

PA and without concomitant ^{99m}Tc -sestamibi-avid thyroid nodules.”

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^{11}C -WAY PET and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

Cleare et al. from the Institute of Psychiatry and Guy's, King's and St. Thomas' School of Medicine (London, UK) reported in the February

issue of *Biological Psychiatry* (2005; 57:239–246) on a study assessing brain 5-HT_{1A} receptor binding potential using PET ^{11}C -WAY-100635 in patients with chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS). The study included 10 medication-free patients, who fulfilled consensus criteria for CFS and had no diagnosed psychiatric illness, and 10 healthy individuals. The authors found that the patients with CFS showed a marked reduction in

5-HT_{1A} receptor binding potential compared with control individuals, a difference that was especially visible in the hippocampus. They noted that this decrease is not necessarily a primary feature of CFS but may be related to underlying pathophysiology or may be secondary to other processes, such as previous depression or biological changes associated with CFS.

Biological Psychiatry

NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

March 15, 2005

Members of the Society of Nuclear Medicine:

The following Item represents a proposed amendment to the SNM Bylaws based on the request of SNM members and the House of Delegates. This change was presented to the House of Delegates at the recent mid-winter meeting in Tampa and is now being distributed to the membership. Its approval will be voted on by the House of Delegates in June 2005.

The proposal would add a new section to Article III (Membership) to create an additional designation for members, i.e. Life Member. This designation would not replace the existing membership classifications but would rather give special recognition to members who have met certain criteria, determined by the Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

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ITEM 1

ADD to ARTICLE III

Section 2: Life Membership

Members of the Society in any membership classification who have made special contributions and commitments to the Society may be designated by the Board of Directors as Life Members. Criteria for eligibility and selection procedures shall be determined by the Board. Life Members shall retain all rights, privileges, and responsibilities of their membership classification and shall have such additional privileges and recognition as are granted by the Board, consistent with the Bylaws.

RATIONALE: A mechanism is desired to recognize and reward individuals who have made specific contributions to the Society including monetary contributions and a commitment to be involved in the furtherance of the mission of the Society. Life membership may have a different dues structure and certain limited privileges, such as VIP registration, as determined by the Board. Life Membership is an additional designation, which members may seek in addition to their primary membership classification.

Existing Sections 2 and 3 of Article III would be renumbered as Sections 3 and 4 respectively but would not be changed in any other way.