

RSNA 2009 Honorary Members

Honorary Membership in RSNA is presented for significant achievements in the field of radiology. At RSNA 2009, Honorary Membership will be given to Lizbeth Kenny, M.D., of Brookfield, Australia; Borut Marincek, M.D., of Zurich, Switzerland; and Ho-Young Song, M.D., of Seoul, Republic of Korea.

Lizbeth Kenny, M.D., FRANZCR, is a champion of multidisciplinary cancer management, working to underscore radiology's role in revolutionizing patient care.

Dr. Kenny is director of cancer services for the Central Area Health Service in Queensland, Australia.

"Dr. Kenny's work is brimming with evidence of her extraordinary ability to deliver excellence, no matter the setting or the scale," said 2009 RSNA President Gary J. Becker, M.D. "From her care of the individual cancer patient to her service as interdisciplinary team member and clinical trialist, from her leadership in specialty organizations to her advocacy for radiologists as central members of the cancer care delivery team, she gives it her all."

Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Dr. Kenny immigrated to Brisbane, Australia, at age 12. She earned her medical degree from Queensland University in 1980 and completed a residency at Royal Brisbane Hospital and specialty training in radiation oncology.

Dr. Kenny spent nine years in private practice before being appointed a senior staff specialist in radiation oncology at Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, a position she has held since 1997. She became director of cancer services at Queensland Health in 2005.

Multidisciplinary collaboration is the most beneficial approach to patient care, according to Dr. Kenny, and she touts the advent of new developments in interventional radiology as helping to transform the healthcare system. With the Central Area Health Service, she has helped establish a statewide plan for universal cancer services. She was 2001–2004 chair of the National Assessment of Clinical Cancer Research Grants Applications and 2002 president of the Clinical Oncological Society of Australia, an organization encompassing more than 20 specialist, procedure and cancer-

specific groups for clinical cancer care.

Dr. Kenny was president of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (RANZCR) from 2005 to 2007. As RANZCR president, Dr. Kenny worked to redirect radiologists toward a central role in patient



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care. She also served as dean of the Faculty of Radiation Oncology from 1998 to 2002. During her term as dean, she oversaw development of Australia's National Strategic Plan for Radiation Oncology.

Active in both research and leadership, Dr. Kenny has authored scientific publications on topics including radiology workforce issues, the influence of belief systems in the quality

of life of patients with cancer, the conundrum of whole-body CT screening and radiation therapy trends and practices. She is currently a principal investigator in a number of chemoradiation trials.

"I have admired the RSNA all my professional life and it has been a privilege and true pleasure for me to work with RSNA closely over these past years," said Dr. Kenny. "RSNA is a vital organization and it will remain at the forefront of maximizing the benefits that radiology can bring to the world community at large."

An esteemed educator and natural leader, **Borut Marincek, M.D.**, is helping to guide radiology's advancement throughout the world.

Dr. Marincek is a professor of radiology and chair of the Institute of Diagnostic Radiology at Zurich University Hospital. He is also the first Swiss president of ECR.

"Dr. Marincek personifies the best attributes of a Swiss scientist and humanist—he is not only hard-working, precise and exquisitely

cultured, but also thoroughly gentle, kind and giving," said 2009 RSNA President Gary J. Becker, M.D.

"Honorary Membership in RSNA is not just a personal honor for me, but it is also a very special honor for my team in our department at the Zurich University Hospital and for the European Congress of Radiology (ECR)," said Dr. Marincek. "It will strengthen the transatlantic bonds and common professional interests."

Born in 1944 in Solothurn, Switzerland, Dr. Marincek received his medical degree from the University of Zurich Medical School. During his residencies at the University Hospitals of Zurich and Berne he studied pathology, diagnostic radiology, nuclear medicine and radiation oncology and afterward joined the staff of Berne's Institute of Diagnostic Radiology (IDR).

In 1979, Dr. Marincek traveled to the U.S. to pursue a research fellowship in oncologic diagnostic radiology at Stanford University Hospital. He then returned to IDR at Berne as a clinical associate. He achieved the rank of associate professor of radiology at Berne in 1986 and was appointed IDR vice-chair in 1987. In 1993 he became a professor of radiology at the University of Zurich and from 1995 to 1997 he also served as chair of the Institute of Diagnostic Radiology and Nuclear Medicine at Zug Cantonal Hospital.

With Dr. Marincek presiding, ECR 2009 in Vienna received an all-time high number

of abstract submissions and welcomed a record 18,200 participants from 97 countries, as well as lecturers and moderators from more than 40 countries, under the motto "The Summit of Science." The symbol chosen to represent the congress was an image of a famous Swiss mountain peak—the Matterhorn. Highlights of the meeting included the popular "ESR meets" sessions, where radiologists

from Switzerland, Croatia, Australia and New Zealand presented their latest scientific achievements, and an opening lecture delivered by RSNA President-elect Hedvig Hricak, M.D., Ph.D., Dr. h.c.



Borut Marincek, M.D.

Ho-Young Song, M.D., Ph.D., has come full circle since his days as a radiology resident in Korea dreaming of standing at an RSNA podium to present a scientific paper.

In the roughly three decades since then, Dr. Song has become an internationally recognized authority on interventional and cardiovascular radiology.

"It is good fortune that in my career, my path has intersected with Dr. Song's, and, as a result, I have gotten to know this outstanding leader and prolific, yet extremely humble, innovator who holds approximately 20 stent patents," said 2009 President Gary J. Becker, M.D.

Dr. Song called RSNA a "dream stage," particularly for Asian members with tradition of unfailing dedication to education. He has since presented scientific papers from RSNA podiums more than 60 times.

Dr. Song is a professor of radiology and section chief of the Department of Vascular and Interventional Radiology at the University of Ulsan, College of Medicine in Seoul, Korea, which he joined in 1993. He became a profes-

sor in 1998 and chair of the Department of Radiology in 2002 before assuming his current position in 2006.

Under the promotion of the Korean government, Dr. Song started the company S&G Biotech, providing expertise for vascular and nonvascular stents, and now serves as the company's advisor.



Ho-Young Song, M.D., Ph.D.

Dr. Song's research in vascular and nonvascular interventional radiology began at Jeonbuk National University in Jeollabuk-Do, South Korea, where he earned his medical degree in 1979 and returned as an assistant professor of radiology in 1986. During his seven years at the university, he collaborated

with specialists in other disciplines to develop esophageal stents. Dr. Song holds American and European patents for a self-expanding endovascular stent.

Dr. Song has been a visiting professor at numerous universities in Japan, the U.S., Spain and Sweden. He has been invited to present 262 lectures all around the world.

Currently a section editor of nonvascular section of the *Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology*, Dr. Song has also served on the editorial boards of journals including the *Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology*, *Journal of Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology* and *Journal of Chinese Interventional Radiology*.

"It is a tremendous honor and thrill to have been chosen as an RSNA honorary member," he said. "Since I started my residency in radiology, I have been deeply grateful to have been inspired and nurtured by RSNA and its enthusiastic members, with whom I have a longstanding scientific and personal friendship."

For expanded versions of the biographies of Drs. Kenny, Marincek and Song, see the *RSNA Meeting Program* or go to RSNA.2009.RSNA.org and click Meeting Program in the left-hand column.

