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Birgit B. Ertl-Wagner, M.D., Ph.D., Joins RSNA Board

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CHICAGO – Today during its annual meeting, the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) elected Birgit B. Ertl-Wagner, M.D., Ph.D., to the Society's Board of Directors. Dr. Ertl-Wagner will serve as the board liaison for science.

Dr. Ertl-Wagner is radiologist-in-chief of the Department of Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto and a professor in the Department of Medical Imaging at the University of Toronto. She holds the Derek Harwood-Nash Chair in Medical Imaging and is senior associate scientist in the Neurosciences & Mental Health Program of the SickKids Research Institute.

"Serving on the board is an utmost honor, and I am deeply committed to supporting RSNA's growth and excellence. During my term, my goal is to foster innovation through impactful education, support meaningful research and champion the integration of cutting-edge technology," Dr. Ertl-Wagner said. "I will strive to help make a positive, lasting impact on RSNA and the radiology community and help radiology professionals deliver the highest quality care and drive improvements that benefit patients and the medical community as a whole."

Dr. Ertl-Wagner's clinical interests lie in the field of pediatric neuroradiology, including tumor imaging, imaging of neuroinflammatory and metabolic disorders, neurovascular imaging, and head and neck imaging. Her research is characterized by an interdisciplinary approach, with a focus on MRI, imaging-based AI and translation of research into clinical settings.

She has been involved in numerous professional societies for decades, including RSNA, the Canadian Association of Radiologists, the German Radiological Society, the European Society of Radiology, the American Society of Neuroradiology and the American Society of Pediatric Neuroradiology. Her contributions to RSNA have encompassed service as committee member, program planner and abstract reviewer. She is regularly listed among the leading neuroradiologists in Europe and North America.

The recipient of the RSNA William R. Eyler Editorial Fellowship in 2012, Dr. Ertl-Wagner has demonstrated dedication to scholarly publication through her work as a longstanding deputy editor for Radiology, senior consultant to the editor for Radiology and Radiology Advances, as well as service on the editorial board of several other highly respected international radiology journals.

Dr. Ertl-Wagner received the RSNA Honored Educator Award in 2023 and 2024. She serves on multiple committees of national and international scientific societies and has received many awards for her research and teaching.

Dr. Ertl-Wagner completed her medical degree, residency and fellowship training at Ludwig-Maximilian University Munich. She earned a Master of Health Business Administration at the Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg in Germany. Dr. Ertl-Wagner's postgraduate work also included a research fellowship with the

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