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Imaging in Stroke - An Update



L-R: Dr Sri Redla (Committee Chair, BIR Clinical Imaging Committee), Dr Anthony Maxwell (Speaker), Dr Damian Jenkinson (Event Chair), Dr Tony Rudd (Speaker)

The British Institute of Radiology hosted a very well attended *Imaging in Stroke - An Update* at the BIR's headquarters on Portland Place on 8 September.

Following the success and overwhelming response to a previous meeting in December 2009, the BIR organised a follow-up this year. With the National Stroke Strategy and the Government's 'FAST' campaign having kicked in last year, there is increased awareness of Stroke / TIA in the general population and there is a pressure to treat these patients in an appropriate and timely manner by the medical fraternity. The meeting gave an overview of the National Stroke Strategy, the demand and expectations it places on the Radiology departments across the country, the challenges and potential solutions.

Some of the highlights included a talk by Dr Damian Jenkinson (Stroke Improvement Program) on the *National Stroke Strategy* along with Dr Anthony Maxwell (Royal Bolton Hospital NHS Foundation Trust) on *Delivery of Stroke and TIA Imaging*.

Meeting organiser, Dr Sri Redla comments: "It was truly multi-disciplinary meeting covering all aspects of the diagnosis and management of stroke taking into account the DoH and NICE guidelines. It was very well received with active audience participation throughout the day".

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Notes to Editors:

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