

ACNM International Affairs Committee

The international affairs committee (IAC) of the American college of nuclear medicine (ACNM) reaches out to other professional organizations on behalf of your college. In 2017 the IAC has been successful in signing agreements with the Israel Society of Nuclear Medicine, completing negotiations with the British Nuclear Medicine Society and in initiating negotiations with the South African Society of Nuclear Medicine.

ACNM International ambassador/visiting professor program:

The IAC invites ACNM members who are interested in giving a lecture under the auspices of the ACNM to email us. Countries visited in 2016:

1. Turkey-April 2016. Annual Nuclear Medicine Congress of the Turkish Society of Nuclear Medicine in Izmir Turkey from April 6 through 10, 2016.

ACNM Representatives:

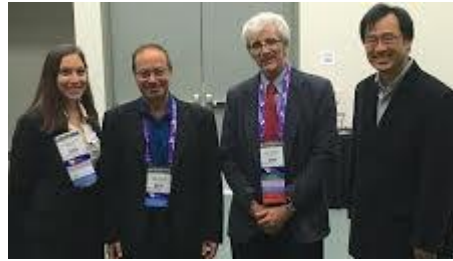
- a. Rathan Subramaniam MD, FACNM
 - b. Amol Takalkar MD, FACNM
2. China- May 2016
Rathan Subramaniam MD, FACNM represented ACNM at the CSNM 50th Anniversary and gave a lecture.
 3. China- September 2016
ACNM-CSNM Academy of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging scientific writing workshop
ACNM Representatives
 - a. Patrick Colletti MD, Editor Clinical Nuclear Medicine
 - b. Hongming Zhuang MD, FACNM

Upcoming Events in 2017

1. World Congress on Cardiac Imaging & Clinical Cardiology
1st Congress to be held in Mumbai, India Feb 23-26, 2017.
Title of lecture: Cardiac PET imaging with N-13 ammonia
ACNM Representative Amol Takalkar MD, FACNM
2. Israel- March 9-10, 2017 Israeli Society of Nuclear Medicine Annual meeting
Titles of lectures:
 - a. Nuclear Medicine in the United States and the ACNM
 - b. Appropriate use of nuclear medicineACNM Representative Erica Cohen MD

Collaboration with other International societies of Nuclear Medicine in 2016

1. The ACNM signed a level I agreement with the Israel Society of Nuclear Medicine in June 2016. The ACNM IAC wishes to acknowledge Erica Cohen MD for her efforts as ACNM Israeli Delegation lead for making this happen.
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3. Negotiations are ongoing in South Africa with the SASNM for a level 1 agreement and the ACNM IAC acknowledges Lorraine De Blanche, MD for her efforts.
4. Negotiations have been completed with the British Nuclear Medicine Society (BNMS) for a level 1 agreement by Saabry Osmany, MD, FACNM. The draft agreement is currently awaiting approval by the BNMS prior to distribution for signing.
5. Other countries where the IAC has reached out to professional organizations include Canada, Malaysia and Singapore and IAC committee members are in the process of reaching out to Australia, Japan and Germany.
6. The IAC has also reached an agreement with the current organizing committee of Nuclear Medicine Update, a recurring international nuclear medicine conference in Singapore, to generate awareness of the 2017/2018 meetings of both organizations on each others webpages.

The IAC has also organized two CME sessions for the 2017 ACNM annual meeting.:

2017 ACNM Annual Meeting International Session in Phoenix, AZ (CME session)

1. From Israel Dr. Zvi Bar-Sever
Title: Pediatric Nuclear Medicine and Nuclear Medicine practice in Israel
2. From the UK Dr Shaunak Navalkisoor
Title: Nuclear Medicine practice in the UK: current state of imaging and therapy service
3. From Turkey Professor Murat Fani Bozkurt
Title: GOSTT (Guided Intraoperative Scintigraphic Tumour Targeting).

ACNM-CSNM American Sino Academy of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Thyroid Session during the ACNM 2017 annual meeting on Jan 18, 2017 (CME session)

4. Lin Li, MD : Postoperative Therapy with Low-Dose (1.1GBq) and High-Dose (3.7GBq) Radioiodine in Low and Intermediate Risk Differentiated Thyroid Cancer : A Single-Center, Prospective Randomized, Open-label, Controlled Clinical Study,
5. Yangsong Lin, MD :
Diagnosis and treatment of distant metastatic differentiated thyroid cancer.
6. Zairong Gao, MD :
A retrospective study on papillary thyroid microcarcinoma treated with radioactive iodine.
7. Anca Avram MD:
American Perspective on Thyroid Cancer Management.

The current goals for 2017 include continuing the ongoing country contacts, planning new outreach and implementing existing agreements. The IAC welcomes ACNM member suggestions and volunteers.

Wishing you a productive 2017,

David Ng MD,
Co-Chair ACNM IAC

Saabry Osmany MD, FACNM
Co-Chair ACNM IAC