

SRS Travelling Bursary 2018 Report
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I would like to thank the Scottish Radiological Society for supporting my visit to Liverpool to attend RCR18. This was my first attendance at the Royal College of Radiologists' annual conference and one that I found very worthwhile.

For the first time ever, trainee workshops had been added to the conference schedule. With only one day at the conference and my FRCR 2B exam looming, I planned my attendance around these sessions. They comprised a combination of didactic teaching and hands-on experience, with one or two delegates per workstation.

The first session on 'Breast imaging for the FRCR 2B' provided much needed revision on examination favourites and highlighted several areas where more reading was definitely required. A session on emergency abdominal CT focussed on small bowel obstruction with lots of excellent cases covering a variety of common and less common pathologies. The final session I attended was entitled 'MSK – trauma radiograph interpretation'. I added several review areas to my rapid reporting checklists on the back of this talk. In between sessions I spent my time perusing the various exhibitor displays and enjoying the generous hospitality provided.

During the conference I presented a poster entitled 'Improving Axillary Sentinel Lymph Node Imaging in Breast Cancer Patients.' This work was carried out along with two nuclear medicine physicists. Our poster detailed an audit and re-audit of patients undergoing axillary sentinel lymph node (SLN) imaging at Glasgow Royal Infirmary. The initial audit found we were identifying SLN's in just over 80% of patients, well below the recommended standard of 95%. Several changes to departmental protocol including radionuclide administration and imaging technique were made. Our repeat audit showed a significant improvement, with SLN's identified in 97% of patients. We were fortunate enough to win first prize in the Clinical Radiology Audit ePoster Competition 2018.

I would recommend RCR to radiology trainees of all grades, particularly following the addition of trainee workshops this year. I would once again like to thank the Scottish Radiological Society for their support.

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