

Outstanding JNM Articles for 2007

Heinrich R. Schelbert, MD, PhD, and the associate editors and editorial board of *The Journal of Nuclear Medicine (JNM)* announced in June the articles chosen as the most outstanding contributions to the literature appearing in *JNM* in 2007. The authors of these articles were honored at the SNM 55th Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA, on June 16. Authors were presented with certificates and plaques recognizing their achievements. “The articles recognized this year again represent the great range and promise of current molecular imaging and therapy endeavors,” said Schelbert. “The work of the honorees in both the clinical and basic science categories provides compelling evidence that our field is already effecting tremendous technological change and achievement, with new techniques, novel hybrid applications, and innovative diagnostic and therapeutic discoveries that promise to transition rapidly to routine practice and improve outcomes for patients with a variety of diseases. I congratulate these authors for their contributions. The continuing high quality of articles submitted for publication in the journal from researchers around the world is encouraging and rewarding for those of us involved in the editorial process—and undoubtedly a strong factor in the recent extraordinary growth in the *JNM* impact factor to 5.915.”

In the Clinical Science Investigations category, awards were presented to: Michael Gabriel, Clemens Decristoforo, Dorota Kendler, Georg Dobrozemsky, Dirk Heute, Christian Uprimny, Peter Kovacs, Elisabeth Von Guggenberg, Reto Bale, and Irene J. Virgolini from Innsbruck Medical University (Austria) for “ ^{68}Ga -DOTA-Tyr³-octreotide PET in neuroendocrine tumors: comparison with somatostatin receptor scintigraphy and CT” (*J Nucl Med.* 2007;48:508–518); David M. Schuster, John R. Votaw, Peter T. Nieh, Weiping Yu, Jonathon A. Nye, Viraj Master, F. DuBois



Schelbert (left) presents Clinical Science Investigations awards to Oyen, Schuster, and Gabriel.

Bowman, Muta M. Issa, and Mark M. Goodman from Emory University (Atlanta, GA) for “Initial experience with the radiotracer anti-1-amino-3- ^{18}F -fluorocyclobutane-1-carboxylic acid with PET/CT in prostate carcinoma” (*J Nucl Med.* 2007; 48:56–63); and Chantal P. Bleeker-Rovers, Huub J.J.M. Rennen, Otto C. Boerman, Ate B. Wymenga, Eric P. Visser, Johannes H. Bakker, Jos W.M. van der Meer, Frans H.M. Corstens, and Wim J.G. Oyen, from Radboud University Nijmegen Medical Center and Sint Maartenskliniek (The Netherlands) for “ $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ -labeled interleukin 8 for the scintigraphic detection of infection and inflammation: first clinical evaluation” (*J Nucl Med.* 2007;48:337–343).

Awards in the Basic Science Investigations category were given to: Yukitsuka Kudo, Nobuyuki Okamura, Shozo Furumoto, Manabu Tashiro, Katsutoshi Furukawa, Masahiro Maruyama, Masatoshi Itoh, Ren Iwata, Kazuhiko Yanai, and Hiroyuki Arai from Tohoku University (Sendai, Japan) for “2-(2-[2-Dimethylaminothiazol-5-yl]ethenyl)-6-(2-[fluoro]ethoxy)benzoxazole: a novel PET agent for in vivo detection of dense amyloid plaques in Alzheimer’s disease patients” (*J Nucl Med.* 2007;48:553–561); Meng Liu, Rong Fu Wang, Chun Li Zhang, Ping Yan, Ming Ming Yu, Li Juan Di, Hong Jie Liu, and Feng Qin Guo from Peking University First Hospital (Beijing, China) for “Noninvasive imaging of human telomerase reverse transcriptase (hTERT) messenger RNA with $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ -radiolabeled antisense probes in malignant tumors” (*J Nucl Med.* 2007;48:2028–2036); and Michael R. McDevitt, Debjit Chattopadhyay, Barry J. Kappel, Jaspreet Singh Jaggi, Scott R. Schiffman, Christophe Antczak, Jon T. Njardarson, Renier Brentjens, and David A. Scheinberg from the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (New York, NY) and Cornell University (Ithaca, NY) for “Tumor targeting with antibody-functionalized, radiolabeled carbon nanotubes” (*J Nucl Med.* 2007;48:1180–1189). ☼



Schelbert (left) congratulates Basic Science Investigation winners Okamura, McDevitt, and Wang.