



SNMMI: General Clinical Nuclear Medicine Council

SNMMI Mid Winter Meeting
January 2013

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The GCNMC has at last count 136 members.

Our emphasis has been on education. The most recent CME courses we have put together and presented are shown below.

We have been working with the Committee on Guidelines to update guidelines related to general nuclear medicine.

We are considering establishing an award for lifelong achievement. This will be discussed at the Mid-Winter Meeting in New Orleans.

We are always looking for good speakers on topics of interest. Please contact Dr. Ziessman or Balon if you would be interested in being a speaker at a CME or categorical course in the future.

Activities and Accomplishments

1. We are sponsoring a CME course at the January Mid-Winter Meeting entitled:
General Nuclear Medicine Update - The Tried and True - Getting Better with Age

Saturday, January 26, 2013 1:00 PM-4:05 PM

Educational Objectives

Upon completion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

1. Perform state-of-the-art thyroid, ventilation-perfusion, gastric emptying, sincalide HIDA scintigraphy in their nuclear medicine clinic or hospital.
2. Interpret thyroid, ventilation-perfusion, gastric emptying, sincalide HIDA scintigraphy with a high level expertise.
3. Identify the importance of modern methodology for accurate parathyroid localization.

Organizer: Harvey A. Ziessman, MD

Moderator: Harvey A. Ziessman, MD

Co-Moderator: Helena R. Balon, MD

1:00 PM - 1:35 PM The Ventilation Perfusion Scan - State-of-the-Art 2013

Darlene F. Metter, MD

1:35 PM - 2:10 PM Sincalide Cholescintigraphy, the Essentials

Mark Tulchinsky, MD

2:10 PM - 2:45 PM Thyroid Scintigraphy for Benign Disease - Best of the Old and New

Frederick D. Grant, MD

2:45 PM - 2:55 PM Break

2:55 PM - 3:30 PM Alternatives to the Standardized Solid Gastric Emptying Study

Harvey A. Ziessman, MD

3:30 PM - 4:05 PM Parathyroid Scintigraphy - Planar, SPECT, and SPECT/CT

Christopher J. Palestro, MD

2. We organized a CME Categorical Course at the June 2012 Annual Meeting entitled:

Current Practice and Controversies in I-131 Therapy for Differentiated Thyroid Cancer

Organizer: Helena Balon, MD

Endocrinologist's Perspective

Paul Ladenson, MD, Johns Hopkins University

Surgeon's Perspective



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Peter Czako, MD, Royal Oak, Michigan

Thyroid Remnant Ablation
Stanley Goldsmith, MD

Therapy of Metastatic Differentiated Thyroid Cancer
Douglas Van Nostrand, MD

Radiation Safety Issues of I-131 Therapy of DTC
Michael G. Stabin, PhD

Long Term Risks of I-131 Therapy – Myth or Reality
J. Anthony Parker, MD, Boston, MA

The Dilemma of the Iodine-negative/Thyroglobulin-positive Patient
Edward Silberstein, MD, Cincinnati, Ohio

Role of PET/CT in DTC Management
Heiko Schoder, MD, New York

Practice Improvement – Panel Discussion.

3. We organized 7 CME Courses at the June 2012 Annual Meeting in Miami:

Hybrid Imaging of Inflammation and Infection Imaging
Organizer: Christopher J. Palestro, MD

F-18 Sodium Fluoride Bone Imaging
Organizer: J. Anthony Parker, MD, Boston, MD and Eric Rohren, MD, Houston, TX

Hepatobiliary Scintigraphy in Surgical Patients with Acute and Chronic Cholecystitis
Mark Tulchinsky, MD, Hershey, PA

Gastrointestinal Transit - Update
Organizer: Kevin J. Donohoe, Boston, MA

Diuretic Renography for Suspected Obstruction
Organizer: Andrew T. Taylor, Jr, MD, Atlanta, GA

Molecular Imaging of Liver Function for Optimizing Care in Liver Resection and Transplantation
Organizer: Mark Tulchinsky, MD, Hershey, PA

Imaging for Pulmonary Embolus: A Current Status Report
Organizer: Leonard M. Freeman, MD, New York

Several of these courses were SAM sessions

Looking Forward

We would like to encourage involvement of our membership in ongoing education, guideline updates, and outreach activities. One way would be to join one of our Committees. The committees include, Renal, Infection, Gastrointestinal, Hepatobiliary, Musculoskeletal, Endocrine, and Pulmonary.

