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In Recognition of an Outstanding Career



Prof. Iain McCall Awarded Gold Medal at ECR 2012

Adding to his 2010 award of Honorary Membership of the RSNA, Prof. Iain McCall, M.D., D.M.R.D., F.R.C.R., and Editor-in-Chief of IMAGING Management (2006 – 2012), was in March presented with the Gold Medal of the European Society of Radiology (ESR) for outstanding contributions in the field of medical imaging. Not only was Prof. McCall lauded for his significant accomplishments in the field of musculoskeletal radiology, but also his contribution to the development of European radiology both with his Presidency of the European Society of Radiology (ESR) and on a political stage in advocating for and developing a legal framework for teleradiology in Europe.

Prof. McCall has received many honours throughout the span of his career, including honorary membership in the German, French, Austrian and Hellenic radiology societies and the European Society of Skeletal Radiology, the founders' gold medal of the International Society of Radiology and the gold medal of the Turkish Society of Radiology. Since 1996, Prof. McCall has been a professor of radiologic sciences at the University of Keele in Staffordshire, U.K. For the past 33 years, he has also worked as a consultant musculoskeletal radiologist at the Robert Jones & Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic & District Hospital. He subsequently served as Medical Director of the NHS Hospital Trust where he worked. Prof. McCall served as Editor of Skeletal Radiology from 1997 to 2007, was Deputy Editor of Clinical Radiology from 1987 to 1994 and has been editor of IMAGING Management since 2006.

Prof. McCall's tireless commitment to radiology extends on many levels: As well as rising to Dean of the Faculty of Clinical Radiology of the Royal College of Radiology, he also served as the U.K. representative for radiology to the Union of European Medical Specialists (UEMS) and President of the Radiology section. He has served as Chairman of the Professional Organisation Committee of the European Association of Radiologists (EAR), which later became the ESR, and was responsible for revising the five-year radiological curriculum that was adopted by most EU countries. He established and ran a programme assessing radiology teaching centres in Europe and helped to develop the continuing medical education and development policy for European radiologists.

On an international level, Prof. McCall remained deeply involved with the union of the EAR and ECR to form the European Society of Radiology through the drafting of the ESR statutes, which he developed over two years, becoming the first directly elected President of the ESR from 2008 – 2009. Not only this, but he has carried out tremendous work for the development of a legal framework for teleradiology within Europe, to ensure continued high quality of patient care. He represented the EAR on the International Radiology Quality Network during the development of the international standards for teleradiology, and produced guidance documents on Good Radiological Practice and Teleradiology.

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