

#### **European Society of Radiology**

69,341 individual members from 157 countries





#### International Society of Radiology

74 cooperating societies



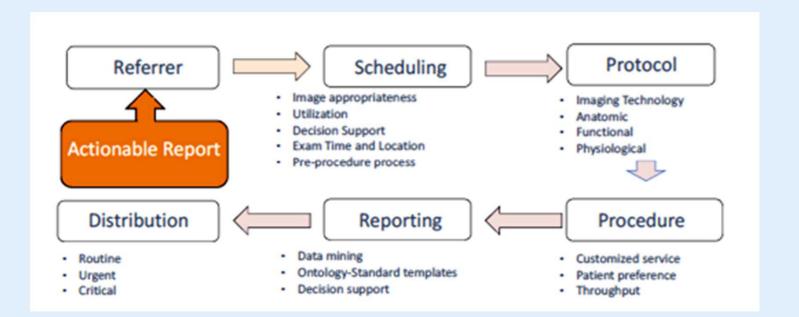


# The role of medical imaging

- Preclinical disease detection (Screening)
- Diagnosis
- Determining the extent of a disease (tumour staging)
- Treatment efficacy monitoring
- Image guided therapies
- Surgical planning
- Imaging biomarkers for personalised medicine
- Research (clinical trials)
- Increasing impact in health professionals' education
  - → Medical imaging is one of the specialties with the highest innovation rate

# Maximising the value of medical imaging

- Diagnosis as the first healthcare outcome
  - Actionable radiology report as basis for further (multidisciplinary) patient management
- Financial and quality imperative to maximise value
- Imaging value chain:



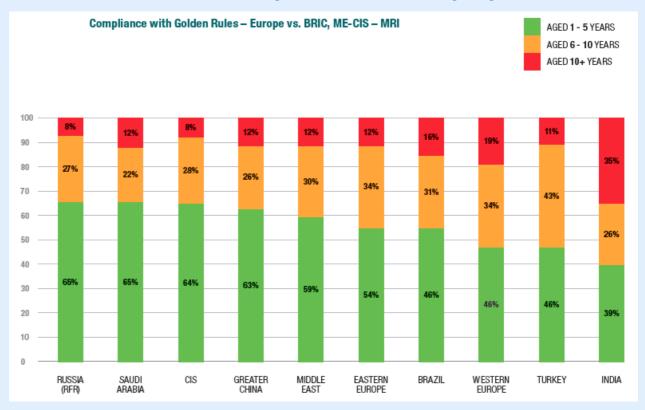
### Investing in health

- Diagnosis is essential part of every care cycle
- Key components: personnel and equipment
  - Education and Training: the most expensive technology is useless without qualified professionals
  - Up-to-date equipment is necessary for accurate diagnosis and low radiation dose
- Investment in education and equipment multiplies benefits many times over

### **Equipment renewal**

- Using the best possible equipment saves lives and money in the long term
- ESR recommendation: respect the equipment

life cycle



## Radiology and its partners

- ESR-IAEA practical arrangement on education
- International Day of Radiology: 8 November



ISR Quality and Safety Alliance: radiation safety campaigns



### Summary

- Each dollar spent on education is returned many times
- Investing in quality equipment saves lives and money
- Patient safety culture is fundamental
- Maximising the benefits of imaging is not radiologists' task alone
  - → Let's work together!

