SRS Travel Bursary Report RSNA, Chicago 2018

Many thanks to the SRS for the funding towards my trip to the Radiological Society of North America's annual meeting in Chicago in 2018. Here I presented an educational exhibit poster entitled "The Varying Faces of Progressive Multifocal Leukoencephalopathy" which was a pictorial review of PML, particularly focusing on cases with unusual presentations or atypical imaging findings. This work was put together in conjunction with Dr Natasha Fullerton (consultant neuroradiologist) and Dr Pushkar Shah (consultant neurologist) at the Institute of Neurological Sciences in Glasgow. We were pleasantly surprised to be awarded an RSNA *'Cum Laude'* prize for this work.

This was my first time to RSNA and it was an impressively large scale event, filling the McCormick Place Convention Centre in Chicago. As well as a wide and highly varied schedule of lectures, interactive educational sessions and scientific presentations to fill the days, there was also a 'Learning Centre' which displayed numerous paper and digital posters, and 'case of the day' presentations for each specialty, which could be browsed in your own time. For trainees, there was a trainee lounge providing daily lunches and refreshments, and of course the opportunity to network with other radiology trainees from around the world. There was also a timetable of trainee social events.





Chicago itself is an enormous city located on the shore of Lake Michigan with the Chicago River running through the city. During a bit of down-time from the conference, an open-topped boat tour of the city provided excellent views and background information of the city architecture and imposing skyscrapers. The Field Museum of National History is also well worth a visit.

Overall, my visit to RSNA was a great experience, with top quality educational programmes, cutting edge research and the opportunity to network. It's also an opportunity to visit a large metropolitan city in the freezing cold.

I would certainly recommend it to any radiology registrar to attend, making the most of the free registration fee for trainee members.

