Clinico-Radiological Congress to be organised by M.R.S. on 26/10/79 and 27/10/79

The Council at its meeting held on 21/8/78 discussed that we should take advantage of the Radiologists and others coming for the Asian Oceanic Congress and that we should organise a Clinico-Radiological Congress on a large scale on Friday, 26/10/79 and Saturday 27/10/79. The Congress in Singapore is due to start off on Sunday 28/10/79. Members are invited to put forward any views or suggestions on this matter.

Consent for Intravenous Urogram Examination

This was discussed at length and it was felt that this should not be made compulsory for as yet consent for the IVU examination is not still taken in the hospitals in the United Kingdom, though some hospitals in the States do practise this procedure. We feel that the doctor who is requesting for this examination feels the need for such an investigation and that if consent is persisted upon, this may frighten the patients from the examination which may thereafter lead to improper patient care and diagnosis, particularly in those patients with serious illness of the urinary tract.

Protecting for IVU Examination with Potassium Iodide

It was strongly felt that the present system employed by the government hospitals, that is, using potassium iodide as a screening test for iodine sensitivity, serves no purpose and provides a false sense of security as regards contrast reactions. A letter to this effect would be sent to the Ministry of Health explaining that pretesting for an IVU with potassium iodide is out-of-date and that patients are unnecessarily scared for this unreliable “test done”. Full resuscitative measures are to be made available whenever an IVU examination is carried out at any hospital or private radiological practice. We feel that the radiologists in this country must collectively agree to the practice of radiological procedures which can be dangerous to the public. Your views on this matter for any procedure are welcome. The Malaysian Radiological Society is also establishing a Central Monitoring System for Radiation and this would be made known to you as soon as facilities for this have been looked into.

Enclosed for those who have as yet not become members, but are practising radiology, are application forms for membership and we shall be pleased if you would become a member of our Society.

Our membership now stands at 5 life members, 12 ordinary members, 2 associate members and 4 trainee members.


Enclosed is a pamphlet (for members only due to limited copies) of the Third Asian Oceanic Congress of Radiology to be held from 28/10/79 to 3/11/79. Members are requested to submit any suggestions or topics they have for this Congress. The Malaysian Radiological Society has suggested the following topics to our counterparts in Singapore. They are Buerger’s Disease, Primary Arteritis and Long-standing Congenital Hearts.