

Science Council Associate Mentors Program (SCAMP): Mentor's Experience II

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Disclosures

- None

Do have leadership roles in AAPM.

Goals: Learn about AAPM. Get involved.



Also (Side benefit) extra career mentorship. Remember this is early career (graduate school)

Barriers & Needs

- Understanding the structure of AAPM
- How to get involved in committees & TGs
- How to be a valued contributor

Student perspective

"I always thought that to be involved in any sort of AAPM committee or task group I had to be an expert with 10-20 years of experience and someone would just approach me."



Leigh Conroy, PhD '17
*University of Calgary, Calgary,
AB*

Thesis: Respiratory and breath hold motion in contemporary breast irradiation: dosimetric impact and management techniques.

Supervisor: Dr. Wendy Smith, PhD, FCCPM



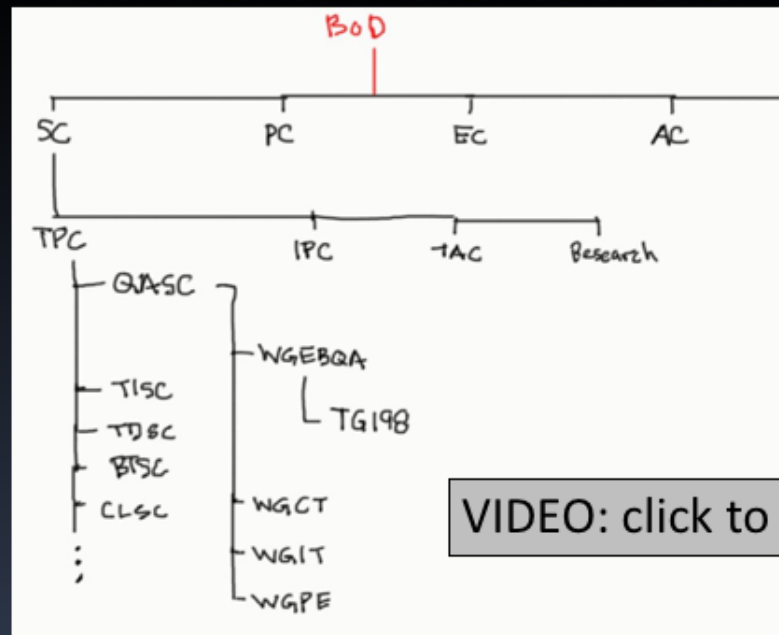
Eric Ford, PhD '97
Columbia University, NY
Thesis: X-ray observations of accreting black holes and neutron stars
Supervisor: Phil Kaaret, PhD

We have some common research interests: Respiratory management, Quality and safety

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Activities

- Shadowed at committee meetings
- Task Group member (TG-275, plan checks)
- Involved in Work Group (WGPE)
- WGSTR (vice-chair)
- Connected with Canadian group
- Spinoff project

Regular mentor meeting (both at AAPM and during year).

What worked & What could be improved

Pluses: good job connecting mentors/mentees, flexibility to approach in the way that works best, funding (allowed attendance at meeting). Area of improvement: planning and organization around annual meeting events, networking with one another, follow-up/connection with alumni.



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Conclusions

- AAPM as a “home” organization
- Get involved. Stay involved.

Thank you!

SCAMP mentors and students
Program leaders

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