

## New Officers for SNMMI and SNMMI-TS

At the SNMMI Annual Meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia, during the second week of June, both the SNMMI and SNMMI Technologist Section (SNMMI-TS) welcomed new officers. Elected at an earlier meeting by the membership of the 2 organizations, these individuals will serve in these positions through 2014.

### SNMMI President

Gary L. Dillehay, MD, professor of radiology at Northwestern Memorial Hospital (Chicago, IL), assumed office as 2013–2014 president of SNMMI on June 10. An SNMMI member for more than 25 years, Dillehay has played an active role in the society. His most recent involvement includes serving as president-elect, as chair of the Coding and Reimbursement Committee, and as a member of the Commission on Health Care Policy, the Computer Technology Assessment Committee, and the American College of Nuclear Medicine/SNMMI Government Relations Committee. He is the SNMMI delegate to the American Medical Association (AMA) and has served in multiple leadership positions in the Central Chapter of SNMMI. He serves on the board of directors for the Joint Review Committee on Education Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology and is an AMA advisor on multiple topics.

Dillehay holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Minnesota (Minneapolis) and received his medical training at the Mayo Medical School (Rochester, MN). He has served as professor of radiology at the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine since 2006. He previously held various academic appointments at Loyola Stritch School of Medicine (Maywood, IL). He has published 19 peer-reviewed articles, 10 book chapters, and 2 books. Dillehay discusses his plans for the coming year in the leadership update pages of this month's Newsline.



**Gary L. Dillehay, MD**

### SNMMI President-Elect

Peter Herscovitch, MD, director of the PET Department at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Clinical Center (Bethesda, MD), assumed office as the 2013–2014 SNMMI president-elect. An SNMMI member since 1983, Herscovitch has been involved in many councils, committees, task forces, and other groups. Most recently, he served as SNMMI vice president-elect, chaired SNMMI's Scientific Program Committee,



**Peter Herscovitch, MD**

served on the SNMMI Center for Molecular Imaging Innovation and Translation (CMIIT) board of directors, and was a member of the Ethics and Education Committees. He received the Kuhl–Lassen Brain Imaging Award in 2000.

“We have entered into a period where new radiopharmaceuticals are being developed, tested, and approved for nuclear medicine and molecular imaging procedures,” said Herscovitch. “As president-elect, I will make it a priority to continue the society's efforts to aid in this process, particularly for brain amyloid imaging radiopharmaceuticals and for <sup>68</sup>Ga radiopharmaceuticals for imaging neuroendocrine tumors.” He added that education for members, outreach to referring physicians, collaboration with the World Molecular Imaging Society for evidence generation, and continuation of work with the Amyloid Imaging Task Force will be main initiatives for brain amyloid imaging. Outreach to members through SNMMI regional chapters will be a goal for Herscovitch as well, with an emphasis on communication and education opportunities. He will also help in implementation of the new SNMMI strategic plan being developed by the board of directors and staff.

Herscovitch holds a medical degree from McGill University and completed his internship and residency at Royal Victoria Hospital (both in Montreal, Quebec). He completed a residency in neurology at McGill and a fellowship in PET at the Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology at Washington University School of Medicine (St. Louis). At Washington University he was an attending physician and an instructor and assistant professor of neurology and radiology. He was named chief of the PET section at the NIH Clinical Center in 1987 and director of the PET Department in 2005. He has published more than 145 peer-reviewed articles, 3 books, and 33 book chapters.

### SNMMI Vice President-Elect

Hossein Jadvar, MD, PhD, MPH, MBA, associate professor of radiology and biomedical engineering and vice chair of radiology research at the University of Southern California (USC, Los Angeles), assumed office as 2013–2014 SNMMI vice president-elect. Throughout his career Jadvar has been active in contributing to the nuclear medicine and molecular imaging field. His involvement with SNMMI includes serving as delegate to the House of Delegates, director-at-large on the SNMMI board of directors, president-elect of the PET Center of Excellence, and chair of the Committee on



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Publications. He also serves as vice chair of the SNMMI Scientific Program Committee, a member of the SNMMI Correlative Imaging Council board of directors, and as a member of *The Journal of Nuclear Medicine* editorial board, among many other activities. Jadvar is also a member of SNMMI's Pacific Southwest Chapter and on the Steering Committee of the Western Regional SNMMI. He is the past recipient of the SNMMI Mark Tetalman Young Investigator Award and the Western Regional SNMMI Distinguished Scientist Award.

"I would like to offer my sincere thanks to all those members who took time from their busy schedules to participate with the voting process," said Jadvar. "Recently, with the help of all SNMMI constituencies, the board of directors developed a new strategic plan for the next 3 years. My primary goal will be to shepherd the successful execution of this strategic plan."

Jadvar received his bachelor of science in chemical engineering from Iowa State University (Ames, IA), followed by a master of science in biomedical engineering from the University of Wisconsin (Madison, WI) and a master of science in computer engineering as well as a doctorate in bioengineering from the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor). He then received his MD from the University of Chicago (IL) Pritzker School of Medicine. He received his master of public of health from Harvard University (Cambridge, MA) and an executive master of business administration from USC. He has also completed a number of executive educational certificate programs at Harvard, the University of Cambridge (UK), the University of Oxford (UK), and the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia). Jadvar has been vice chair of radiology research at USC since 2006 and an attending physician at USC Keck Medical Center and Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, also in Los Angeles, since 1999. He held previous hospital appointments with the Harvard Joint Program in Nuclear Medicine Hospitals, Stanford (CA) University Medical Center, and the University of California San Francisco Moffett-Long Hospital. Jadvar has written more than 80 journal articles and published 3 books and 20 book chapters.

## SNMMI-TS President

Scott Holbrook, BS, CNMT, a pharmaceutical research and regulatory affairs consultant at Invivo Molecular Imaging LLC (Gray, TN) is the 2013–2014 SNMMI-TS president. Since 1998, Holbrook has been involved with SNMMI-TS on many levels, most recently as president-elect, co-chair of the SNMMI CMIIT Research Task Force and member of the CMIIT editorial board, SNMMI-TS representative to the Education and Research Foundation, member of the SNMMI-TS Strategic Planning Task Force, and chair of the SNMMI-TS Professional and Education



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Research Fund. He became an SNMMI-TS fellow in 2005 and was the recipient of the Mallinckrodt Medical Award of Excellence in 1997.

Holbrook graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in Nuclear Medicine Technology from Wheeling Jesuit University (WV) and attended East Tennessee State University, Quillen College of Medicine (Johnson City, TN). Holbrook discusses his plans for the coming year in the leadership update pages of this month's Newsline.

## SNMMI-TS President-Elect

April Mann, BA, CNMT, NCT, RT(N), manager of noninvasive cardiology at Hartford Hospital (CT), is the 2013–2014 SNMMI-TS president-elect. Since 1997, she has served in many positions in SNMMI-TS, most recently as Finance Committee chair and on the Membership and Publications committees. An active member of the SNMMI-TS Chapter, she has also served her region since 1996, including as 2012–2013 president of the chapter and as administrator for the past 13 years.



**April Mann, BA, CNMT, NCT, RT(N)**

"Over the past several years many changes in nuclear medicine have played a significant role in molding the future of the modality," said Mann. "While there have been many positive changes, our field continues to face external pressures—scrutiny due to patient radiation exposure, continued perceptions of overutilization of testing, decreases in reimbursement, and the nation's economy contributing to loss of technologist jobs. I hope to address many of these challenges during my time as president-elect." During her term, Mann will also focus on quality and safety issues for both technologists and patients. She will work to continue collaborations with peer organizations to create initiatives that increase public awareness of the many benefits of nuclear medicine procedures. In addition to developing these collaborations, she will develop training opportunities for technologists in the many career paths available within the field today.

Mann began her career in nuclear medicine technology nearly 25 years ago as a staff technologist and, since 1991, has been employed at Hartford Hospital. During her time there, she has served in a variety of roles, including technologist, supervisor, and manager, with a focus on nuclear cardiology. Within the field, she has contributed as a leader in multiple capacities, serving on the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board, on the board of directors for the Intersocietal Commission of Accredited Nuclear Laboratories, and in several roles within the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology. She has published 20 journal articles, authored 4 books, and given more than 150 presentations on nuclear medicine and molecular imaging.