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1. What are your key areas of interest and research?

When I started radiology training I was struck by the haphazard methods radiologists use to create reports. So, I have spent most of my career trying to improve radiology communication.

2. What are the major challenges in your field?

Since well before I became a radiologist, my research has focused on artificial intelligence in medicine. But radiology reports are almost exclusively narrative text, so applying even basic artificial intelligence methods has been challenging.

3. What is your top management tip?

I like this quote from Lao Tzu: "A leader is best when people barely know he exists, when his work is done, they will say, 'we did it ourselves'." A close corollary, attributed to various U.S. presidents, is: "It's amazing what you can accomplish if you don't care who gets the credit." +

4. What would you single out as a career highlight?

My #1 highlight is my long-time service on the [Radiology Informatics Committee \(RIC\) of RSNA](#). It has been such a pleasure to work with this incredibly talented group of volunteers and staff.

5. If you had not chosen this career path you would have become ...?

... Silicon Valley computer scientist.

6. What are your personal interests outside of work?

I recently moved back to Silicon Valley, so I regularly take advantage of the scenic and challenging bicycle routes in the foothills here.

7. Your favourite quote?

"To be simple is to be great." Succinct wisdom for all facets of life, from Ralph Waldo Emerson.

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