



High Country Nuclear Medicine Conference

VIRTUAL MEETING
March 6-7, 2021

Saturday, March 6, 2021

All session times are in Eastern Time

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

COVID-19 What Have We Learned and Where Do We Go from Here?

Session Organizers: Denise A. Merlino, CNMT, CPC, MBA, & Robert C. Hendel, MD

Scheduled Topics:

10:00 AM – 10:10 AM

Overview of Covid19: Background and Epidemiology

Speaker: Robert C. Hendel, MD, Tulane University School of Medicine (Confirmed)

10:10 AM – 10:40 AM

Organ-specific Involvement and the Value of Imaging

Speakers: Joshua Lee Denison, MD, MS & Robert C. Hendel, MD, Tulane University School of Medicine (Confirmed)

10:40 AM – 11:00 AM

Impact on the Imaging Laboratory

Speaker: Hicham Skali Lami, MD, MSc, Brigham and Womens's Hospital (Confirmed)

11:00 AM – 11:20 AM

2021 E/M Changes, Coding & Billing Changes - Options During & Post Pandemic

Speaker: Denise Merlino, CNMT, CPC, MBA, Merlino Healthcare Consulting Corp. (Confirmed)

11:20 AM – 11:30 AM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

11:30 AM– 1:00 PM

Quantitative Clinical Nuclear Cardiology

Session Organizer: Piotr Slomka, PhD Moderator: Daniel S. Berman, MD

Scheduled Topics

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Quantitative Clinical Nuclear Cardiology: Established Applications

Speaker: Ernest V. Garcia, PhD, Emory University (Confirmed)

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

Quantitative Clinical Nuclear Cardiology: Evolving/Emerging Applications

Speaker: Piotr Slomka, PhD, Cedar-Sinai Medical Center (Confirmed)

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

BREAK

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Amyloid PET in Treatment Monitoring

Session Organizer: Val Lowe, MD

Scheduled Topics

1:30 PM – 1:50 PM

AD Treatment Approval/Status

Speaker: Ryan A. Townley, MD, University of Kansas Alzheimer's Disease Center (Confirmed)

1:50 PM – 2:10 PM

Amyloid PET Treatment-response Assessment: Clinical Trial Findings and How to Implement in Nuclear Medicine Practice

Speaker: Val Lowe, MD, Mayo Clinic (Confirmed)

2:10 PM – 2:30 PM

Neurology Practice Therapy Monitoring Implementation

Speaker: Vijay K. Ramanan, MD, PhD, Mayo Clinic (Confirmed)

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Oncologic Session

Session Organizer: Michael Graham, MD, PhD

Scheduled Topics

3:00 PM – 3:25 PM

SNMMI Clinical Trials Network is developing a Reader Training Program for the newly approved Cu-64 Dotatate

Speaker: Eric Mittra, Oregon Health & Science University (Confirmed)

3:25 PM – 3:50 PM

Flor Estrogens

Speaker: David Mankoff, MD, PhD, University of Pennsylvania (Confirmed)

3:50 PM – 4:15 PM

Status of PSMA Imaging in the US

Speaker: Thomas Hope, MD, University of California, San Francisco (Confirmed)

4:15 PM – 4:30 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Instrumentation Session

Session Organizer: Ed Lyons, RT, CNMT, CPC, MBA, E. Lawrence James Consulting, LLC

Scheduled Topics

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

State of the Art PET

Speaker: Axel Rominger, MD, University Hospital, Bern, Switzerland (Confirmed)

5:00 PM – 5:30 PM

New Developments SPECT

Speaker: Andrei Iagaru, MD, Stanford University (Confirmed)

Sunday, March 7, 2021

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10:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Hal O'Brien In Memoriam & 2020 Rising Star Awardees

Session Organizers: Ernie Garcia, PhD, Emory University & Ed Lyons, RT, CNMT, CPC, MBA, E. Lawrence James Consulting, LLC

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Policy and Regulatory Updates

Session Organizer: Ira Goldman, MA, Lantheus Holdings

Scheduled Topics:

10:30 AM – 10:50 AM

Health Policy Developments - Biden Administration

Speakers: Ira Goldman, MA, Lantheus Holdings (Confirmed)

10:50 AM – 11:10 AM

FDA Policy Update

Speakers: Libero Marzella, MD, PhD, FDA (Confirmed)

11:10 AM – 11:30 AM

Revision of AUC on Amyloid

Speaker: Kevin Donohoe, MD, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (Confirmed)

11:30 AM – 11:50 AM

CMS/Coverage

Speaker: Denise Merlino, CNMT, CPC, MBA, Merlino Healthcare Consulting Corp. (Confirmed)

11:50 AM – 12:00 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

12:00 PM– 1:30 PM

New Developments at the NeuroPET/Regulatory/Payment Interfaces

Session Organizer: Dan Silverman, MD, PhD, UCLA

Scheduled Topics

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

Evolving Clinical Roles of Brain PET Imaging: a Leading Psychiatrist's Perspective

Speaker: Gary W. Small, MD, UCLA

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

Balancing Progress of Clinical PET for Cognitive Dysfunction with Reimbursement Realities: a Nuclear Medicine Physician's Perspective

Speaker: Daniel H. Silverman, MD, PhD, UCLA

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

1:30 PM – 2:00 PM

BREAK

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Oncologic Session

Session Organizer: Michael Graham, MD, PhD, University of Iowa

Scheduled Topics

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Potential Application of FAPI Imaging and Therapy

Speaker: Frederik Giesel, MD, UniversitätKlinikum Heidelberg (Confirmed)

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

New Approaches for Infection Imaging

Speaker: Robert Flavell, MD, PhD, University of California, San Francisco (Confirmed)

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Instrumentation

Session Organizer: Alexander Hans Vija, PhD, Siemens Healthineers

Scheduled Topics

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Quantitative SPECT/Dosimetry

Speaker: Guido Böning, Dipl.-Phys Dr. rer nat. Priv.-Doz., Hospital of the Ludwig-Maximilians-University, LMU, Munich (Confirmed)

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Siemens Approach to Ultra Long Axial Field-of-View PET

Speaker: Bernard Bendriem, PhD, Siemens Healthineers (Confirmed)

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Industry Highlight Session

Session Organizer: Ed Lyons, RT, CNMT, CPC, MBA, E. Lawrence James Consulting, LLC

This session will allow select sponsors to give a 20-minute presentation to attendees.

Scheduled Companies

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Jubilant Radiopharma

MBF with Rb-82: Evaluation with Bolus versus Square Wave Infusion Profiles

Speaker: Jennifer Renaud, M.Sc., B. Eng. INVIA Medical Imaging Solutions

5:00 PM – 5:30 PM

NorthStar Medical Radioisotopes

NorthStar Diagnostic and Therapeutic Radioisotope Programs

Speaker: James T. Harvey, PhD, NorthStar Medical Radioisotopes, LLC