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Welcome AMSER members to 2012! Our year has been an exceptional one with many new endeavors, many being presented at the AUR meeting. For those who will be attending, the schedule of speakers and times are provided and the program appears to be as strong if not stronger than past conventions. For those unable to attend the meeting, we will do our best to make materials available on our website with increasing speed and ease. Please check out the new website which is about to be unveiled.

We will be introducing our revised AMSER promoted curriculum, a new programming resource centered on student specific learning objectives and major additions to our electronic materials. Most exciting will be the ExamWeb and availability of our equivalent of a "shelf exam" starting this summer 2012. Increased use of our materials and access remains our core mission.

Membership dues remain our main source of income and fundamental to further expansion. Please reach out to a colleague or school and promote renewed or new members. Also be cognizant of enrolling your coordinator into membership and AMSCR, our growing group of dedicated coordinators who specialize on student programming. The exchange and network has doubled in size since 2011.

I look forward to seeing you all in San Antonio. Chris Straus, MD — AMSER President

Listed below are a few of the AMSER Sessions this year

Monday March 19th	2:00—3:30pm: AMSER Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday March 20th	7:00—8:15am: AMSER/RAHSER Effective Radiology Research 8:30—10:00am: AMSER Lucy Squire and APDR/ACR Keynote Address 10:30—12:00pm: AMSER Learning Objectives 2:00—3:30pm: AMSER/ACER Avoiding Educator Burnout 4:00—5:30pm: A3CR2/APDR/SCARD/ACER/AMSER Brogdon Panel Discussion 6:30—8:30pm: AUR Welcome Reception
Wednesday March 21st	7:00—8:15am: AMSER Member Meeting 8:30—10:00am: AMSER Learning Objectives Part 2 4:00—5:30pm: AMSER/ACER Workshop Electronic Education Exhibits 5:30—7:00pm: AMSER/ACER Reception and Open House
Thursday March 22nd	8:30—10:00am: SNM/APDR/AMSER/SCARD/APCR Training and Certification of the Molecular Imager of the Future 10:30—12:00pm AMSER Radiology WebExam Training

AMSER Shared Educational Resources

The AMSER Electronics Committee has had a very busy but productive year, thanks to everyone on the committee who have contributed so much. We are currently considering a committee name change to reflect the wide scope of our 'products'.

Current project updates:

Radiology ExamWeb

- 2100 students have taken exams in REW
- Current database of approximately 1550 question items (600 added last year)
- Current database has been categorized against the AMSER curriculum
- First 900 question items have undergone item statistical validation (where deployed >30x) and edited where appropriate
- Areas of the AMSER curriculum not currently tested will be identified and items written (2012 goal)
- Further software upgrades are currently being installed including the ability to get advanced statistics from exams, and sort exam items

An 'advanced' Radiology Exam workshop will occur at AUR 2012. Advanced registration required (contact petra.lewis@hitchcock.org)

AMSER Standardized Exams ('shelf exam')

- The exam will be deployed via Radiology ExamWeb
- Exam topic template has been developed and refined by the committee
- Outline made for 3 'standardized exams' of 100-120 questions each
 - Approximately 2/3 of items will be of the same basic topics in all 3 exams (but different questions per exam) with 1/3 topics varying between the exams
- Exam Version 1 has been put together
- Version 1 will be piloted (volunteer sites needed) and validated in March and April 2012 and available generally by summer 2012
- Versions 2 and 3 to be developed and tested during later 2012 with aim to be available by AUR 2013



AUR website updates

- Preliminary plans made for proposed website update and reorganization when AUR website redo occurs (summer 2012)
- Current site updated and reorganized with addition of several resources
- Working with AUR Electronics Committee on the look and content of the AUR site, AMSER's will follow the new design

AMSER resources

- AMSER Professionalism Module - has been posted on site and a 'resident' version of the module is posted by APDR
- AMSER Residency Guide - 2011 version was updated and posted

AdHoc Long Range Planning Committee

Our purpose is to establish long term goals for the organization, and develop methods and support to accomplish these goals. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for the committee to consider, email them to the Committee Chair, **Nancy McNulty** at nancy.mculty@hitchcock.org



Alliance of Medical Student Coordinators in Radiology (AMSCR)

This new organization was launched under AMSER umbrella last year at the annual AUR meeting in Boston. Its goal is to encourage camaraderie among clerkship administrative coordinators and to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas.

We have been working with current AMSER members in helping to identify coordinators who would benefit from our new alliance. Currently we have a total of 11 members.

Our immediate focus is to establish committee goals and discuss our current methods for managing our clerkships.

AMSCR will have a planning meeting on Thursday, March 22nd from 10:30—12:00pm. Anyone interested in joining AMSCR please feel free to attend. Any questions, please contact:

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The Hank Goldberg Prize

Henry Goldberg, MD, was a UCSF Professor and a founding member of AMSER. He was an internationally recognized authority in abdominal and gastrointestinal radiology and longtime advocate and teacher of students at all levels in radiology. The AMSER Henry Goldberg Medical Student Award of \$500 (supported by this fund) may be presented annually at the AUR Annual Meeting to a medical student(s) who submits an outstanding abstract for a paper, poster, or electronic exhibit. Contributions to this fund will honor Dr. Goldberg's memory and acknowledge medical student educational efforts

2012 AMSER Henry Goldberg Medical
Student Award Winners:

Dana J. Lin, BA
Dartmouth Medical School

Membership Update

The Membership Committee would like to welcome its newest AMSER members. There are 15 in total:

Vikas Agarwal, MD
Andre Duerinckx, MD, PhD
Brian Englander, MD
Robin Greenspan, MD
Terrance T. Healey, MD
Tracey Hillier, MD
Tabassum A. Kennedy, MD
Shaked Laks, MD
Melissa Manzer, MD
Shyam Sabat, MD
Richard H. Stern, MD
Rachel M. VanHulle, MD
Jimmy W. Wang, MD
Jeffrey R. Wesolowski, MD
Gary J. Whitman, MD

Welcome!

To contribute to either the Hank Goldberg Prize or other AMSER related funds, please download the appropriate form from the AMSER website and submit to the AUR with your check. More information found at the link below:

http://www.aur.org/Affiliated_Societies/AMSER/AMSER_Funds_and_Prizes.cfm

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Radiology educators are encouraged to join AMSER to take advantage of the camaraderie and to take advantage of the exchange of ideas and resources.

AMSER members are encouraged to get involved in organizational leadership, resource development, and presentations at future meetings. Please help spread the word about the benefits of AMSER membership for local and international colleagues, as well as medical students.

We look forward to seeing you at the AMSER sessions in San Antonio at the 2012 Meeting of the AUR .