

Happy New Year!



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Spend time where time matters, and trust in the rest that is unsaid.

We live in a world unlike any other that has ever existed. Faced with new challenges, a call for action, and numerous competing opportunities and responsibilities, it may feel like there just isn't enough time to do everything. However, this group has shown that we are capable. In the midst of each of the unique circumstances in our lives, we, Rayos Contra Cancer, have demonstrated how to manifest motivation to make a positive change in the world.

In a time-scarce world, we prioritize tasks where time matters the most. For us, this means focusing on helping one another, sharing our gifts and talents, and spreading love. In order to accomplish these aims, strong communication is vital (*thank you to everyone for being a strong communicator*). I think we have all seen how this immeasurably improves each effort. It is an aspect of RCC that I am especially proud of: our ability and self-driven motivation to communicate with each other, discover what we can accomplish for patients around the globe, and achieve every goal that we set.

But, we don't have the time to communicate *everything*. I wanted to take a moment to share some of the power behind what has gone **unsaid**.

All of us are modest about our real lives. All of us, in our own way, are striving to be leaders locally and examples in our communities. Whether we are clinicians, managing dozens (or hundreds) of clinic emails and tasks a day, residents ensuring that we fulfill our responsibilities (which constantly change and evolve), or students keeping pace with a difficult-to-grasp virtual learning environment, we have all held on to that *special* energy which fuels our shared mission. It is the very energy that makes you great locally which makes you great globally. Nothing can take that away from you.

Our clinic coordinators abroad are some of the silent heroes of our team. Their resolution to our mission and willingness to join our efforts in such a brief time speaks to the power of the mission. Documents are signed, clinics are mobilized and on-boarded, and information is shared with us that helps us regularly to improve. After training, they are still with us. We could not ask for more.

All of us are rising to new tasks, and everyone is trying to find how they can help. There has never been such a need for cancer care globally, nor have there been opportunities for global health and collaboration like there is today. Yet, despite the challenges of the unknown, this group has entrusted its faith in a cause which we are proving to be real.

So remember, each day that passes, whether filled with glorious new accomplishments, or just regular patient care, there is so much that we share with each other in the power behind the unsaid. Through the thick and thin, **all of us stay true to one another.**

"Spend time where time matters, and trust in the rest that is unsaid." As I now see it, my responsibility is to spend time in a way that most advances our mission and longevity. But I wanted to let you all know that part of me wishes to spend every day expressing my gratitude and humbleness to be able to work with each of you. At this point, it might take a new full-time position to say thank you, thank you, thank you! The gratitude I have is approaching unbounded levels. I hope we can all feel this energy together as we embark on 2021!

Yours truly,

-Ben

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Memorable Quotes from 2020

2D to 3D EBRT Curriculum

"Even if we had years of experience with 3D, we learned a lot of new things. It has definitely changed my career."

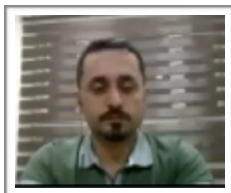
Kawtar Lakrad, Centre régional d'oncologie, Oujda, Morocco



"It is a great team that you have assembled... said with humbleness 😊 honestly, it is a well-organized course with dedicated staff and volunteers. Going into this course with RCC, I didn't know what to expect, so there was no baseline of certain quality or level.

What I have seen, is a motivated group of people that really want to give from the heart. You set the bar high with RCC."

Shada Wadi-Ramahi, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center,

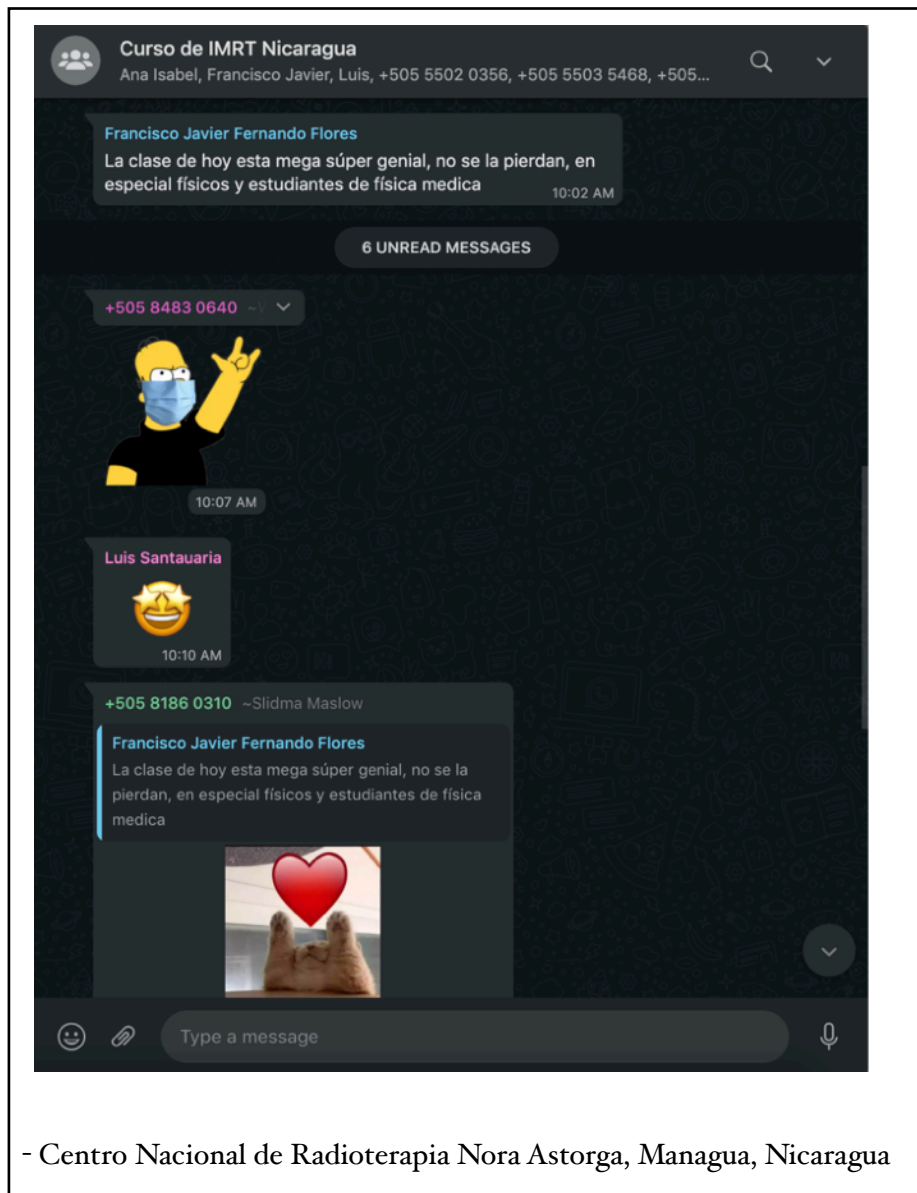


Yes, someone must keep it running.
you were so helpful to us, when we ask outside people for help or information we seldom get anything useful, not for free at least. We were shocked by your commitment, by the amount of information you gave us and by your readiness of answering our questions. You are giving a great favor to humanity because this course will change many things in our practice.

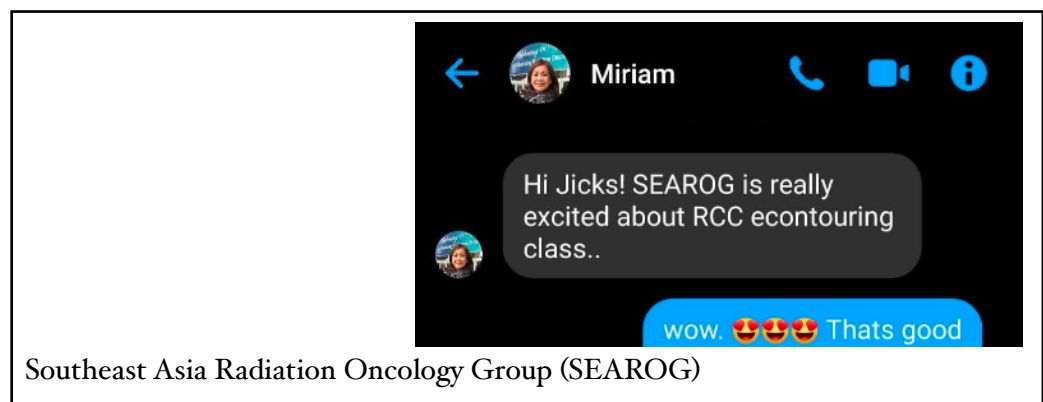
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Bestoon Hassan, Rizgary Oncology Center, Erbil, Iraq

IMRT 2.0 Curriculum



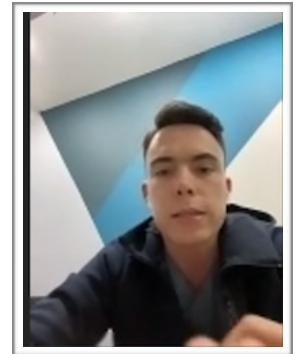
H &N Contouring and Plan Evaluation Curriculum



IMRT for RTTs Curriculum

"We haven't had any (formal) training on being radiation technologists. The field is changing – immobilization, treatments for patients, so education like this is very helpful. It's been a long time since we graduated. All of the instruction on VMAT, image verification, etc. is helpful. Some topics are review, and some are new. It is great to have dedicated teaching just for medical technologists. Since here the topics that are available are only local perspectives, the RCC perspectives are very helpful"

Camilo Rodriguez, Instituto de Cancerologia Las Americas, Medellín, Colombia



SBRT/SRS 2.0 Curriculum

"Hello everyone!"

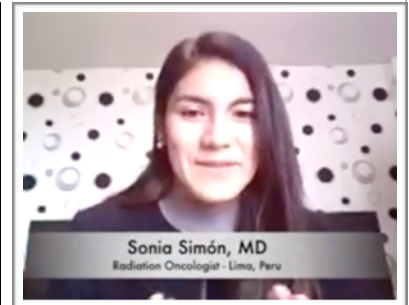
Thank you so much for all your support, the amazing lectures, the integrity and punctuality during each presentation. There were incredible and remarkable teachers and the quality of the classes was just superb.

Here, at Rebagliati Hospital, want to say that was an unforgettable experience and we are glad that now we are available to discuss SRS/SBRT with our team.

Never doubt that we will be waiting for participate in another of the courses that you'll organize.

We are waiting to hear from you, Take care and have a great day."

Sonia Simón, Hospital Nacional Edgardo Rebagliati Martins, Lima, Peru



And many more memories that deserve mention and that we will continue to create!