



SPR Research and Education Foundation

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Dear Members of the Society for Pediatric Radiology,

We are writing to express our heartfelt gratitude for the opportunity to serve as co-chairs of the Philanthropy Committee of the Society for Pediatric Radiology Research and Education Foundation (SPR REF) for the past 25 years. It has been an honor to contribute to advancing pediatric radiology research and education through this foundation.

The SPR REF was informally established in 1988 with a \$250,000 endowment, and it awarded its first grant in 1990. This marked the beginning of a legacy dedicated to supporting groundbreaking research and education in pediatric imaging. By 1994, the Foundation was formally incorporated, solidifying its role as a cornerstone of pediatric radiology advancement.

Over the years, the Foundation has funded over 160 grants to investigators representing over 60 institutions, with awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$100,000, totaling over \$3.1 million since its inception. These grants have supported collaborative multicenter trials and other transformative projects that have significantly impacted the field. As of this year, 34 pediatric radiologists from outside North America have received support to participate in an SPR annual meeting through the Foundation's Heidi Patriquin Fellowship Award for International Education. The Jack Haller-Thomas Slovis Award for Excellence in Pediatric Radiology Education continues to be bestowed, recognizing pediatric radiology educators' commitment and excellence in pediatric radiology education.

A pivotal moment in the Foundation's philanthropic history came in 2005 with the launch of the first "Campaign for Children". Under the leadership of Dr. David Kushner, as SPR Board Chair, alongside Executive Director Jennifer Boylan, we created this campaign using marketing techniques, such as brochures, the web, selling merchandise and a live auction, as well as direct appeals to expand the Foundation's funding capacity. It aimed to increase both the number and size of grants awarded, enabling more impactful research and education initiatives.

The second "Campaign for Children," initiated in 2014, further advanced these goals. This campaign not only sought to grow the funding base but also encouraged SPR members to consider including the Foundation in their estate planning. The campaign's success was bolstered by an expanded committee that included Drs. Beth Kline-Fath, George Taylor, Dianna Bardo, and Ryne Didier, with Dr. Janet Reid as the SPR REF President.

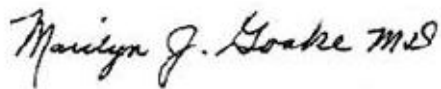
SPR's CEO, Angela Davis, supported the Committee's efforts. Her enthusiasm, administrative expertise, and technical skills greatly enhanced our committee's outreach and effectiveness. We have really had fun being a part of this initiative and staying connected to SPR and the Foundation!

We now step down from this committee after 25 years of service. We reflect with pride on what we all have accomplished together. The Foundation has become a beacon for pediatric radiology research, supporting innovative projects that improve imaging techniques and patient care for children worldwide. We are confident that its next iteration will continue to sponsor groundbreaking work that shapes the future of our field.

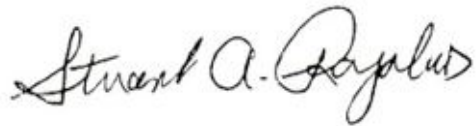
We extend our deepest gratitude to all who have supported the Foundation's mission over the years. Your collective efforts have made a lasting impact on pediatric radiology and will continue to do so for generations to come.

Thank you once again for allowing us to be part of this incredible journey. It has been a privilege to serve alongside such dedicated individuals committed to advancing pediatric imaging.

With Warm regards,



Marilyn Goske, MD



Stuart Royal, MS, MD

In appreciation for the unwavering dedication and support of
Dr. Marilyn Goske and Dr. Stuart Royal, please consider
donating to the Foundation in their honor.

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The Mission of the Foundation is to assess the research and education needs of the pediatric radiology community and develop funding programs to address these needs; evaluate applications for funding and make grants for the research and education that will further the art and science of pediatric imaging; and to raise and manage the funds that make these grants possible.

