

OBITUARY: Renaud Mazon (1977-2016)

ESTRO and the brachytherapy committee lost a good colleague and friend when Renaud Mazon died shortly after a skiing accident.

This is not only a terrible loss to his family, friends and colleagues in Paris, but also to the GEC-ESTRO where he, like his father, was an important and active asset for the brachytherapy community both inside and outside Europe.

Renaud was a major representative of the famous French school of Brachytherapy and the way was open for him to become one of the leaders of brachytherapy in his generation. The brachytherapy society is not large and it takes years to train and obtain the skills that Renaud possessed. His death is therefore a serious blow not only to French brachytherapy, but also to the GEC-ESTRO, where Renaud was a very active member of the gynaecological working group and a highly appreciated and skilled teacher at the renewed ESTRO course on Comprehensive and Practical Brachytherapy.

He was also an active collaborator in the GEC-ESTRO Vaginal Task Force in which young, talented members are working together to redefine treatment for vaginal cancer.

Along with his family we are mourning this meaningless loss. We are thankful for having known Renaud and for having had the privilege to work together with him.

Our thoughts are with his family and colleagues at Institute Gustave Roussy.

Christian Kirisits, Bradley Pieters, Jacob Lindegaard, and Taran Paulsen-Hellebust On behalf of GEC-ESTRO.