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MEETINGS SPONSORED BY THE SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR MEDICINE

January 29, 2000—Reimbursement for Nuclear Medicine Procedures Seminar. Sponsor: SNM. Location: Burlingame, CA. Topics: Coding systems; resource-based relative value scale; hospital billing; ICD-9 coding; use of CPT; coding PET imaging; Medicare's Correct Coding Initiative; managed care/contracting; fraud and abuse. Credit: Maximum 6 Category 1 AMA hr; maximum 6 VOICE hr. Fee: SNM members \$200; nonmembers \$225. Contact: Society of Nuclear Medicine, Public Affairs Department, 1850 Samuel Morse Dr., Reston, VA 20190-5316. Phone: (703) 708-9000, ext. 1255. Fax: (703) 708-9013.

February 13-14, 2000-Updates in Nuclear Medicine: Quantitative Cardiac Imaging and New Innovations in Instrumentation. Sponsor: SNM. Location: New Orleans, LA. Topics: Quantitative cardiac software tools for myocardial perfusion imaging; attenuation correction in cardiac SPECT; use of PET in diagnosis of coronary artery disease; advances in nuclear medicine instrumentation. Credit: Up to 10 Category 1 AMA hr; 10 VOICE hr. Fee: Physicians/scientists: SNM member \$250, nonmember \$305; technologists: SNM-TS member \$140, nonmember \$165, student \$75. Contact: Society of Nuclear Medicine, Meeting Services Department, 1850 Samuel Morse Dr., Reston, VA 20190-5316. Phone: (703) 708-9000, ext. 1229. Fax: (703) 709-9274. Web site: http://www.snm.org, under "Hot Topics."

February 19–20, 2000—Chapter Annual Meeting. Sponsor: Hawaii Chapter of SNM. Location: Honolulu, HI. Credit: 13.5 hr CME. Fee: Physicians \$85, technologists \$45. Contact: Linda Miyamoto, Straub Clinic and Hospital, 888 S. King St., Honolulu, HI 96813. Phone: (808) 522-4501. Fax: (808) 522-4502.

February 24, 2000—Chapter Meeting. Sponsor: Northern California Chapter of SNM. Location: Oakland, CA. Contact: Joyce Matin, P.O. Box 2693, Kirkland, WA 98083-2693. Phone: (425) 893-8410. Fax: (425) 893-8410.

March 4, 2000—Chapter Meeting. Sponsor: Pittsburgh Chapter of SNM. Location: Pittsburgh, PA. Contact: Scott Holbrook. Phone: (540) 679-6210. E-mail: davidh@mounet.com.

March 31-April 1, 2000—Chapter Meeting. Sponsor: Southwestern Chapter of SNM. Location: Galveston, TX. Contact: Charles Metzger, Southwestern Chapter, SNM, 156 S. Spruce Ave., Ste. 207A, South San Francisco, CA 94080-4556. Phone: (650) 876-0790. Fax: (650) 876-0791. E-mail: cmetzger@swcsnm.org. Web site: www.swcsnm.org/2000mtg.htm.

April 8–9, 2000—Chapter Meeting. **Sponsor:** Pacific Northwest Chapter of SNM. **Location:** Otter Rock, OR. **Contact:** Joyce Matin, P.O. Box 2693, Kirkland, WA 98083-2693. Phone: (425) 893-8410. Fax: (425) 893-8410.

MEETINGS SPONSORED BY VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

February 11-13, 2000-27th Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions. Sponsor: American

College of Nuclear Medicine. Location: New Orleans, LA. Contact: Thomas Johnson, Jr., Executive Director, American College of Nuclear Medicine, P.O. Box 175, Landisville, PA 17538-0175. Phone: (717) 898-5008. Fax: (717) 898-0713. E-mail: tjj676@aol.com.

February 25–27, 2000—Egyptian International Meeting in Nuclear Medicine. Sponsor: The Egyptian Society of Nuclear Medicine Specialists. Location: Hurghada, Red Sea, Egypt. Fee: Members \$75, nonmembers \$150. Topics: Tumor imaging, sentinel node, therapy, infection imaging, cerebrovascular imaging, nuclear cardiology, and radioimmunoassay. Contact: Prof. Dr. Muhammad Abdel-Razzak, Al-Gabal Al-Akhadar, P.O. Box 9033, Nasr City 11675 Cairo, Egypt. Phone: 20-2-28 56 560. Fax: 20-2-282 1624.

March 4-5, 2000-State of the Art of Nuclear Medicine seminar. Sponsor: Loyola University Medical Center. Location: Oak Brook, IL. Topics: Update on 18F FDG PET and gamma camera imaging; women's health and the role of nuclear medicine; tumor imaging with antibodies, MIBG, and receptor binding agents; PACS; lymphoscintigraphy for sentinel node detection; imaging of thrombosis and infection; radionuclide therapy. Credit: 16 VOICE hr for NMTs and RTs. Fee: \$150. Contact: Dr. Stephen Karesh, Course Director, Nuclear Medicine Department, Loyola University Medical Center, 2160 S. First Ave., Maywood, IL 60153. Phone: (708) 216-5257. E-mail: skaresh@lunis.luc.edu.

March 17-18, 2000-Molecular Imaging: Improve Your Practice Now. Sponsor: Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Location: Baltimore, MD. Topics: New radiopharmaceuticals nearing clinical approval; advances in instrumentation in oncology, neuroscience and cardiology; and application of these techniques to the care of patients. Credit: 17 Category 1 AMA hr; VOICE credit pending. Fee: Physicians \$450; residents, fellows, and technologists \$350. Contact: Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Office of Continuing Medical Education, Turner 20, 720 Rutland Ave., Baltimore, MD 21205-2195 Phone: (410) 955-2959. Fax: (410) 955-0807. E-mail: cmenet@jhmi.edu. Web site: http://www.med.jhu.edu/cme.

April 10-12, 2000-28th Annual Meeting of the BNMS. Sponsor: British Nuclear Medicine Society. Location: Brighton, UK. Topics: Annual lecture by Prof. F. Corstens on imaging of infection and inflammation; invited reviews. including gated SPECT, thyroid eye disease and sentinel node detection; interactive teaching sessions on bone and brain imaging and imaging artifacts; original papers on physics and technology, radiopharmacy and clinical nuclear medicine. Credit: Up to 17 CME hr or CPD credits. Fee: Members £110 before March 11, £145 after March 10; nonmembers £150 before March 11, £185 after March 10. Contact: BNMS Conference Secretary, 56 Silverdale, London SE26 4SJ, UK. Web site: http://www.bnms.org.uk/annmeet.html.

May 5-7, 2000—8th Annual Cardiac SPECT Symposium and Workshop. **Sponsor:** St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center. **Location:**

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47th Annual MeetingJune 3–7, 2000
America's Center
St. Louis, MO

48th Annual MeetingJune 24–28, 2001
Toronto Convention Centre
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

New York, NY. Topics: Diagnostic and prognostic value of myocardial SPECT; radiopharmaceuticals and pharmacologic stress; perfusion SPECT workshops; gated SPECT clinical applications; FDG collimated and coincidence SPECT; gamma camera QC; artifacts; myocardial viability; filtering; technical aspects of SPECT, including attenuation correction; competing noninvasive modalities. Credit: 17.5 Category 1 CME hr; 17.5 VOICE hr. Fee: Physicians and technologists \$675; residents and fellows \$400. Contact: J. Collette, CME Office, St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center, 1111 Amsterdam Ave., New York, NY 10025. Phone: (212) 523-2138. Fax: (212) 523-2074. Web site: http://www.wehealnewyork.org/ professionals/classes/symposium.html.

May 17-20, 2000-ESCI 2000: 34th Annual Scientific Meeting of the ESCI. Sponsor: European Society for Clinical Investigation. Location: Aarhus, Denmark. Topics: Basic methods in molecular biology; plenary lectures by Jens Christian Skou on identification of the sodiumpotassium ATPase pump; diagnosis and treatment of neuroendocrine gastrointestinal tumors; Drosophila host defense and evolution of innate immunity; cytoplasmic transport of amphipathic molecules. Fee: Before/after April 15: members 300/350 €; nonmembers 350/425 €; students 150/200 €; one day 200/200 €. Contact: Susanne Keiding, MD, Meeting President, PET-Centre and Department of Medicine V, Aarhus University Hospital, DK-8000 Aarhus C, Denmark. Phone: +45 8949 3031. Fax: +45 8949 3020. E-mail: esci2000@pet.auh.dk. Web site: http://www.pet.au.dk/esci2000.

May 20-24, 2000—30th Annual Scientific Meeting of the ANZSNM. Sponsor: Australian and New Zealand Society of Nuclear Medicine. Location: Adelaide, Australia. Topics: New developments in nuclear cardiology, radioimmunotherapy, FDG PET in oncology and lymphoscintigraphy. Fee: AU\$690. Contact: Stan Penglis, Conference Convenor, Royal Adelaide Hospital Radiopharmacy,

North Terrace, Adelaide, Australia 5000. Phone: +61 8 8222 5408. Fax: +61 8 8222 5949. E-mail: s.penglis@unisa.edu.au. Web site: www.camtech.net.au/~plevin/ANZSNM2000.

May 25–27, 2000—Nuclear Cardiology Today: 2000 and Beyond. (Meeting President: H.W. Strauss; Co-directors: J. Leppo, P.L. Pieri, and B. Zaret). Sponsor: Bufalini Hospital, Cesena, Italy. Location: Cesena, Italy. Topics: Risk assessment in coronary artery disease; vasoreactivity; myocardial perfusion imaging in acute coronary syndromes; radionuclide imaging in left ventricular dysfunction; molecular nuclear cardiology; technical advances in instrumentation; radionuclide assessment of the effect of therapy. Abstract deadline: March 20, 2000. Fee: Lit 350,000 (180 €, US\$190). Contact: Pier Luigi Pieri, MD, Scientific Secretariat, Division of Medicina Polispecialistica, Nuclear Cardiology Unit, "M. Bufalini Hospital," V.le Ghirotti, 286-47023 Cesena, Italy. Phone: +39 0547 352860. Fax: +39 0547 304010. E-mail: gpieri@ausl-cesena.emr.it. Web site: http://www.ausl-cesena.emr.it/AUSLCesena/ NuclearCardiologyToday/default.html.

May 25-28, 2000-Peptide Radiopharmaceuticals in Diagnosis and Therapy. Location: Rome, Italy. Topics: Preclinical development: new approaches to peptide production, peptide labeling for diagnosis and therapy, nucleotide-based radiopharmaceuticals, dosimetry and biodistribution studies, antibody fragments to genetically engineered constructs; clinical applications: oncology (diagnosis and therapy), inflammation, atherosclerosis and thrombosis, autoimmune diseases and vasculitis. Abstract deadline: January 31, 2000. Fee: Lit 500,000. Contact: Marco Chianelli, MD, PhD, c/o NuMED Group, Via Baglivi, 12, 00161-Rome, Italy. Phone or fax: +39.06.440 2565. E-mail: mch@caspur.it. Web site: www.peptide2000.com.

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Student Fellowships-These grants are designed to stimulate interest among students in the United States and Canada. These awards provide an opportunity to spend elective quarters and/or summers working with experts in the field. Maximum grant is \$3000 for 3 months. Ranking of the candidate will be based on the quality and originality of the research proposal submitted. Applicants must provide the information requested in the application form for consideration. Decisions on candidates' ranking will be made at the Mid-Winter and Annual Meetings of SNM. The number of candidates to whom awards will be made is determined by the funds available for student fellowships. Application deadline: April 15, 2000.

Pilot Research Grants—These grants are intended to provide seed money to scientists working in the nuclear medicine field. Such proposals must be of a pilot nature in either clinical or basic research. Maximum grant is

\$5000. Applicants must provide the information requested in the application form for consideration, including justification of why this is a pilot research grant and how it will allow the applicant to fully develop his or her research program. Decisions on such grants, based on available funding, will be made at the Mid-Winter and Annual Meetings of SNM. Application deadline: April 15, 2000.

Tetalman Award—Established by the family and friends of Marc Tetalman, MD, this fund provides an annual award of \$2500 to one investigator (36 years old or younger or within 7 years of award of degree [MD or PhD]) in nuclear medicine for his or her accomplishments. Applications must include a curriculum vitae, a statement detailing research accomplishments and future goals, three or more letters of recommendation from established investigators, and up to three selected reprints. Application deadline: March 1, 2000.