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- 2. Sponsoring group
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- 5. Deadline date for submission of abstracts
- 6. Number of CME credit hours
- 7. Registration fees
- Contact person, address and telephone

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MEETINGS SPONSORED BY THE SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR MEDICINE

September 22-24, 2000—Chapter meeting. Sponsor: Southeastern Chapter of SNM. Location: Clearwater Beach, FL. Topics: Clinical cardiology; clinical oncology; radio-pharmaceuticals of choice; imaging equipment update; telenuclear medicine; PACS. Credit: AMA Category 1; VOICE, Florida Technology, Pharmacy, and Laboratory. Contact: Vincent J. Sodd, PhD, Southeastern Chapter, Society of Nuclear Medicine, 5987 Turpin Hills Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244-3946. Phone: (513) 231-6955. Fax: (513) 231-6955. E-mail: soddyj@blues.fd1.uc.edu.

October 5-8, 2000—Chapter meeting. Sponsor: Western Regional Chapter of SNM. Location: Sacramento, CA. Contact: Joyce Matin, P.O. Box 2693, Kirkland, WA 98083-2693. Phone/ fax: (425) 893-8410. E-mail: wrsociety@aol.com.

October 6-8, 2000—Chapter meeting. Sponsor: Missouri Valley Chapter of SNM. Location: Des Moines, IA. Contact: Nanci Burchell, 6814 N. Liberty, Kansas City, MO 64118. Phone: (816) 468-4659. E-mail: nburchell@cmh.edu or nancibur@aol.com.

October 15-18, 2000-12th Annual International PET Conference. Sponsor: Institute for Clinical PET and Society of Nuclear Medicine. Location: Washington, DC. Topics: Basic clinical PET sessions on oncology, cardiology, and neurology; advanced emerging PET ses sions on new radiotracers, technology, and clinical indications; workshops: read-with-theexperts sessions and case reviews. Credit: Approximately 18 ACCME, AMA, ACPE, and VOICE CME hr. Fee: Physician members \$435; nonmembers \$535. Contact: Susan Arrowsmith, Institute for Clinical PET, PMB 520, 26741 Portola Pky., Ste. 1E, Foothill Ranch, CA 92610-1743. Phone: (714) 649-0427. Fax: (714) 649-3548. E-mail: icpmail@aol.com.

MEETINGS SPONSORED BY VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

May 24-26, 2000-7th Scientific Congress of the Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine with the Baltic, Central and Eastern Europe Nuclear Medicine Conference. Sponsor: Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine. Location: Gdańsk, Poland. Contact: Dr. Piotr Lass, Department of Nuclear Medicine, Medical University, 80-211 Gdańsk, Debinki St. 7, Poland. Phone: +48 58 3462204. Fax: +48 58 3016115. E-mail: plass@amedec.amg.gda.pl. Web site: www.balticnuclear.med.pl.

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; radionuclide imaging in left ventricular dysfunction; molecular nuclear cardiology. 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: peptide production, peptide labeling for diagnosis and therapy, nucleotide-based radiopharmaceuticals, dosimetry and biodistribution studies, antibody fragments to genetically engineered constructs. Fee: Lit 500,000. Contact: Marco Chianelli, MD, PhD, c/o NuMED Group, Via Baglivi, 12, 00161-Rome, Italy. Phone/fax: +39.06.440 2565. E-mail: mch@caspur.it. Web site: www.peptide2000.com.

June 10-14, 2000—Partnerships for Medical Vision. Sponsor: Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists, The Canadian Association of Radiologists, and Canadian Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers. Location: Toronto, Ontario. Topics: Low-level radiation, biological effects; PACS primer and remote viewing; new developments and future of radiopharmaceuticals in NM. Fee: After April 15/on site: members \$400/\$450; nonmembers \$550/\$600. Contact: International Conference Services Ltd., 411 Richmond St. E., Ste. 1, Toronto, ON, Canada M5A 3S5. Phone: (416) 365-2153. Fax: (416) 365-9343. Web site: www.medicalvisionto2000.com.

June 17-20, 2000—5th National Congress of AIMN. Sponsor: Italian Association of Nuclear Medicine. Location: Pesaro, Italy. Topics: Breast carcinoma; therapeutic procedures; diagnostic strategies in nuclear cardiology; radioprotection. Fee: AIMN members Lit 270,000 (138.46 €); nonmembers Lit 350,000 (179.48 €); residents and fellows Lit 180,000 (92.31 €). Contact: Dr. Ernesto Brianzoni or Intercontact, c.so XI Settembre 129, 61100 Pesaro, Italy. E-mail: erbrianz@tin.it or intercontact@abanet.it.

July 1-6, 2000—Nuclear Medicine Update. Sponsor: Emory University School of Medicine. Location: Sea Island, GA. Topics: recent developments and practical review of clinical nuclear medicine; clinical presentations (FDG coincidence imaging, prostate cancer imaging, and myocardial perfusion imaging). Credit: 20 Category 1 hr. Fee: Physicians \$550; technologists and residents \$300. Contact: Melissa Boone, Office of Continuing Medical Education, Emory University School of Medicine, 1462 Clifton Rd., NE, Ste. 276, Atlanta, GA. Phone: (404) 727-5695. Fax: (404) 727-5667. E-mail: mboone@medadm.emory.edu. Web site: www.emory.edu/WHSC/MED/CME.

September 2-6, 2000—EANM Paris 2000 Congress. Sponsor: European Association of Nuclear Medicine. Location: Paris, France. Fee: Before/after May 22 (until August 20): delegates (EANM members) 234/372 €; delegates (nonmembers) 450/585 €; trainees (EANM members) 195/440 €; trainees (nonmembers) 355/510 €; technologists and students (EANM members) 70/150 €; technologists and students (nonmembers) 140/195 €. Contact: Professor Serge Askienazy, Faculté

SNM MEETING DATES AND VENUES

47th Annual Meeting

June 3–7, 2000 America's Center St. Louis, MO

48th Annual Meeting

June 23–27, 2001 Toronto Convention Centre Toronto, Ontario, Canada

49th Annual Meeting

June 15–19, 2002 Los Angeles Convention Center Los Angeles, CA

50th Annual Meeting

June 21–25, 2003 Ernest N. Morial Memorial Convention Center New Orleans, LA de Médecine Saint-Antoine, 27 rue Chaligny, 75012 Paris, France. Phone: +33-0-14468-8845. Fax: +33-0-14468-8846. E-mail: congress@eanm-paris2000.com. Web site: http://www.eanm-paris2000.com.

July 9-14, 2000—World Alzheimer Congress 2000: Pivotal Research & Bridging Research and Care. Sponsor: Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc. Location: Washington, DC. Topics: Advances in research and care, diagnostic tools, drug therapies, nonpharmacological treatments, ethical considerations. Fee: Pivotal research session \$550; bridging research and care session \$200. Contact: Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc., 919 N. Michigan Ave., Ste. 1100, Chicago, IL 60611-1676. Phone: (312) 335-5813. Fax: (312) 335-1110. E-mail: alzheimer2000@alz.org. Web site: www.alzheimer2000.org.

September 21-24, 2000-5th Annual ASNC Symposium and Scientific Session. Sponsor: American Society of Nuclear Cardiology. Location: Chicago, IL. Topics: State-of-theart reviews, research, advances, and technical issues in nuclear cardiology; performance of nuclear cardiology procedures; radiation physics course. Fee: Before/after June 1:

ASNC members \$545/\$595; nonmembers \$645/\$695; technologists, residents, and fellows \$300/\$325. Contact: Nichols & Nichols, Secretariat, 7045 S. Tamiami Trail, Ste. 2B, Sarasota, FL 34231. Phone: (941) 927-6565. Fax: (941) 927-1936. E-mail: mtgmgr@gte.net.

October 12-14, 2000—8th Conference on Radioimmunodetection and Radioimmunotherapy of Cancer. Sponsor: Garden State Cancer Center and Center for Molecular Medicine and Immunology. Location: Princeton, NJ. Fee: Before/after July 15: \$525/\$585. Contact: Lois Gillespie, Conference Coordinator, Garden State Cancer Center, 520 Belleville Ave., Belleville, NJ 07190. Phone: (973) 844-7000. Fax: (973) 844-7020. E-mail: gscancer@att.net.

EXAMINATION

October 29, 2000—Certification Examination in Nuclear Cardiology. Sponsor: Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology. Location: Rosemont, IL. Registration deadline: Early: May 19, 2000; late: July 21, 2000. Contact: Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology, 9111 Old Georgetown Rd., Bethesda, MD 20814. Phone: (301) 493-2360. Fax: (301) 493-2376.

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Benedict Cassen Prize—This prize honors Benedict Cassen, whose invention of the rectilinear radioisotope scanner—the first instrument capable of making an image of a body organ in a patient—was seminal to the development of clinical nuclear medicine. The prize is intended to recognize a significant achievement in nuclear medicine and is to be awarded to a living scientist or physician-scientist but may be increased in exceptional circumstances if the prize is shared by more than one individual. The prize will be awarded at the Annual Meeting of the SNM, during which the recipient may present a featured lecture. A panel of distinguished national and international scientists and/or physician-scientists will assist in selecting the individual. Nomination deadline: November 1, 2000.

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 deadlines: December 15, 2000, and April 15, 2001.

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 deadlines: December 15, 2000, and April 15, 2001.

Benedict Cassen Postdoctoral Fellowship—This fellowship is awarded to recent doctoral degree recipients demonstrating an excellent academic record and exceptional research ability. Its purpose is to broaden recipients' basic exposure to nuclear medicine research at an institution different from that conferring the doctoral degree. The award, amounting to \$25,000 per year for two years, is contingent upon satisfactory performance in the first year. Application deadline: January 3, 2001.

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, 2001.