

JAMES A BRINK: HONORARY MEMBER OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MEDICAL PHYSICS, 2015



When it comes to leadership in moving radiation protection in radiology to a level that its impact can be evident, the name of Dr. James Brink comes shining.

His contributions through Image Wisely, as founding co-chair, the Scientific Vice President for Radiation Protection in Medicine of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) and chair of the NCRP scientific committee that defined diagnostic reference levels for medical imaging in the United States (NCRP Report No. 172, 2012), he plays many roles at a global level.

Dr Brink is Radiologist-in-Chief at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) and the Juan M. Taveras Professor of Radiology at Harvard Medical School. He earned a BS degree in Electrical Engineering at Purdue University and an MD at Indiana University before completing his residency and fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital. He joined the faculty at the Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology at Washington University School of Medicine where he rose to the rank of Associate Professor prior to joining the faculty at Yale

University in 1997. Promoted to Professor in 2001, Dr. Brink was appointed Interim Chair in 2003 and Chair of the Yale Department of Diagnostic Radiology in 2006. On February 1, 2013, Dr. Brink left Yale to serve as Radiologist-in-Chief at MGH. While he has broad experience in medical imaging, including utilization and management of imaging resources, he has particular interest and expertise in issues related to the monitoring and control of medical radiation exposure. Dr. Brink is a fellow of the Society for Computed Body Tomography/Magnetic Resonance and a fellow of the American College of Radiology (ACR). For ACR, he serves as on the Executive Committee as Vice-Chair, Board of Chancellors. For the American Roentgen Ray Society (ARRS), Dr. Brink is Past-President (2011-2012); he was awarded the ARRS Gold medal in 2015.

“The global reach of the IOMP speaks to its importance in the care of patients world-wide, and I am most humbled to be awarded honorary membership in such an august organization,” said Brink.

It is most appropriate that Dr Brink is among the first batch of two Honorary members of IOMP and will be awarded at the World Congress on Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering being held at Toronto on 6-12 June 2015.

I have personally been amazed how Dr Brink is able to participate in so many activities and can accomplish so much, as he does.

Congratulations on behalf of IOMP Executive Committee

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