommodations: at the World Famous Las Vegas Hilton thru September 27-See Page 6:  
Call Directly - 800-635-7711. Ask for Rooms for the ARMRIT group.

Program Schedule:  
Thursday Oct. 27 7pm – 9pm  Cocktail Reception  
Friday Oct. 28 8am – 4pm  Lecture Series-Breakfast & Lunch Provided  
Saturday Oct. 29 8am – 4pm  Lecture Series-Breakfast & Lunch Provided

Chair: Wilfrido M. Sy, MD, Clinical Assoc. Professor in Radiology, Weill School of Medicine, Cornell University., NY

Topics & Lecturers

"MR Enterography: Technique and Applications ", Sean Beaty, MD, Radiology Specialists, Ltd., Las Vegas, NV

"MRI Accreditation Clinical Examination Submission ", Theresa Branham, BSRS, RT, MRI/CT Accred. Mgr., ACR, Reston, VA

"Accreditation Standards for MRI Programs ", Romulo Genato, MD, FACS, The Brooklyn Hospital Center, Brooklyn, NY

"Clinical PET/MRI: A Dawn of a New Clinical Imaging Modality ", Karin Knessarek, DABR, Assoc. Prof., Mt. Sinai Med. Ctr., NY

"The Role of MRI in Clinical Veterinary Neurology ", Donald Levesque, DVM, DACVIM, Veterinary Neurological Ctr., LV, NY


"Breast MRI & MRI-Guided Procedures ", Irina Rondel, MD, Director of Breast Imaging, The Brooklyn Hospital Center, Bklyn., NY

"Fetal Brain Imaging ", Thomas Schrack, BS, ARMRIT, Manager MR Educ. & Tech. Dev., Fairfax Radiology Consults., PC, VA

"Magnetic Resonance Bio-effects, Safety, & Patient Management: 2011 ", Frank G. Shellock, Ph.D., USC, Los Angeles, CA

"Pre Natal / Post Partum Pediatric Imaging in MRI ", Timothy Smith, ARMRIT, Providence Health Systems, Portland, OR

"Image Quality-The Art of the Technologist ", Timothy Troncale, RT(MR), ARMRIT, CPI Alliance Imaging, CA

"Cardiac MRI, Works in Progress ", William Woodward, ARMRIT, Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR

Accreditation: this course will meet all criteria as approved by AHRA:
The Association for Medical Imaging Management for 12 Category A Continuing Education Credits.

Fill Out Registration Form on Page 7 and Fax to: 718-347-8691
World Famous Las Vegas Hilton
thru September 27, 2011
Call Directly at: 800-635-7711 between 6:00am to 12am Daily
Ask for Rooms for the ARMRIT group (code 'SGARMR1')
Rates: Premium Rooms $79 per night. Single or Double

All registrants are encouraged to book early for preferred accommodations!
**ARMRIT 2011 - REGISTRATION FORM**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>ARMRIT Certificate# / Non-ARMRIT / *Student</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>City, State/Province, Zip/Postal Code, Country</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Telephone</td>
<td>Fax</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E-mail</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Emergency Contact Name and Telephone**

**Registration Fees:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Registration Type</th>
<th>Early Registration thru July 1, 2011</th>
<th>July 1, 2011 – On site</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ARMRIT Tech (Oct. 27 - 29)</td>
<td>$350</td>
<td>$400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ARMRIT Tech Oct. 28 Only!</td>
<td>$200</td>
<td>$225</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ARMRIT Tech Oct. 29 Only!</td>
<td>$200</td>
<td>$225</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-ARMRIT (Oct. 27 - 29)</td>
<td>$400</td>
<td>$425</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-ARMRIT Oct. 28 Only!</td>
<td>$225</td>
<td>$250</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-ARMRIT Oct. 29 Only!</td>
<td>$225</td>
<td>$250</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>*Student Price</td>
<td>$300</td>
<td>$350</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**MRI School** - (see www.armrit.org):

| Non-Attendee Spouse or Guest for Cocktail Reception – Oct. 27 | $75 |

Total $____

**Payment Options:** Check ____ Money Order ____ Make Payable to: ARMRIT

Pay by Credit Card: (check one)  Master Card _____ Visa _____ American Express _____ Discover _____

Card Number: ____________________________________________ Expiration Date: _______________________

Name of Cardholder (Print): ______________________________________________________________________

Authorized Signature: ______________________________________Date: ________________________________

Fax to: 718-347-8691 or Mail Registration Form To: 8815 Commonwealth Blvd.
Bellerose, NY 11426

*Student Price: Applies only to MRI Students attending programs offered by MRI Schools listed on www.armrit.org.

Special Needs: If you have any special needs or dietary requirements, please let us know so that we may do our best to accommodate you. Contact ARMRIT at 718-347-8690 or e-mail ARMRIT@msn.com

Cancellation Policy: A refund (less a $100 administrative fee) will be processed for any cancellation made in writing prior to September 1, 2011. No refunds after September 1, 2011