Professor Guy H. Sebag (Feb. 11, 1959 – Nov. 28, 2014)

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The pediatric radiology community in France and the world over is in mourning. Quite suddenly, on Nov. 28, we lost not just an extraordinary man and outstanding radiologist, but a friend of 30 years.

Guy Sebag began his career in pediatric radiology at the Necker-Enfants Malades Hospital in Paris in 1989. His professional qualities were soon noticed, however, and a few years later he moved north, to Paris's Robert Debré Pediatric Hospital, to

become a university professor in 1997, chief of the Pediatric Imaging Department in 2003, and then head of the Physiology, Medical Information and Pediatric Imaging Center in 2006.

Guy held numerous university hospital positions. He was the coordinator for the Paris Diderot University Medical and Radiological Imaging Department and, more recently (2010–2014), president of the academic radiologists' group in Paris.

Guy was also deeply involved in volunteer organizations; he was secretary of the French Society of Prenatal and Pediatric Imaging (SFIPP) and then treasurer of the European Society of Pediatric Radiology (ESPR). He went on to become Managing Editor, Outside the Americas, of *Pediatric Radiology* in 2009, and was himself the author of numerous national and international scientific publications.

He devoted significant energy to teaching, research and thesis supervision. His open-mindedness and curiosity led him naturally to research and strategic visions. Throughout his career, Guy took an interest in a variety of fields, and he had a predilection for the musculoskeletal system and neuroimaging. He loved to pass along his knowledge to those younger than himself, and share his duties with his colleagues.

Guy had immense human qualities, coupled with a colossal capacity for work and a great sense of collective interest. He knew how to listen and take time to understand the issues, no matter what they were. He knew how to stop and help someone around him in trouble, whether a caregiver, a young person or a peer.

Guy was dynamic; he was ready for anything, and we worked together on myriad teaching, research and organizational projects. He radiated intelligence and honesty.

Guy's professional qualities were not the only facet of his character; along with those talents, his gaiety and humor were legendary. He never attended a meeting without injecting a bit of humor, often deadpan; if he was quiet, it was because he was concentrating on the caricatures he would draw, in just a few strokes, on his iPad.

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We talked with Guy about everything, including a lot about our families—about his family, which he cherished, and about Greece, where he spent his vacations and the country of his charming wife, Tina. We send our deepest thoughts to her and to their children, Alexandra, Paul and Angélique.

Guy's unexpected death has robbed us of a loyal friend. We are left, however, with the memory of a joyful man and irreplaceable fellow-traveler.

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