

JNM Immediacy Index Increases by 25%

The *Journal of Nuclear Medicine (JNM)*—the flagship publication of SNMMI—has again been ranked among the top medical imaging journals worldwide, according to new data released in late June in the publication *2018 Journal Citation Reports* (Clarivate Analytics). The *Journal Citation Report* publishes an immediacy index as an indicator of the speed with which citations to a specific journal appear in published literature. The 2018 immediacy index for *JNM* is 3.094, a 25% increase over last year and almost double the index of the previous year.

JNM's 2018 impact factor is 7.354, with a 5-year impact factor of 6.738. The journal's citations increased from 27,101 to 27,551, and its article influence score increased from 1.852 to 1.876. *JNM* ranks fifth among the 129 journals included in the medical imaging category—the highest rank among all nuclear medicine journals, with the *European Journal of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging* close behind.

“The dramatic increase in *JNM*'s immediacy index over the past 2 years demonstrates the journal's influential role in molecular imaging, and we are honored that it is the journal of choice for many distinguished researchers,” said editor-in-chief Johannes Czernin, MD. “Among nuclear medicine journals, *JNM* continues to have the highest number of citations, the highest average 5-year impact factor, the highest number of citable articles, and the highest influence score.”

The Institute for Scientific Information (ISI), now based in Clarivate Analytics' Scientific and Academic Research Group, measures a journal's impact (or significance) based on the number of article citations compared to the total number of articles published in the previous 2 years. The impact factor—a quantitative measure of the frequency with which an article in a journal is cited—is used to gauge the overall influence of a journal within scientific, professional, and academic communities.

SNMMI New Fellows Honored

At its 2019 Annual Meeting in Anaheim, CA, SNMMI recognized 13 new SNMMI Fellows during a special plenary session on June 24. 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 among the most prestigious formal recognitions available to long-time SNMMI members.

Satoshi Minoshima, MD, PhD (University of Utah, Salt Lake City) the 2018–2019 SNMMI president, joined the new fellowship ranks. Also recognized were: Carolyn J. Anderson, PhD (University of Pittsburgh Medical Center,

PA); Morton D. Blafox, MD, PhD (Rye, NY); Salvador Borges-Neto, MD (Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC); Weibo Cai, PhD (University of Wisconsin–Madison); Simindokht Dadparvar, MD (Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA); Jay A. Harolds, MD (Advanced Radiology Services, PC, Grand Rapids, MI); Jason S. Lewis, PhD (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY); Mark T. Madsen, PhD (University of Iowa, Iowa City); Umar Mahmood, MD, PhD (Massachusetts General Hospital, Charleston); Yasuhito Sasaki, MD, PhD (Shonan Kamakura General Hospital, Japan); Jack J. Slosky, PhD, MBA (currently JJS Consulting, retired from Lantheus Medical



Left to right: SNMMI President Satoshi Minoshima, MD, PhD; Vasken Dilsizian, MD, incoming SNMMI president; and Alan Packard, PhD, SNMMI president-elect; with new SNMMI fellows: Mark Tulchinsky, MD, Jack J. Slosky, PhD, MBA, Yasuhito Sasaki, MD, Umar Mahmood, MD, PhD, Mark T. Madsen, PhD, Jason S. Lewis, PhD, Jay Harolds, MD, Simindokht Dadparvar, MD, Wiebo Cai, PhD, Carolyn Anderson, PhD, and Salvador Borges-Neto, MD.

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