Dr. Morlie Wang is a notable figure in the field of radiology, with a unique and inspiring journey that underscores her commitment to diversity, equity, and leadership within healthcare. Growing up in Darien, Illinois, she graduated from Hinsdale South High School in the 1980s. Her academic path took her to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for her undergraduate studies, followed by medical school and a masters in public health at The George Washington University.

After completing her residency in family medicine at Cook County Hospital, Dr. Wang spent a decade in primary care within the department of medicine. At the age of 40, she embraced a significant career shift, opting to pursue a residency in radiology—a decision that marked a pivotal moment in her life.

Her fellowship in breast imaging at the University of Chicago allowed her to deepen her specialized knowledge and skills. Throughout her career, she has been dedicated to promoting inclusivity and education within the medical community. Collaborating with colleagues, including Dr. Anne Darrow, she worked on a grant proposal through the American College of Radiology aimed at enhancing outreach and education about transgender imaging and LGBTQI+ equity for medical students, residents, and staff.

Dr. Wang has authored several impactful articles addressing crucial issues in radiology, such as LGBTQ+ inclusion and diversity in residency recruitment. Her recent publications include:

- **"Status of LGBTQ+ inclusion: Multi-institution Assessment of US Radiology Residencies"** (August 2024, Journal of the American College of Radiology)
- **"Women in leadership matters: Achieving diversity in radiology residency recruitment"** (April 2024, Clinical Imaging)
- **"Unintended consequence: Diversity as a casualty of eliminating USMLE Step 1 scores"** (August 2023, Journal of the American College of Radiology)

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Dr. Wang is also an accomplished athlete, having completed a grueling ultramarathon of 155 miles in the Namib desert in 2024, which she completed over the course of seven days. Her passion for wellness and the power of the subconscious reflects her holistic approach to health and well-being, both personally and professionally. Dr. Wang's journey moved from being the interim chair and program director of Cook County hospital to her new adventure as program director at UIC for this upcoming interview season. She exemplifies resilience, dedication, and a continuous pursuit of knowledge and leadership in radiology.