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Bio

BIO

Dr. Loening is both a clinical radiologist and an active research focused on expanding the capability of MR and PET/MR as it relates to imaging of organs in the chest, abdomen, and pelvis. Clinical research aims include the application of new or improved MR sequences and reconstruction mechanisms to increase the speed, robustness, and diagnostic capability of body MR protocols, and combining PET molecular imaging agents with MRI to improve the diagnostic power of clinical imaging. Translation research aims include exploring new MR contrast mechanisms and contrast agents, such as for the stratification of cancer within the prostate and the identification of metastatic disease involvement of lymph nodes.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Diagnostic Radiology
- Body MRI
- Whole Body Imaging
- Genitourinary Radiology

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor - Med Center Line, Radiology
- Member, Bio-X

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Medical Scientist Training (MSTP) Grant Award, Stanford University School of Medicine (2004-2008)
- Stanford Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowship, Stanford University (2004-2006)
- National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship, American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) (2001-2004)
- Medical Scientist Training (MSTP) Grant Award, University of California Los Angeles School of Medicine (1999-2003)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Member, Radiological Society of North America (2009 - present)

- Member, International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (2014 - present)
- Member, Society of Abdominal Radiology (2015 - present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Fellowship: Stanford University Radiology Fellowships (2014) CA
- Residency: Stanford University Radiology Residency (2013) CA
- Internship: University of Hawaii Transitional Year (2009) HI
- Medical Education: Stanford University School of Medicine Registrar (2008) CA
- Board Certification: Diagnostic Radiology, American Board of Radiology (2013)
- Fellowship, Stanford University Medical Center, CA , Body MRI (2014)
- Residency, Stanford University Medical Center, CA , Radiology (2013)
- Internship, University of Hawaii, HI (2009)
- MD, Stanford University School of Medicine, CA (2008)
- PhD, Stanford University School of Medicine, CA , Bioengineering (2006)
- MEng, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MA , Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (1999)

PATENTS

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Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

My lab focuses on expanding the capability of MR and PET/MR as it relates to applications in body imaging. Clinical research aims include the application of new or improved MR sequences to increase the speed, robustness, and diagnostic capability of body MR. Translation research aims include exploring new MR contrast mechanisms and contrast agents, such as for the stratification of cancer within the prostate and the evaluation of the lymphatic system.

CLINICAL TRIALS

- 68Ga-PSMA PET/CT or PET/MRI in Evaluating Patients With Recurrent Prostate Cancer, Not Recruiting

Publications

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