Outstanding JNMT Articles for 2005

On June 6, Beth A. Harkness, CNMT, editor-in-chief of the Journal of Nuclear Medicine Technology (JNMT), presented awards for 3 articles chosen as outstanding contributions to JNMT in 2005 at the SNM annual meeting in San Diego, CA. The lead authors or their representatives received plaques and honoraria in a ceremony held during the annual business meeting of the SNMTS.


Beth Harkness, left, presented Waheeda Sureshbabu with the second-place award for an outstanding contribution to JNMT.

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Gambhir received the 2006 Hounsfield Medal from the Imperial College (London, UK), the Distinguished Clinical Scientist Award from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation (2004), the Academy of Molecular Imaging Basic Scientist Award (2004), the Society of Molecular Imaging Achievement Award (2004), the Holst Medal (2003), and the Taplin Award (2002). His work has been featured on the covers of numerous journals including JNM, Circulation, Journal of Urology, Breast Cancer Research and Treatment, Nuclear Medicine and Biology, Cancer Cell, FASEB, Gastroenterology, and Science.

Gambhir and his students built a game-based learning system called “Let’s Play PET,” which explores all aspects of PET from the principles of cyclotron operation to the clinical application of PET in cardiology, neurology and oncology. He has presented several named lectures and numerous invited lectures. He has published 190 original articles in peer-reviewed journals. He is one of 35 members (and the only nuclear medicine representative) on the NCI Scientific Advisory Board. He serves as an adviser to GE Healthcare, Varian Medical, Genentech, GlaxoSmithKline, Millennium, Visualsonics, and other companies.

The award winner expressed his appreciation to a number of individuals for their support over the years, including “all my colleagues at UCLA and Stanford, my parents, and my wife, Aruna, son, Milan, and, in particular, my mentors at UCLA: Michael E. Phelps, Harvey R. Herschman, Jorge R. Barrio, Heinrich R. Schelbert, and Sung-Cheng Huang. In addition, I want to thank other colleagues who work in the gene imaging field, including Juri Gelovani, Ron Blasberg, Uwe Haberkorn, David Piwnica-Worms, June-Key Chung, and many others.”