UCLA Radiology expands into North Hollywood

The UCLA Department of Radiology brings world-class expertise to the North Hollywood community with the launch of our UCLA North Hollywood Imaging and Interventional Center. The new facilities opened in October 2021, occupying two floors that cover more than 12,000 square feet. Over 100 UCLA radiologists bring a wealth of expertise to the community, with subspecialists available to interpret specialized studies. Our Imaging and Interventional Center brings the latest and most innovative technologies to the community, including the Siemens MAGNETOM Vida 3-Tesla MRI. This scanner has the latest advances that allow it to adapt to the patient’s body and movement, resulting in higher-quality images while increasing patient comfort. The Siemens Drive CT has dual-source capability, resulting in high-quality images, and supports specialty studies including gout and cardiac evaluations.

North Hollywood residents will also be able to receive interventional radiology procedures closer to home. The center will be able to perform procedures that were previously available only in hospitals or ambulatory surgery centers, like endovenous laser treatment. Patients requiring image-guided biopsies, drainages, ports, IVC filters and PICC lines will have the option to go to a community imaging center rather than recovering at a hospital. At our Women’s Imaging Center, 3D mammography, breast ultrasounds and breast biopsies are offered in a female-only setting designed to promote ease and comfort. 3D mammography has been shown to have 40 percent greater specificity and 15 percent fewer call backs for additional patient evaluations than traditional mammograms.

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Nanette DeBruhl, MD, has contributed $250,000 in memory of Dr. Lawrence W. Bassett (RES ’74). The late Dr. Bassett, who passed away in December 2020, was a member of the UCLA faculty since 1974 and held the Iris Cantor Endowed Chair in Breast Imaging until his retirement in 2016. A professor of radiological sciences beloved by his colleagues and patients, Dr. Bassett was considered one of the “fathers of breast imaging” and played an important role in its gaining recognition as a subspecialty. He was internationally known for his role in the development of national guidelines to ensure high-quality mammography through the Mammography Quality Standards Act. Of all his accomplishments, he was most proud of the UCLA Breast Imaging Fellowship, which he established in 1987.

With Dr. DeBruhl’s gift, the lobby across from the Iris Cantor Breast Imaging Center in the Peter Morton Medical Building at 200 Medical Plaza will be named The Bassett Lounge in Dr. Bassett’s honor. The gift will transform the waiting area for breast imaging patients and make it a comfortable space in his honor.

Dr. DeBruhl wanted us to know that he was not only her boss and colleague, but a friend and mentor. He helped launch the careers of UCLA residents and fellows over a period of 40 years. Through his mentorship and expertise in breast imaging, these doctors are still saving women’s lives and perpetuating Dr. Bassett’s legacy.

World’s first fully robotic embolization demonstrates potential of remote procedures

The expertise needed to meet the most challenging medical emergencies and perform the most complex interventional procedures tends to cluster in population centers, and within those areas it tends to further cluster within a relatively few academic medical centers. But patients in need of care can live anywhere, especially in these times of working remotely.

Robotic procedures offer the possibility of bridging the medical expert and the medical need, regardless of their locations. The signals that cross the procedure suite during a routine robot-assisted procedure can theoretically also cross the continent or the world.

Satoshi Tateshima, MD, professor of radiological sciences and interventional neuroradiologist, established an important proof-of-concept last year when he performed the first fully robotic embolization. He has since successfully repeated the feat four times.

In the past, such procedures were all done manually, with an interventionalist in the procedure room, or they were done in a hybrid fashion with the catheter inserted manually and robotic control used for the rest of the procedure.

“But I wanted to do everything robotically,” says Dr. Tateshima. “That was my vision and that’s what we did.”

The patient Dr. Tateshima operated on had a severe case of COVID-19 that put him at risk for blood clots. The blood thinner he was given to prevent the formation of clots caused chronic nosebleeds, which necessitated the embolization procedure. When Dr. Tateshima performed this remote procedure, the patient wasn’t thousands of miles away. He was just in the procedure room next door. But this technique could be used to span any distance.

“Eventually, for complete remote robotics, we should be able to perform everything,” says Dr. Tateshima. “The technology is there. With 5G, I think it’s possible.”

In addition to removing geographic barriers to care, fully robotic procedures can avert exposure to infectious disease and ionizing radiation for the interventionalist.
Recent Radiology Events

Radiology Residency Retreat
On November 5, 2021, the chief residents organized a day-long retreat for all radiology residents. The retreat took place in Manhattan Beach and was filled with team-bonding activities. The residents used this time to set goals for the academic year and learn more about one another.

End-of-Year Event
On June 3, 2022, The Department of Radiological Sciences hosted the annual end-of-year event at the Skirball Cultural Center. This outdoor dinner allowed the department to celebrate its many successes of the 2022 academic year as well as honor the outgoing fellows and residents.
On May 26, 2022, the Department of Radiological Sciences hosted our annual Radiology Research Day at Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center. This event highlights the research of trainees throughout the department. This year’s event showcased 27 different projects. Posters were displayed in-person and virtually. Viewers were able to vote on their favorite projects and four winners were selected. Congratulations to Jason Chiang, MD, PhD, (first place), Alex Chung, MD, (second place) and Daniel Bradley, MD, and Kenton Kagy, DO, (tied for third place).

### End-of-Year Awards

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Christina Jeong, MD
Charlotte Radiology (Charlotte, NC)
Emilie Nguyen, MD
Kaiser Permanente (Woodland Hills, CA)
Richard Rothman, MD
Charlotte Radiology (Charlotte, NC)
Eva Xia, MD
St. Jude Radiology (Fullerton, CA)

Interventional Neuroradiology
Hamidreza Saber, MD
Plans Pending

Musculoskeletal Imaging
Alan Alexander, MD
Plans Pending
Andrew Surman, MD
South Coast Radiological Medical Group (Laguna Hills, CA)
Pejman Taghavi, MD
Coastal Imaging (Manahawkin, NJ)

Interventional Radiology – Independent
Jason Hanley, MD
Radiology Ltd. (Tucson, AZ)
David Zucker, MD
Ocean Radiology Associates (New London, CT)

Interventional Radiology – Integrated
Jason Chiang, MD, PhD
UCLA (Los Angeles, CA)
Zachary Haber, MD
UCLA (Los Angeles, CA)
Brittany Harrison, MD
CAIMA at California Pacific Medical Center (San Francisco, CA)
Megan Sue, MD
Torrance Memorial Medical Center (Torrance, CA)

Residents’ Future Plans

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Musculoskeletal Imaging Fellow – University of Wisconsin
Jonathan Barclay, MD
Musculoskeletal Imaging Fellow – University of California, Los Angeles
Zaid Haddadin, MD
Musculoskeletal Imaging Fellow – Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology
Ashley Hu, MD
Musculoskeletal Imaging Fellow – University of California, San Diego
Adam Kinzel, MD
Abdominal Imaging Fellow – University of California, Los Angeles
Sipan Mathevosian, MD, MS
Interventional Radiology (Independent) Fellow – University of California, Los Angeles
Jeremy Middleton, MD
Musculoskeletal Imaging Fellow – University of California, Los Angeles
Steven Reed Plimpton, MD, MS
Breast/Body Imaging Fellow – University of Southern California
Brian Tsui, MD
Neuroradiology Fellow – University of California, San Francisco
Craig Wilsen, MD, PhD
Breast Imaging Fellow – Stanford University

Cardiothoracic Imaging
Amir Imanzadeh, MD
Plans Pending
Sohrab Nazertehrani, MD
Plans Pending

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Neuroradiology Private Practice (Remote)
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