



2017 CAR GOLD MEDAL AWARD DR. RAQUEL Z. DELCARPIO-O'DONOVAN

The Canadian Association of Radiologists is pleased to announce that Dr. Raquel Z. delCarpio-O'Donovan has been named the recipient of the 2017 CAR Gold Medal Award.

Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan is a distinguished neuroradiologist who has had an immensely successful academic career in her 30 years at McGill University. Her unconditional commitment to her profession is evident in her outstanding record of teaching and mentorship. As a teacher, she has helped shape the careers of innumerable radiologists who now practice around the world. Her emphasis on lifelong learning has led to numerous prestigious teaching awards, in addition to having been an Osler Fellow, a McGill University title for mentors to medical students.

During her academic career, she has published 43 peer-reviewed papers, co-authored 6 book chapters, been involved in 23 research projects, and has been an invited speaker at countless national and international meetings. Her reputation as a clinical leader in neuroradiology is evidenced by the sheer number and breadth of her publications and academic endeavours.

Apart from her longstanding involvement with the Canadian Association of Radiologists, Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan has been a tireless advocate for radiology and neuroradiology at the hospital, university, and provincial level. Additionally, she has been a member of the Council of Physicians, Dentists and Pharmacists, Canadian Radiology Foundation, and has sat on the Education Committee and Specialty Committee in Neuroradiology at The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

Born in Peru, Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan has been deeply and actively involved in the development of diagnostic radiology in South America. Further, she has been an advocate for international medical development, demonstrating her statesmanship in the field of diagnostic radiology. Her conciliatory approach to problem solving has made her the ideal ambassador for her profession at home and abroad, as evidenced by her work in supranational societies such as SILAN, CIR, ASNR, and ISMRM.

Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan has been the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions throughout her career, beginning with an Honorary Mention for her scientific exhibit "High resolution CT scan in the study of the middle ear" in 1982. In 1995, she won the McGill Teacher of the Year award, followed by SILAN Award of Honour for Scientific Excellence (1997), Sociedad Peruana de Radiología Award of Recognition for Teaching (1997), Faculty Honour List for Educational Excellence (1998), and the YMCA Montreal Women of Distinction Award (2003). In 2010 she was named one of the 10 most influential Hispanics in Canada, and Mentor of the Year for Region 4 by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. In 2013 she received the Prix Professeur Clinicien from the Quebec Medical Association and in 2016 the Gold Medal for Excellence from the Peruvian Radiological Society.

In addition to her outstanding professional commitment and academic honours, Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan's professionalism, generosity, and kindness have endeared her to her patients and her peers. She is truly a shining light among radiologists in Canada and a role model for young clinicians, particularly women, who aspire to emulate her successful career and record of achievement.

We congratulate Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan on her extraordinary career, and her seemingly limitless commitment to her chosen profession. For her countless contributions to radiology teaching, research, and international development, we are proud to present Dr. delCarpio-O'Donovan with the 2017 CAR Gold Medal Award.