

Stage: Research

ONE ARTICLE CLOSER TO SUCCESS

This past week, I mainly researched what it means to be an interventional radiologist and what it is that they do. I chose the article on which my first research assessment will be done on, and read over it to get an overview of what it entails. The article is titled, What family physicians should know about interventional radiology?, and it essentially performed the task of explaining what interventional radiology is, specifically targeted to the audience of family physicians. Although it was targeted to family physicians, it proved to be very helpful, giving lots of quality information on the interventional radiology profession and what it entails. It supplied some medical vocabulary which is great for background knowledge when speaking to other doctors and potential mentors, as well as examples of procedures that interventional radiologists perform. I also learned how to properly search databases, specifically on MackinVia, and how to use advanced search features to find exactly what I am looking for, a skill that has already saved lots of time and energy.

Next week, I aim to completely annotate this document and have a complete grasp of the information that this article was meant to provide. Another goal for next week is to master the art of not summarizing in any annotations or reports.

Additionally, the article this week provided me with some base-level knowledge on interventional radiology procedures, however, in future weeks more advanced knowledge about specific interventional radiology procedures is a major goal. Furthermore, interventional oncology looks really interesting and appears worth exploring in the future weeks as well.

Speaking on my efficiency this past week, it has been relatively good: I have been maximizing in-class time and working outside of school as well. However, improving efficiency and getting on assignments early will definitely be a major goal for next week.