

New SNMMI Fellows Honored

At its 2018 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, SNMMI recognized 14 new SNMMI Fellows during a special plenary session on June 26. The SNMMI Fellowship was established in 2016 to recognize distinguished service to the society as well as exceptional achievement in the field of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. It is one of the most prestigious formal recognitions available to long-time SNMMI members.

All past SNMMI presidents were granted fellowship at the 2016 Annual Meeting. This year SNMMI's 2017–2018 president, Bennett S. Greenspan, MD, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta University, was inducted. Other new fellows include Salvador Borges-Neto, MD, Duke University Medical Center (Durham, NC); A. Bertrand Brill, MD, PhD, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine (Nashville, TN); William C. Eckelman, PhD (Bethesda, MD); Georges El Fakhri, PhD, Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School (Boston, MA); Leonie L. Gordon, MD, Medical University of

South Carolina (Charleston); Ora Israel, MD, Rambam Health Care Campus (Haifa, Israel); Jeffrey Norenberg, PharmD, PhD, University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center (Albuquerque, NM); Barry A. Siegel, MD, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, Washington University at St. Louis (MO); Rathan Subramaniam, MD, PhD, MPH, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (Dallas, TX); Julie Sutcliffe, PhD, University of California, Davis; S. Ted Treves, MD, Boston Children's Hospital (MA); Henry VanBrocklin, PhD, University of California, San Francisco; and Harvey Ziesman, MD, Johns Hopkins Medicine (Baltimore, MD).

Selection of SNMMI fellows is based on documented excellence in volunteer service to the society and at least 1 of 3 additional areas: excellence in scientific discovery and innovation, educational efforts in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging, or clinical practice of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. SNMMI fellows may use the honorific FSNMMI designation in their titles.



Satoshi Minoshima, MD, PhD, SNMMI president, inducted 14 new fellows at the 2018 Annual Meeting. Not pictured: Salvador Borges-Neto, MD.

NEWS BRIEFS

PET/CT in LVV and PMR: Joint Recommendations

In April, members of the Cardiovascular and Inflammation & Infection Committees of the European Association of Nuclear Medicine, the Cardiovascular Council of the SNMMI, and the PET Interest Group released a joint procedural recommendation on ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT angiographic imaging in large-vessel vasculitis (LVV) and polymyalgia rheumatica (PMR). The recommendations were endorsed by the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology. The recommendations, based

on a best-available-evidence survey of the literature and resulting expert consensus, cover patient preparation, ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT angiography acquisition and interpretation, and imaging follow-up in patients with suspected or diagnosed LVV and/or PMR. The task group pointed to the need for an internationally accepted standard for ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT imaging and reporting in LVV and PMR. The group concluded that:

- ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT angiography has an important role in the diagnosis of extracranial vascular involve-

ment in patients with LVV/PMR; however, additional randomized studies are needed.

- Improvements in ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT angiography procedures will help to optimize the diagnostic and monitoring value of this technique in LVV/PMR.
- Although visual qualitative methods are most often used, semi-quantitative methods, such as the vascular/blood ratio and vascular/liver ratio using SUVs, are increasingly being applied.