COUNCIL REPORT TO THE SNMMI BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 2021

CARDIOVASCULAR COUNCIL

Council Mission: The Cardiovascular Council is a group within The Society of Nuclear Medicine, Inc., hereafter referred to as the Society, dedicated to the interchange of scientific and medical ideas among Society members who have interest in cardiovascular imaging using radiopharmaceuticals. The overall mission of the Cardiovascular Council is to:

(a) provide a forum for members with similar interests
(b) provide expertise in the field of interest to the membership
(c) foster research and education in the field of interest
(d) provide outreach to other professionals and organizations
(e) nurture new membership into the Society
(f) serve as a resource to SNMMI Leadership

Council Mission and SNMMI’s Strategic Plan: The work of the Cardiovascular Council applies to the following goals and objectives in SNMMI’s Strategic Plan:

Goal A: SNMMI members are known for high-quality, value-driven performance and delivery of patient-centered nuclear medicine practice.

Objective 1: Increase the development and dissemination of clinical guidance documents, including appropriate use criteria.

The CVC has jointly published and co-sponsored four documents since the last report:


Goal F: SNMMI has the organizational strength and sustainability to lead the field in a dynamic healthcare landscape.

Objective 1: Strengthen membership numbers.
   d. Ensure enthusiasm.
      iii. Create a sense of community and networking opportunities among our members.

The CVC publishes newsletters 2-3 times per year and has two active council interns. The Council actively seeks involvement of the membership in educational programs and encourages new members to join the community. The CVC also sponsors two major awards. The Hermann Blumgart Award recognizes scientific contributions to the field and service to the society while the Outstanding Educator Award recognizes teach contributions and service to the society.

Cardiovascular Council President: Timothy Bateman, MD

CVC 2019-2021 Intern/Mentor: Matthieu Pelletier-Galarneau/Albert Sinusas
                                 Réne Packard/Venkatesh Murthy

Date of Last meeting: January 10, 2021

Date of Next meeting: Board of Directors Meeting – June 2021

Update on Council Programs:

2020 SNMMI Virtual AM Meeting CE Sessions and Webinars:
   • Hermann Blumgart Award Presentation and Lecture
   • CVC Outstanding Educator Award and Lecture
   • Closing Knowledge Gaps in Transthyretin Cardiomyopathy
   • Non-Invasive Evaluation of CAD in 2020
   • YIA Basic Science: Inga Melvinsdottir, MD; Kakub Toczek, PhD; and Nele Inga Hermans
   • YIA Clinical Science: Mingkai Yun, PhD; Yuka Otaki, MD, PhD; Jacek Kwiencinski

2021 SNMMI Virtual MWM Meeting CE Sessions:
   • Hot topics in nuclear cardiology 2020: Case-based review
   • Non-Invasive Evaluation of Coronary Artery Disease in 2021

Awards:
   • Hermann Blumgart Award 2021 – Rob deKemp, PhD
   • Outstanding Educator Award 2021 – Panithaya Chareonthaitawee, MD

Incoming Internes 2021-2023:
   • Krishna Patel, MD
   • Attila Feher, MD
Action Items in Progress/Pending:

- Preparation for 2021 Annual Meeting
- Cardiovascular Infection Imaging Scientific Statement (Chair: Dr. Miller)
- A Practical Guide for Interpreting and Reporting Cardiac PET Measurements of Myocardial Blood Flow (Bateman & Ruddy) – SNMMI/ASNC – document accepted for publication in JNM and in JNC
- Hot-Spot Imaging (Sperry and Liu)- SNMMI/ASNC/EANM
- State-of-the-Art SPECT MPI (Ruddy and Slomka) – SNMMI/ASNC
- PET/MR Credentialling Document (Chareonthaitawee and Ruddy) – SNMMI
- Hybrid Imaging (Bateman, Miller, Murthy, etc) – ASNC/ACC/SNMMI/
- Test substitution document (Bateman) – ACC/SNMMI/ASNC/SCCT/SCMR/ASE
- PET Reporting Template (Bateman, Murthy, Schindler) – ASNC/SNMMI
- Infection imaging – Jamieson Bourque, MD
- Coronary microvascular disease – Timothy Bateman, MD
- FDG PET for Cardiac Valve or Device Infection - Edward Miller, MD

Action Items Completed:  See programs above

Recommendations/Questions for the Board of Directors: N/A

Other Comments: N/A