Dr. Richard Fawcett

MBChB, FRCR

Current Role

I am a Consultant Musculoskeletal Radiologist and Lead Clinician for MRI at Leeds Teaching Hospitals and Honorary Lecturer at The University of Leeds. I am a Skeletal Trauma Radiologist for the Leeds Trauma Centre, Spinal Radiologist for the Yorkshire Regional Spine Centre and Radiology Lead for the Leeds Limb Reconstruction MDT.

My specialist interest areas are spinal radiology, musculoskeletal trauma and musculoskeletal interventional radiology.

Recent clinical advisory roles include working with the National Institute of Clinical Excellence (NICE) on the interventional radiology treatment for painful spinal metastases, producing guidelines for the European Society of Skeletal Radiology (ESSR) on musculoskeletal interventional techniques, and working with NHS England to formulate a national cauda equina pathway.

I regularly speak at national and international radiology conferences, teach trainee radiologists, lecture to medical students on musculoskeletal radiology and I am the director of the Leeds MSK radiology fellowship program.

I am an established reviewer for clinical and research papers for Clinical Radiology and the British Journal of Radiology.

I manage the reporting radiographer MSK service in Leeds and train the new radiographers in MSK plain film radiology.

My active memberships include The European Society of Skeletal Radiologists, the British Society of Skeletal Radiologists and the Royal College of Radiologists.

Medicolegal Practice

I have been undertaking medicolegal practice for five years and currently I produce approximately 20 reports per year. My work is a 50-50 ratio of claimant:defendant and comprises of all types of clinical negligence work. To date, I have never been required to attend court.

Published Work

Peer-reviewed publications:

- Fawcett R, Rowbotham E. interventional Radiology Procedures of the Shoulder. Seminars in Musculoskeletal Radiology. December 2022.
- Baren J, Thaker S, Fawcett R, Gupta H. Beyond the Hip Labrum: A Pictorial Review. Indian Journal of Radiology. August 2022.
- Fawcett R, Rowbotham E. Imaging of Shoulder Disorders. Orthopaedics and Trauma. April 2022.

- Mazarakis N, Baren J, Loughenbury P, Coutsarnakis C, Gupta H, Fawcett R. Site matters: percutaneous sampling of intervertebral disc results in increased positive diagnostic yield in spondylodiscitis. British Journal of Neurosurgery. December 2021.
- Hedge G, Thakar S, Botchu R, Fawcett R, Gupta H. Atraumatic fractures of the femur. British Journal of Radiology. March 2021.
- Fawcett R et al. Ultrasound-guided subacromial-subdeltoid bursal injections: a study of short and long-term outcomes. Clinical Radiology, Aug 2018.
- Fawcett R, McCoubrie P. Pitfalls in imaging the frail elderly. Commentary Article. British Journal of Radiology. November 2014. doi: 10.1259/bjr.20140699.
- Fawcett R, McCoubrie P. Extolling "palliative radiology" in the frail and elderly: each drop makes an ocean!: Author reply. Letter to the editor. British Journal of Radiology. April 2015. doi: 10.1259/bjr.20150096

Book Chapter:

- Fawcett R. Grainger A. Pitfalls in Shoulder Ultrasound. Pitfalls in Musculoskeletal Radiology. 1st Ed. Springer publications. Published 2017.

Abstract publications and Posters:

- Fawcett R, Jafari M, Grainger, A, Rowbotham E, Robinson P. Ultrasound-guided subacromial bursal injections. Electronic poster presented at European Society of Skeletal Radiology meeting, Zurich. June 2016
- Fawcett R, Bradley M. Role of Sonoelastography in planning percutaneous biopsy of soft tissue tumours. Electronic poster presentation at the International Society of Skeletal Radiology meeting, Edinburgh. Oct 2014
- Fawcett R, Davies A, James S. A study of MRI findings in suspected metal-on-metal reaction after hip arthroplasty. Abstract Publication in Clinical Radiology Supplement. Vol 68 S17. September 2013. Oral presentation at RCR Annual Scientific Meeting, September 2013, London.
- Fawcett R, Darby M. A study of the usefulness of bone scintigraphy in the initial staging of breast cancer. Abstract publication in Clinical Radiology Supplement. Vol 67 S26. September 2012
- Fawcett R, Phillips C. The musculoskeletal manifestations of tuberculosis. Abstract publication in the British Institute of Radiology Supplement 2012 Electronic poster presented at UK Radiological Congress 2012, Manchester
- Fawcett R, Hunt R, Chandratreya L. A pictorial review of cavitating pulmonary lesions. Abstract publication in the British Institute of Radiology Supplement 2011
  Electronic poster presentation at UK Radiological Congress 2011, Manchester

Case Report

- Fawcett R, Leahy F. Coil embolisation of a pseudoaneurysm of profunda femoris artery. Eurorad online. October 2009. Online radiological case report. URL: http://www.eurorad.org/case.php?id=7873

Other

- Fawcett R. The Glamour of the Hookah. October 22nd 2009.
  BMJ online Rapid Response
- Geach R, Fawcett R, Mortimer A, Ridley N, Jones A, Saunders T. Extraspinal findings on lumbar spine MR imaging: the importance of review areas. Poster presentation at British Institute of Radiology Meeting 2010, London

Invited Lectures

- European Congress of Radiology (ECR) Overture, Vienna. March 2023.
- British Society of Skeletal Radiology (BSSR) Refresher Course, Leeds. March 2023.
- European Congress of Radiology (ECR) Overture, March 2022 (Virtual).
- British Society of Skeletal Radiology (BSSR) Trainee Conference (Virtual), July 2021.

- Combined European Society of Skeletal Radiology (ESSR)/European Society of Neuroradiology Spine (ESNR) Congress, March 2021.
- European Congress of Radiology (ECR), March 2021.
- British Society of Skeletal Radiology (BSSR) Representation at the Royal College of Radiology (RCR) Annual Scientific Meeting (Virtual), October 2020.
- UK Imaging and Oncology Congress (UKIO) (Virtual), June 2020
- British Institute of Radiology (BIR) Annual Congress, London, November 2019
- Royal College of Radiology (RCR) Annual Scientific Meeting, Liverpool, October 2019
- UK Imaging and Oncology Congress (UKIO), Liverpool, June 2019
- Leeds Hip Preservation Conference. Leeds. May 2019: Invited lecture and ultrasound demonstration
- Bradford University Radiography Department. Spinal MRI. October 2018

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