



McGill University

THORACIC RADIOLOGY

GENERAL INFORMATION

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| Location | The Montreal General Hospital and the Royal Victoria Hospital (Glen site) Montreal, Quebec, Canada |
| Duration | 1 year |
| Deadline for Applications | Early PGY 4 Deadline for receipt of applications is September 30 (18 to 20 months prior to start date) |
| Number of Fellowship Positions | 2 total (Canadian and international medical graduates) |
| Fellowship Website | http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/radiology/fellowship_program.htm |
| Contact Information | <p>Fellowship Director: Dr. Alexandre Semionov</p> <p>Fellowship Coordinator/Administrator: Cathy Torchia Tel: (514) 934-8084 cathy.torchia@muhc.mcgill.ca</p> |

WORKFLOW

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| General structure | <p>General structure: Thoracic CT and Radiographs reporting , alternating between both hospital sites</p> <p>Monday- Friday: Thoracic CT and Radiographs reporting, providing upon request consultations to clinicians and radiology technologists (CT protocols, preliminary interpretations, specific clinical questions, etc.)</p> |
| Are there times when fellows overlap and share work? | Fellows are assigned to different hospitals at any given time to avoid overlap. Daily volume of thoracic cases is large enough to guarantee adequate amount work for all fellows and residents assigned to Thoracic imaging rotation. Competition for cases should not be an issue. |
| How many rounds are you expected to attend? Contribute to? | <p>Attend: The fellow is expected to attend the multidisciplinary chest rounds held every Friday morning at 8:00 at the Glen. There are also pulmonary rounds held weekly at the MGH on Thursday mornings at 8:00, room D7-310.</p> <p>Contribute to: The fellow might be solicited to prepare cases for presentation at the weekly thoracic and/or GI tumor boards.</p> <p>Chest club is held twice a year in the evenings in conjunction with the CHUM thoracic radiologists, where interesting chest cases from both institutions are presented. The fellow is expected to attend and is encouraged to bring cases.</p> |

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| Other than rounds, are there teaching responsibilities? | The fellow is expected to give resident teaching rounds on a regular basis (on average once per month). In addition, the fellow is responsible for teaching and reviewing with the medical students and residents in the department. |
| How procedure focused is the fellowship? | Learning to perform trans-thoracic needle lung biopsies is an integral part of this fellowship program. |
| Which procedures are you responsible for? | Trans-thoracic needle lung biopsies (TTNA) are performed at both sites (10 per week on average between both sites). It is the fellow's responsibility to check with the booking clerks or CT technologists to see when these are scheduled and arrange with the attending staff to participate in these procedures. Normally pleural drainages are performed by the abdominal section. In rare circumstances of symptomatic pneumothorax post TTNA, a chest tube will be put in by the thoracic radiologist responsible for the TTNA; fellow's participation is expected. |
| Additional Comments about Workflow: | Minimum of 15 CT and 30 x-ray/day, and most of TTNA (on average 4-5/week). |
| RESEARCH | |
| What are the Research Expectations? | <p>Fellows are expected to pursue a research project during their fellowship. The fellows must present their project to the research committee for approval, preferably as early in the year as possible. The project must be something that will lead to a publication or a presentation/poster at a scientific meeting. The fellows are also expected to present their research at the McGill Annual Research Day held in April.</p> <p>Potential conferences for presentation of papers or posters include the RSNA in early December in Chicago, the Canadian Association of Radiology ASM in Montreal in April, and the Society of Thoracic Radiology (STR) ASM in March, location variable. The STR in particular is a very valuable meeting in terms of academic quality and it is suggested that every effort be made by the chest fellow to attend and present at this meeting.</p> |
| How much protected time is given for research (per week)? | Once the research committee has approved the project, the fellow will be granted ½ academic day per week. This half day will be flexible and will be taken when it accommodates the work schedule and the fellow's schedule. |
| CALL | |
| General | Maximum one week in four of full chest call coverage. The fellow will be expected to help cover the call/work schedule for either the week of Christmas or New Year's. |
| Responsibilities on Call: | Carrying the call pager from Monday to Friday to answer any calls with respect to chest CT at the MGH and Glen. Saturday and Sunday the fellow will be responsible for assisting the staff on call with the reading of all emergency and inpatient chest CTs from the MGH and Glen. The fellow will have staff backup at all times during his call. Chest procedures done on call are rare, there will occasionally be a complicated pleural drainage requiring CT guidance. When this occurs, the fellow is expected to assist the staff in whatever way is required. |
| Is there a call stipend? | No |

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| Additional comments about call | On weekends and holidays the fellow needs not to come in for a defined period of time to read out the cases performed during the on call period. The fellow can read cases remotely from home provided that he/she has PowerScribe and other necessary software and hardware installed on his/her home computer. There is no post-call day in the chest fellowship. Any reasonable call requests made in advance will be satisfied as much as possible. |
| HOLIDAYS AND PAY | |
| Number of paid holiday's (in weeks): | 4 weeks + 1 week for Christmas /New Years |
| Sick and Caregiver time (in days): | 9.6 days of leave |
| Extra time off (in days): | Conferences: 10 days Study days: 7 days |
| Income before tax (CAD): | \$75,000 starting July 2016 |
| Opportunities for additional income (directly related to the fellowship): | Yes |
| Additional Comments about Holidays and Pay: | Fellows are personally responsible for paying the Canadian component of the McGill tuition fees. |