FALCON



Open Call for FALCON Tutors

The FALCON Group would like to invite all who are interested in applying for the volunteer position of a FALCON Tutor.

A FALCON Tutor is an integral part of any course or workshop that has a FALCON EduCase component. FALCON, Fellowship in Anatomic deLineation and CONtouring, is ESTRO's contouring programme that allows radiation oncology professionals to improve their contouring skills. EduCase is the actual web based program that is used to contour and show participant contours.

FALCON activities can be divided into three main categories;

- 1. Contouring workshop within an ESTRO teaching course.
- 2. Online contouring workshops.
- 3. Live contouring workshops.

There are about 15 live courses that use FALCON as one of their teaching methods when talking about target delineation and OaR delineation. ESTRO currently has 13 annual online contouring workshops on different tumour sites. Live, in-person workshops are held at the annual ESTRO congress and also external associations and institutes might request workshops from the FALCON Group.

That tasks of a FALCON Tutor are quite simple. They are to manage EduCase during the contouring workshop. This means manipulating EduCase in order to show the contours of the participant or the teachers and support the discussion visually with EduCase. On online contouring workshop, the tutors are to create a short introduction opening the workshop. During live workshops where there might be on-site contouring, the tutors are to help the participants in contouring on EduCase and answer any relevant clinical questions they might have. The tutor has to be familiar with EduCase but this doesn't mean that they need to be tech savvy though it helps. Also they do not need to be a specialist on the tumour site but knowing anatomy definitely helps when pinpointing different anatomical structures.

The benefits of being a FALCON Tutor are:

- One free registration to any ESTRO educational event; course, workshop or premeeting course.
- If selected as a tutor for a live workshop at the annual congress, the tutor is able to register to the main congress at an early rate at any time.
- If selected to an online course, the tutor is able to attend the workshop without any registration fee.
- If part of a course, the tutor will get an allowance for the course days they are present and if they need to travel for the course travel and accommodation will be covered by ESTRO.
- For live workshops, the tutor will receive travel and accommodation though no allowance included in this.

Additionally, the non-monetary benefits are the following:

- Being a tutor is potentially a gateway to ESTRO activities.
- A tutor can progress to become a workshop teacher or a course faculty member.
- Tutors have access to ESTRO School faculty meetings and are able to then enlarge their professional network.
- Attend courses and workshops to strengthen their knowledge in a specific area.

Requirements

- Good English. Any other languages are appreciated as we might have workshops in other languages requested by other association.
- At least 2 years' work experience for TERs or as resident for Radiation Oncologists or Medical Physicists.

How to Apply

- Send your CV and a cover letter/motivation letter to Miika Palmu, mpalmu@estro.org with a subject heading "FALCON Tutor Application".
- If you are able to get a reference letter from your department head, please attach it.
- In your CV mention:
 - o If you have attended any ESTRO courses or workshops.
 - o If you have attended any ESTRO meetings or events.
 - o Mention all of your publications.