SNMMI: Correlative Imaging Council  
Report to the SNMMI Committee on Councils & Centers  
January 2013

Activities and Accomplishments

The Correlative Imaging Council had the 12th CT case review session spanning over two days at 2012 Annual Meeting SNMMI meeting in Miami Beach, Florida. Similar to prior sessions the attendance was excellent (213) with attendees getting credit for 100 cases. The sessions were approved for SAM credits with a total of 16 credits for total 100 cases. Since CT education and MOC is increasingly important, these educational offerings are very valuable for the membership.

In addition to the CT case review, the CIC also organized MRI case review (30 cases) at the annual meeting. The registration for this session was 172 and feedback was satisfactory.

CT Case Review Sessions as of December 2012  
Organized by Correlative Imaging Council

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MRI Case Review (30 cases)

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The following CE sessions and Categorical seminars were held at the annual meeting in Miami.

- CE courses;
  - DaT SPECT brain imaging. Multimodality Imaging in Prostate Carcinoma.
  - Update on multimodality Breast Imaging
  - PET/CT, Dedicated CT, and MRI in the Upper Gastrointestinal Tract.
  - Multimodality Bone imaging
  - Head and Neck imaging.
Some of the CE sessions as well as CT case review sessions are submitted for SAM approval therefore the attendance at these sessions is expected to be excellent.

- Categorical Seminar; SPECT/CT Imaging: Clinical Role and Applications

- **Continuation of Educational Activities posted to CIC website:**
  - Posting of monthly CT cases with emphasis on CT anatomy for Technologists.
  - Interesting images for Nuclear Medicine Professional emphasizing the correlative aspect of Nuclear Medicine/ PET with radiographs, CT, MRI, Ultrasound etc;
  - Updating CIC WEB site.

**Nuclear Medicine Technologist Collaboration:**
The CIC board has started efforts to involve technologist community in their educational activities including announcement of postings in “UPTAKE”.

**CIC Internship Program:**
Andrei H. Iagaru MD from Stanford University was elected to be the second intern of CIC, his term will end June 2013. Dr. Iagaru along with Amol Takalkar planned the CIC sponsored categorical seminar on “Update on role of SPECT/CT” for the annual SNMMI meeting.

**Walter Wolf Young Investigator Award:**
The Seventh Annual Walter Wolf Young Investigator Award in Correlative Imaging was presented at the 59th SNMMI Annual Meeting in Miami. This award was created in 2007 to encourage young Nuclear Medicine Professionals to submit abstracts pertaining to correlative imaging thus fostering clinical research in this area. The CIC board has reviewed and selected the best abstract for 2012. The abstract is titled “Predicting histologic biomarker expression in breast cancer with 68 Ga- RGD PET/CT versus diffusion –weighted and dynamic contrast-enhanced MRI”. The author H. Yoon and collaborators will receive an award of $1000 during the CIC board meeting at SNMMI annual meeting. The Eighth Annual Walter Wolf Young Investigator Award in Correlative Imaging will be presented at the 2013 SNMMI Annual Meeting in Vancouver, BC, Canada.

**Looking Forward**
The Correlative Imaging Council was founded in 1978 originally to educate Nuclear Medicine Professionals about then emerging technology of ultrasound. Since then the new mission of the Council is to provide education in CT, MRI and emerging Molecular Imaging Technology. In the recent years the focus has been on CT education so that the membership can derive benefit in reading CT studies in their practices. CIC hopes to plan similar educational activities related to MRI and other emerging imaging modalities in a continuing effort to bring forth the best possible outcomes for patient management using Nuclear Medicine. One of the highlights in future meetings is MRI education in addition to other educational activities.

The following CE sessions and Categorical seminars will be held at the 2013 SNMMI Annual meeting in Vancouver.

**CIC Education Courses:**
- CT Case Review (1-100) SAM Session
A Journey from PET/CT to PET/MRI: The Need for Introducing PET/MRI

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Mission

The correlative Imaging Council exists within the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging with the aim to establish and maintain an organization of members with an interest in correlative imaging and clinical practice for the purpose of providing a forum and a mechanism, whereby relevant basic science and clinical practice information may be discussed and disseminated. Provide a mechanism for the promotion and encouragement of correlative imaging and clinical practice research and development. Provide a source of information relating to correlative imaging and clinical practice affairs to the Society of Nuclear Medicine.

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