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Royal College of Radiologists and The British Society of Thoracic Imaging Agreement to support a travelling professorship

- 1. The Royal College of Radiologists (RCR) and the British Society of Thoracic Imaging (BSTI)] agree to jointly fund a travelling professorship.
- 2. The purpose is:
 - To highlight the role of thoracic imaging in the UK
 - To promote best practice with regards to acquisition and reporting techniques
 - To promote thoracic imaging as a specialist interest in future careers
 - To provide thoracic teaching at both trainee and consultant level to centres that might not have access to such training opportunities.
- 3. The recipient will be known as the RCR/BSTI Travelling Professor
- 4. The travelling professor will be expected to undertake visits to training programmes, over the term of appointment, to deliver teaching. This may take the form of formal lectures, workshops or small group teaching or be a combination of methods.
- 5. The number of visits will be agreed on appointment, but is expected to be in the order of four to eight.
- 6. When availability allows, the RCR can be used as a venue for a London-based event.
- 7. The travelling professor will be expected to deliver a live webinar for the RCR which will be recorded and made available via the RCR's e-learning hub. A copy of the recording will be provided to the BSTI to make available on their site.
- 8. The RCR and BSTI will jointly retain the intellectual property rights to any enduring products (e.g. webinar recordings) created as a result of this agreement.
- 9. The travelling professor will retain the intellectual property rights in the content of their teaching.
- 10. The professorship will be jointly badged as an RCR and BSTI award and the two organisations will coordinate any publicity and communications on this topic.
- 11. Any use of the title "Professor" should be limited to the period that the appointee is in post.
- 12. The BSTI and RCR will commit to provide matched funding up to a maximum of £2,500 per organisation for each professorship. The total sum will cover preparation (e.g. reasonable materials) and travel expenses for the professor and the costs of filming. RCR administrative staff time will not be charged for from this sum.
- 13. There will be no remuneration paid to the professor or their employer.
- 14. RCR and BSTI will both advise their members when applications are open, for example through e-mail and printed bulletins and newsletters.
- 15. BSTI will be responsible for the selection of the professor. The selection process should be fair and transparent, and consistent with equality legislation. The RCR will approve the proposed candidate prior to appointment.

- 16. BSTI may set further reasonable expectations for professors, such as presenting at an annual meeting.
- 17. The position will normally be held for a period of 12 months, starting in September.
- 18. The RCR will manage all other administration of the award, including all finances, and the coordination of visits to training programmes.
- 19. The RCR will invite applications from training programmes for visits and will, in discussion with the professor, select centres based on: the record of previous or planned visits for this and other RCR travelling professorships; the perceived need for the training in the programmes; the practicalities of arranging visits with the selected professor.
- 20. The RCR will invoice the BSTI annually and retrospectively for the matching funds once costs are known.
- 21. Travelling professors will be expected to adhere to the RCR's travel and expenses policy. All awards are made on the basis of single person visits, with no provision for partners or children, or additional travel.
- 22. This agreement may be terminated at any time by either organisation. In that event any currently appointed professor will be expected to complete their term of office.