

IAEA and SNMMI Cooperative Agreement

SNMMI and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) have established arrangements to cooperate on extending the reach of educational materials for nuclear medicine diagnostic and therapeutic applications. The agreement was signed on October 23 at the 30th Annual Congress of the European Association of Nuclear Medicine in Vienna, Austria. The agreement builds on a partnership between the 2 organizations to make more educational programs available worldwide, particularly in the field of molecular imaging. It also addresses the future development of materials for the IAEA Human Health Campus, a free online resource visited monthly by more than 5,000 health professionals. “We are witnessing a growing demand for nuclear medicine services to manage an increasing number of patients suffering from noncommunicable diseases, such as cancer,” said Diana Paez, MD, MEd, head of the IAEA Nuclear Medicine and Diagnostic Imaging Section. “Cooperation with professional and scientific societies such as SNMMI is essential to maximize the support the agency can provide to its Member States.”

In addition to developing interactive educational materials for the nuclear medicine component of the IAEA Human Health Campus, SNMMI will work with IAEA to:

- Provide nuclear medicine professionals (or those in allied disciplines) from IAEA low- and middle-income member states with access to specific educational programs;
- Provide experts to support IAEA training activities;
- Include IAEA professionals in SNMMI training activities; and
- Facilitate the broadcasting of live web-streaming seminars on topics in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging.

“We look forward to working with the IAEA to advance nuclear medicine’s diagnostic and therapeutic applications through training and educational materials,” said SNMMI President Bennett S. Greenspan, MD, MS. “Broadening access to information will strengthen the knowledge of professionals and enhance patient care.”

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At the agreement signing (from left): Thomas Pascual, MD, MHPed (IAEA); Satoshi Minoshima, MD, PhD (SNMMI); Diana Paez, MD, MEd (IAEA); May Abdel-Wahab, MD, PhD (IAEA); Meera Venkatesh, PhD (IAEA); Bennett Greenspan, MD, MS (SNMMI); Virginia Pappas, CAE (SNMMI); Enrique Estrada-Lobato, MD (IAEA); and Rodolfo Nuñez-Miller, MD (IAEA). (Photo: O. Morozova/IAEA).