ACVR 2020 Virtual Meeting- VRTOG business meeting

Review of leadership of VRTOG – Jenny Schutte finishing her term as Member-At-Large. To be replaced by Kim Selting. Nick Rancillio will be replacing Ira Gordon as Chair. Isabelle Vanhaezebrouk has accepted nomination as incoming Assistant Chair. These changes take effect December 1, 2020

Membership Report- 41 member institutions in 2019 but only 16 paid members as of now in 2020. Likely due to delaying in launching the membership portal at new ACVR website and potentially challenges using the website to register VRTOG memberships. Instructions for this process were reviewed:

Payment details:

1. Log into your user profile on acvr.org.
2. Please add your Group name to the organization spot of your user profile (SEE SCREENSHOTS). We need the name of the organization to associate with the VRTOG membership with.
3. Once you add the name of your group to your profile, head to the “Shop” which is located on the left hand side of the window.
4. VRTOG will be reflected in the “Membership” category for you to select and complete payment.

Financial Update – Currently have $34,926 in unrestricted funds.

AAPM Working Group for the VRTOG

- Minimal activity in 2020 due to semi-retirement of the committee chair and COVID-19 associated distractions
  o The committee is working to identify a new chair

Parminder Basran provided an update on some topics of relevance from AAPM:

- Availability of radiation safety resources/surveys
- Proposal for a veterinary Radiology/RO focused session at the 2021 AAPM annual meeting
  o If approved, speaker to be selected based on the meeting agenda
    ▪ Eric Green has expressed interest

Clinical Studies review

- Melanoma Oncept +/- RT – Published in VRU (Turek)
- Palladia Canine Nasal Trial – 2nd draft of manuscript drafted (Tara Ehling, MK Klein)
- AGASACA Retrospective study – To be redrafted for another journal, target Fall 2021 (Flesner)
- Genitourinary TCC and RT Multicenter Retrospective Study – At last follow-up, manuscript was in preparation but no updates in last 12+ months (Benoit)
- Zoetis Funds--$40,000 – ACVR has agreed to allow VRTOG to use these funds for a VRTOG-approved clinical trial involving Palladia. Open call for proposals – One proposal has been received.

Discussion topics
- Revisiting VRTOG toxicity criteria with updates focused on late effects on organs not addressed in previous version (ie. Trachea, esophagus, nasal cavity). – Charlie Maitz, Michael Kent, Michelle Turek, and Ira Gordon expressed interest
  - Follow up survey of radiation facilities and associated physics support was suggested by Michael Kent.
    o Ira Gordon suggested combining this survey with information needed depending on plans for AAPM group. This may entail requests for commissioning information, safety information, or other procedures.
  - Parminder Basran discussed the availability of safety resources and a safety survey through AAPM.
    o Ira Gordon suggested the idea for anonymous completion of the safety survey for potential publication.

VRTOG Minutes from 2019 and 2020 to bet sent out to membership following meeting