MEETINGS SPONSORED BY THE SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR MEDICINE

Chapter Meetings

■ OCTOBER

October 2–4, 1992
33rd Annual Meeting: Correlative Imaging. Sponsor: Southeastern Chapter. Location: Stouffer Hotel, Nashville, TN. This conference will cover correlative imaging with emphasis placed on nuclear myocardial imaging, neurological imaging, noninvasive, non-nuclear cardiac imaging, nuclear oncology, and recent developments in nuclear imaging. Abstract Deadline: June 1, 1992. Credit: Category I AMA, VOICE, and State Technologist. Fee: member/nonmember: $100/$150 physicians, scientists; $85/$85 residents; $60/$85 technologists. Contact: Dr. Vincent J. Sodd, Executive Director, Southeastern Chapter, SNM, Inc., 5987 Turpin Hills Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244. (513) 231-6955.

October 16–18, 1992
Nuclear Medicine in the Gateway City. Sponsor: Central Chapter/Missouri Valley Chapter. Location: Hyatt Regency St. Louis, MO, at Union Station. This is the first joint meeting between the Missouri Valley and the Central chapters. Topics will include PET, multi-headed SPECT imaging of the brain, myocardium, and other organs; recent advances in the use of MoAbs; and new developments in clinical nuclear medicine. Commercial Exhibits: Yes. Abstract Deadline: July 20, 1992. Credit: Category I AMA and VOICE. Fee: member/nonmember: $75/$100 physicians, scientists; $50/$65 technologists. Contact: Dr. Vincent J. Sodd, Executive Director, Central Chapter, SNM, Inc., 5987 Turpin Hills Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244. (513) 231-6955.

October 22–25, 1992
17th Annual Western Regional Meeting. Sponsor: Western Regional Chapters. Location: Pointe at Squaw Peak, Phoenix, AZ. Topics presented will be PET, SPECT, brain, bone, oncology, thyroid, and cardiology. Commercial Exhibits: Yes. Abstract Deadline: July 10, 1992. Credit: 19 hr Category I, VOICE. Fee: member/nonmember: $165/$185 physicians, scientists; $80/$105 technologists; $90/$115 residents. Contact: Joyce Matin, PO Box 2189, Roseville, CA 95746. (916) 791-3428.

■ DECEMBER

December 7–9, 1992
Evaluating and Selecting Hospital Information Systems. Sponsor: Harvard School of Public Health. Location: Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA. Using a workshop format, the curriculum will cover decision support system; operating room, shift and appointment scheduling; pharmacy support; research data bases; financial analysis, planning and patient account systems; blood bank, medical records, and purchasing and inventory management; bed-side terminals; and ambulatory care systems. Credit: 18 hr Category I. Fee: $795. Contact: Mary F. McPeak, Office of Continuing Education, Harvard School of Public Health, 677 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115. (617) 432-1171.

■ JANUARY

January 4–8, 1993
The Complete MRI Course. Sponsor: Dept. of Radiology, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Location: Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua, Maui, HI. This course will cover all areas of MRI, including the brain, spine, head and neck, musculoskeletal system, abdomen, chest and pelvis. Advanced imaging techniques such as fast scanning, MR angiography and phased coil arrays will also be discussed. Credit: 25 hr Category I, pending. Fee: $575 tuition; $400 residents. Contact: Janice Ford, Manager, CME, Dept. of Radiology, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, 3400 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. (215) 662-6904.

January 15–17, 1993
Current Status and Future Directions of Immunonjugates—V. Sponsor: University of Miami School of Medicine. Location: Sonesta Beach Resort, Key Biscayne, FL. Contact: Division of Continuing Medical Education, University of Miami School of Medicine, PO. Box 016960 (D23-3), Miami, FL 33101. (305) 547-6716.

January 30–February 6, 1993
Vail 1993: Clinical MRI. Sponsor: Florida
Radiological Society. Location: Marriott’s Mark Resort, Vail, CO. This is the first of a series of courses sponsored by this Florida society. Others will be held in March and May. Credit: 20 hr Category I CME, 20 hr ASRT ECE. Fee: $495 physicians, scientists, company representatives; $395 residents, fellows, military, nurses, and technologists. Contact: Florida Radiological Society, Committee on Educational Symposia, PO. Box 17241, Tampa, FL 33682. (813) 254-4608 or (800) 338-5901.

FEBRUARY

February 4–7, 1993
Computed Body Tomography 1993—The Cutting Edge. Sponsor: The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Location: The Peabody Orlando Hotel, Orlando, FL. This seminar will provide a comprehensive review of recent advances in computed tomography of the chest and abdomen, including the spine, with some correlation with MRI. Credit: 22 hr Category I. Fee: $525 physicians; $400 residents, fellows, technologists. Contact: Program Coordinator, John Hopkins Medical Institutions, Office of Continuing Education, Turner Building, 720 Rutland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21205.

February 9–12, 1993
Handling of Radiation Accidents by Emergency Personnel. Sponsor: REAC/TS. Location: Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, Oak Ridge, TN. This course is for physicians and nurses who may be called upon to provide emergency medical service to a radiation-accident victim. This course emphasizes the practical aspects of handling a contaminated victim by discussing the fundamentals of radiation, how to detect and measure it, how to prevent the spread of contamination, and many other subjects. The course will also be provided in March, April, and September 1993. Fee: $75. Contact: Pat Cooley, Registrar, REAC/TS, Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, PO. Box 117, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. (615) 576-3131

February 28–March 2, 1993
Positron Emission Tomography: Clinical Applications and Practical Considerations. Sponsor: UCLA Division of Nuclear Medicine and Biophysics; Dana Point Resort, Dana Point, CA. This course is for physicians and other professionals seeking to understand PET’s present and future impact on medicine. Topics will include: New Clinical Applications in oncology, neurology, and cardiology; competing imaging modalities (SPECT, MRI, CT); lowering health care costs with PET; patterns of reimbursement. A stimulating variety of presentation methods (including six workshops, interactive computers, videos, reading sessions) combined with limited enrollment will provide an ideal learning experience. Credit: 17.5 CME Credits. Fee: $495 physicians; $395 fellows, residents, and technologists. Contact: Wendy Hagar, Division of Nuclear Medicine, UCLA School of Medicine, 10833 Le Conte Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024. (310) 825-2724.

MARCH

March 10–12, 1993
PET and SPECT Imaging of Living Brain Chemistry. Sponsor: Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Location: Thomas B. Turner Building, Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, MD. The objective of this course is to inform nuclear medicine physicians, psychiatrists, neuroscientists, neurologists, surgeons, radiologists, and technologists of the latest uses of PET and simple probe systems to study brain function and chemistry. Credit: 18 AMA Category I. Fee: $495 physicians; $395 residents, fellows, and allied health professionals. Contact: Patty Campbell, Program Coordinator, Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Office of Continuing Education, Turner Building, 720 Rutland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21205. (410) 955-6046.

March 21–24, 1993

APRIL

April 7–8, 1993
29th Annual Meeting of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurement. Sponsor: NCRP, Bethesda, MD. Location: Crystal City Marriott, Arlington, VA. The principal scientific session will be: Radiation Science and the Public: Can the Gap Be Bridged? Contact: NCRP, 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 800, Bethesda, MD 20814. (301) 657-2652.

MAY

May 3–7, 1993
1993 Incentration Conference. Sponsor: University of California, Irvine. Location: Holiday Inn—World’s Fair and Knoxville Convention Center, Knoxville, TN. The conference will present topics of current interest to waste management professionals. Technical and scientific advances will be discussed by experts from the international community, who are involved with thermal treatment technologies for the management of radioactive, hazardous, mixed, Superfund, and medical wastes. Abstract Deadline: April 2, 1993. Contact: C. Baker, University of California, Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S), Irvine, CA 92717. (714) 856-7066.

NOTICES

AWARDS COMMITTEE, SNM
Named Lectureships—Lectureships are available in either the Scientific Program or Continuing Education track of the June Annual Meeting. An SNM Chapter or Council may apply to the Awards Committee for a “named” lecturership (e.g., “Blumgart Lecture” sponsored by the New England Chapter). The rules are as follows: (a) submit applications one year prior to the June Annual Meeting, (b) sponsorship must be committed for a minimum of three years and requires that a minimum deposit of $3,000 (approximately $1,000/year) be placed in a specially designated fund by the sponsoring body. The sponsor must also pay for the lecturer’s travel, hotel, food, and incidental expenses at the Annual Meeting, and a suitable honorarium (e.g., minimum of $500), and (c) selection of the lecturer will be made by the Scientific Program Chairperson or designee in consultation with the sponsoring Chapter or Council.

MEDICAL TELEVISION SHOW
American Medical Television—The AMA is sponsoring “American Medical Television” (AMT), a television show for physicians. The program features clinical, socioeconomic and legislative information and news of interest to practicing physicians. AMT also carries continuing medical education credits. The show airs every Sunday from 10 A.M. until noon on the Discovery Channel.

SNM EDUCATION AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION
Student Fellowship Grants—These grants are designed to stimulate interest among students in the United States and Canada in the field of nuclear medicine. These awards provide an opportunity to spend elective quarters and/or summers working with experts in the field. Maximum grant: $3,000 for three months. Applications can be obtained from the office of the E&R Foundation, The Society of Nuclear
Medicine, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016-6760. Applicants are advised that they must provide the information requested in the application form to be considered. The ranking of the candidate will be based on the quality and originality of the research proposal submitted. Deadlines: Dec. 15, 1992 and May 1, 1993. Decisions on the candidates' rankings will be made at the Midwinter and Annual Meetings of the Society. The number of candidates to whom awards will be made will be a function of the funds available for student fellowships.

Pilot Research Grants—These grants are intended to provide seed money to scientists working in nuclear medicine. Such proposals must be of a pilot nature in either clinical or basic research. Maximum grant: $5,000. Applicants may obtain an application form from the office of the E&R Foundation and are advised that all the information requested must be completed for an application to be considered, including justification of why this is a pilot research grant and how it will allow the applicant, if successful, to fully develop his/her research program. Deadlines: Dec. 15, 1992 and May 1, 1993. Decisions on such grants, based on available funding, will be made at the Midwinter and Annual Meetings of the Society. Send letters and applications to Dennis Patton, MD, President, E&R Foundation, The Society of Nuclear Medicine, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016-6760.

Tetelman Memorial Award—The fund, established by the family and friends of Marc Tetelman, MD, provides an annual award of $2,500 to one young investigator (36 years or younger) in nuclear medicine for his/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. Send letters and applications prior to March 1, 1992 to: Dennis Patton, MD, President, E&R Foundation, The Society of Nuclear Medicine, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016-6760.

GE RADIOLOGY RESEARCH ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS
Nominations are now being accepted for GE Radiology Research Academic Fellowships (GERRAF), according to an announcement by GE Medical Systems and the Association of University Radiologists. Up to six young radiology researchers will be selected to receive two-year, $50,000 fellowships beginning with the 1993 academic year. The GERRAF program was inaugurated in 1992 to help address the shortage of young radiologists entering academic research careers. The program is designed to strengthen the radiology research interest of these young investigators and broaden their opportunities for continuing scholarship. Also, it helps foster original clinical and health services research in technology assessment, health and economic outcome methods, and decision analysis related to diagnostic imaging. GERRAF fellows are chosen by an independent review board comprised of eminent academic and clinical radiologists, other physicians, and scholars in related fields. Selection criteria includes the goal and quality of the proposed research project, the cooperation and commitment of sponsoring institutions, and the recommendations of mentors and colleagues. All accredited radiology training institutions in the U.S. and Canada may nominate one GERRAF candidate each year. Nomination forms are now being distributed directly to all eligible institutions against a list developed by the Association of University Radiologists. Nomination deadline is October 31, 1992. Recipients will be announced in March 1993.

SIXTH ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP AWARD IN CARDIAC IMAGING
Squibb Diagnostics and the Society for Cardiac Angiography and Interventions invite the submission of applications for the sixth annual award of the Squibb Diagnostics/SCA&I Fellowship Program for Research in Cardiac Imaging for 1993-94. The program will award up to three fellowships to physicians-in-training with demonstrated medical excellence whose research promises diagnostic advancement and contribution to cardiac imaging. The awards are limited to a maximum of $25,000 each. The purpose of the awards is to encourage meaningful scientific investigation of cardiac imaging and to foster new insights into patient care. Those selected for the 1993-94 awards will be notified by March 1, 1993, and will be honored at the 16th Annual Meeting of the Society for Cardiac Angiography and Interventions, May 18-22, 1993, at the Hyatt Hotel in San Antonio, TX. A description of the fellowships, eligibility requirements, and application materials are available from the Squibb Diagnostics/SCA&I Fellowship Program Awards Committee, Attn: Barbara J. Schmid, PO. Box 7849, Breckenridge, CO 80424. (303) 453-1773. Application deadline: February 1, 1993.

MALLINCKRODT FELLOWSHIP
Research and Development Fellowship—Mallinckrodt, Inc. has announced an Annual Fellowship of $30,000 for a physician fellow active in nuclear medicine research and/or development. The award is to further a research or development project, and applicants are asked to submit their curriculum vitae, a detailed account of their research project including prior accomplishments on the project, and future plans. Deadline for this year's award is January 8, 1993. Requested information, along with at least two letters supporting the application, should be forwarded to: William J. MacIntyre, PhD, The Society of Nuclear Medicine, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016-6760. The recipient will be announced at the Annual Meeting of The Society of Nuclear Medicine.

DU PONT RESEARCH GRANT
Du Pont Pharma Cardiovascular Nuclear Medicine Research Grants—The Society of Nuclear Medicine Awards Committee announces that two grants for $25,000 each are available July 1, 1993. The purpose of these grants is to encourage physicians to enter the field of cardiovascular nuclear medicine and to support high quality nuclear cardiology clinical research.

Funds can be used to support the research and/or salary of the investigator. Preference will be given to young physicians, or to those new to the field of cardiovascular nuclear medicine. Recipients will be announced at the Annual SNM Business Meeting, June 1993.

To obtain an application or more information contact: The Society of Nuclear Medicine, SNM Awards Committee, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. Application deadline: January 8, 1993.

PAUL C. AEBERSOLD AWARD
Outstanding Achievement Award—Nominations are invited for the Paul C. Aebersold Award for outstanding achievement in basic science applied to nuclear medicine. This award commemorates the contributions of Dr. Paul Clarence Aebersold to the applications of nuclear physics to nuclear medicine and radiation biology, as well as his contributions to The Society of Nuclear Medicine. Dr. Aebersold contributed greatly to the emergence of nuclear medicine as a discipline by his energetic leadership in the provision of cyclotron-generated and reactor-produced radionuclides, and by his numerous publications and lectures. In giving this award, the Society thus symbolically signifies its appreciation of the warm and vital person who became our first Honorary Member and whose enthusiastic encouragement and support contributed importantly to the formation and success of the SNM. Nominations should be supported by the nominee's curriculum vitae and at least two letters supporting the nomination. These letters should describe briefly the contributions in basic science for which the nominee is proposed. The nominee need not

Request for Publications Donations—The Developing Countries Libraries Program of the International Organization for Medical Physics (IOMP) is urgently requesting donations of any medical or health physics publications. Currently, there are 38 active IOMP libraries in developing countries and the program is expanding so rapidly that we are unable to meet the demand for resources. Any donations would be greatly appreciated, particularly medical journals. Most of these libraries have also requested copies of NCRP, ICRP, and ICRU publications, and basic medical physics and radiation safety textbooks. Even previous editions of any of these books would be gratefully received by the libraries, since they generally cannot afford to purchase even the most basic references. For more information, please contact Catherine Wamelink, MS, at: Gershenson ROC, Harper Hospital, 3990 John R, Detroit, Michigan 48201. Fax (313) 745-2314.

Fellowship for Innovation in Therapy—The Society of Nuclear Medicine and Medi-Physics, Inc. announced the SNM/Medi-Physics Fellowship for Innovation in Therapy with unsealed sources at the plenary session of The Society’s 39th Annual Meeting. A $30,000 fellowship will be awarded each year for a three-year period to a resident or fellow pursuing research in therapy with unsealed sources. The winner of the fellowship will be announced at the SNM 40th Annual Meeting in Toronto, June 8–11, 1993. For more information contact: The Society of Nuclear Medicine, Awards Committee, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. Application deadline: January 15, 1993.