



***SNMMI: General Clinical Nuclear Medicine Council Report***

SNMMI Mid-Winter Meeting  
February 2014

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Current membership status as of Jan 2014: 148

Our emphasis continues to be on education. The most recent CME courses we have organized and presented are shown below.

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

The GCNMC has finalized the proposal for a Lifetime Achievement Award, which was *approved by* the Committee on Councils at the 2013 SNMMI Annual Meeting in Vancouver, BC, Canada. The award may be given out for the first time at the 2014 SNMMI Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO. This Lifetime Achievement Award has been established to recognize those physicians and scientists who have distinguished themselves through a career dedicated to the advancement of patient care in the field of Nuclear Medicine. These individuals will have provided outstanding contributions to the general nuclear medicine subspecialties including urogenital, pulmonary, musculoskeletal, endocrine and gastrointestinal imaging that have advanced the field to allow improved clinical diagnosis and patient care.

### **Activities and Accomplishments**

The GCNMC organized a CE session at the 2013 Mid-Winter meeting titled:

**General Nuclear Medicine Update – New Methodologies – The Tried and True – Getting Better with Age**

Speakers: Drs D. Metter, M. Tulchinski, F. Grant, H. Ziessman

The GCNMC organized and sponsored the following CE sessions at the 2013 SNMMI Annual Meeting, June 8 – 12 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

**1. Radionuclide Imaging of Inflammation and Infection: State of the Art (SAM session)**

Organizer: Christopher J. Palestro, MD

Moderator: Giuliano Mariani, MD

Co-Moderator: Christopher J. Palestro, MD

Speakers: Drs O Israel, C. Palestro

**2. Imaging for Pulmonary Embolism: A Current Status Report (SAM Session)**

Organizer: Leonard M. Freeman, MD

Moderator: Leonard M. Freeman, MD

Speakers: Drs G. Le Gal, L.B. Haramati, L. Freeman

**3. Gastric Motility - 2013 (SAM session)**

Organizer: Harvey A. Ziessman, MD

Moderator: Harvey A. Ziessman, MD

Co-Moderator: Kevin J. Donohoe, MD

Speakers: Drs. M. Middleton, H.A. Ziessman

**4. Hepatobiliary Imaging: The State of the Art (SAM session)**

Organizer: Mark Tulchinsky, MD

Moderator: Mark Tulchinsky, MD

Co-Moderator: R. Bennink, MD, PhD

Speakers: Drs. R. Bennink, M. Tulchinsky

**5. Diuretic Renography (SAM session)**

Organizer: Andrew T. Taylor, Jr., MD, FACNM

Moderator: Andrew T. Taylor, Jr., MD, FACNM

Co-Moderator: Massoud Majd, MD

Speakers: Drs. M. Majd, A.T. Taylor

**6. SPECT/CT in Thyroid and Parathyroid Disease (SAM session)**

Organizer: Christopher J. Palestro, MD

Moderator: Christopher J. Palestro, MD

Co-Moderator: Kenneth J. Nichols, PhD

Speakers: Drs. A. Avram, C. Palestro

## 7. Bone Scintigraphy (SAM session)

Organizer: J. Anthony Parker, MD, PhD

Moderator: J. Anthony Parker, MD, PhD

Co-Moderator: Gary L. Dillehay, MD, FACNM, FACR

Speakers: Drs. G. Dillehay, G. Segall, S.T.Treves

### **Organizational activities**

We have updated our Standard Operating Procedures and streamlined our election process to ensure that only part of the Board of Directors is replaced during any election. This will assure overlapping terms and some “organizational memory”.

### **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. The GCNMC is organizing a session for the 2014 Mid-Winter Meeting in Palm Springs, CA titled **MIBG in Diagnosis and Therapy**.

The GCNMC is organizing five CE sessions at the 2014 SNMMI Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO.

1. SPECT/CT in Thyroid and Parathyroid Disease (C. Palestro)
2. Altered Biodistribution and Incidental Findings in Radionuclide Imaging (L.Freeman)
3. Imaging for Pulmonary Embolism: A Current Status Report (L.Freeman)
4. Hepatobiliary Update (H. Ziessman)
5. Scintigraphic Evaluation of the Alimentary Tract—Proximal, Middle and Distal End (T. Manzone)

The GCNMC is also organizing a Categorical Seminar titled: Radionuclide Imaging of Inflammation and Infection: State of the Art and Future Directions (organizers: Drs C. Palestro and O. Israel)