SNMMI: General Clinical Nuclear Medicine Council Report

SNMMI Annual Meeting
June 2014

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Current membership status as of May 2014: 176, compared to 162 on May 2013.

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

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 will be given out for the first time at the 2015 SNMMI Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD. The call for nominations will be sent in the fall of 2014. 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 session for the 2014 Mid-Winter Meeting in Palm Springs, CA titled **MIBG in Diagnosis and Therapy**.

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  
   Speakers: Drs O Israel, C. Palestro

2. **Imaging for Pulmonary Embolism: A Current Status Report** (SAM Session)  
   Organizer: 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  
   Speakers: Drs. M. Middleton, H.A. Ziessman

4. **Hepatobiliary Imaging: The State of the Art** (SAM session)  
   Organizer: Mark Tulchinsky, MD  
   Speakers: Drs. R. Bennink, M. Tulchinsky

5. **Diuretic Renography** (SAM session)  
   Organizer: Andrew T. Taylor, Jr., MD, FACNM  
   Speakers: Drs. M. Majd, A.T.Taylor

6. **SPECT/CT in Thyroid and Parathyroid Disease** (SAM session)  
   Organizer: Christopher J. Palestro, MD  
   Speakers: Drs. A. Avram, C. Palestro

7. **Bone Scintigraphy** (SAM session)  
   Organizer: J. Anthony Parker, MD, PhD  
   Speakers: Drs. G. Dillehay, G. Segall, S.T.Treves

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

1. **Hepatobiliary Imaging 2014** – Scintigraphy and Anatomic Imaging  
   Organizer: Harvey A. Ziessman, MD

2. **Altered Biodistribution and Incidental Findings** in Radionuclide Imaging  
   Organizer: L. Freeman, MD

3. **Imaging for Pulmonary Embolism**: A Current Status Report  
   Organizer: L. Freeman, MD

4. **SPECT/CT in Thyroid and Parathyroid Disease**  
   Organizer: C. Palestro, MD
5. Scintigraphic Evaluation of the Alimentary System—Beginning, Middle and End
Organizer: T. Manzone, MD

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

We submitted two CME proposals for the 2015 Mid-Winter Meeting in Austin, TX:

1. Altered Biodistribution of Radiopharmaceuticals: Unexpected and Incidental Findings in Children and Adults (in collaboration with the Pediatric Imaging Council)
   Organizers: L. Freeman, MD and Susan E sharp, MD

2. Ventilation-Perfusion Scintigraphy: Practice, Challenges, and the Future
   Organizer: Mark Tulchinsky, MD

Organizational activities

We have updated our Standard Operating Procedures and streamlined or 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.