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Dr. Lexa is an academic neuroradiologist and currently a Professor and Vice Chair for Faculty Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh where he also does global radiology work for UPMC International and teaches at the Katz business school. Previously, he served as a Professor, Associate Chief and Vice Chair of Strategy and Leadership in the Department of Medical Imaging at the University of Arizona. He began his career in France with a visiting position at the Université de Bordeaux and has been a Clinical Professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and a Professor of Radiology at the Drexel University College of Medicine where he was also the Vice Chair.

He has been honored with several major scientific research awards including the Cornelius G. Dyke Memorial award of the American Society of Neuroradiology. He also works outside of academic medicine and was a member of the adjunct faculty of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in the marketing department for seventeen years where he taught both graduate and executive MBA students in the Global Consulting Practicum. That took him to five continents. In the GCP, he served in multiple leadership roles including: the Spain, United Arab Emirates, and Israel Country Manager positions as well as the East Asia Regional manager for mainland China and Taiwan.

For several years he also held an appointment as a Professor of Business Development in the Life Sciences at the Instituto de Empresa in Madrid, at the time the top business school in Europe. There he twice won the prestigious "Prize of Excellence" for outstanding teaching. He served as an ASNR ambassador in Lviv, Ukraine in 2017 and has also done international medical and education work on several continents including volunteer work in Uganda, Thailand, China and Russia.

Dr. Lexa lectures, consults, and writes extensively on issues at the interface of health care and business. He has authored over 150 peer reviewed papers as well as multiple articles in the general medical press and in alternative media and has contributed multiple book and encyclopedia chapters. He has given over 2,000 academic, invited, educational, business and Grand Rounds lectures as well as chairing and directing numerous educational meetings for academic, professional, and business organizations. His book "Leadership Lessons for Success in Health Care" takes a systematic approach to developing medical leadership skills.

He has chaired, co-chaired and served on several key national committees and task forces for major organizations in US radiology. He is the 2022-2023 Vice President of the American College of Radiology and in this role also serves on the Board of the Canadian Association of Radiologists. He is the Chief Medical Officer of the Radiology Leadership Institute of the ACR.

He co-led the ACR's Five Year Strategic Planning process cycle which was completed in 2022. He is also the current chair of the ACR International Economics Committee and a member of the ACR International Commission.

In 2022, he began a three-year term as the chair of the Intersociety Committee which brings together all of the key organizations in US radiology. He recently became a Vice-Chair for Education of the International Society of Radiology and launched a leadership program in Lusaka, Zambia. He served on the Board of Chancellors of the ACR for two terms as the Chair of the Commission on Leadership and Practice Development. He also served for six years as a founding co-chair of the Future Trends Committee for the ACR and was on the Budget and Finance Committee.

Previously he directed health care investments for the British Technology Group International and worked as a strategic consultant for the Boston Consulting Group in their healthcare practice. He is also the founder and CEO of a boutique health care strategy group: LSG Ventures. For several years, he was a partner at Philadelphia Ventures-a venture capital firm focusing on high tech medical and information technology early-stage investments and he continues to work with startup companies in the healthcare sector.

He was educated and did his medical training in Boston, the San Francisco Bay Area, and in Philadelphia. He is a licensed general aviation airplane pilot and an avid skier and SCUBA diver. He has raised money for several charities in multiple ways including a 100-mile bike ride for MS research. In his spare time, he cycles and chases after his Portuguese water dog Gabby and his pot belly pig, Pyper.