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In the Coming Years…
The Education and Research Foundation (ERF) will be undertaking a new major-gifts initiative that will position the organization as the pre-eminent funding source for the recruitment and education of newcomers to our field and for enabling young investigators to launch a productive research career.
President’s Message

My role as President of the Education and Research Foundation for SNM officially began in 2011, but like many of you, my commitment to the organization and to the field’s researchers and technologists began decades ago. And so while the Foundation and its goals and objectives were not new to me, it was an exciting new beginning for me as I watched the Foundation begin a new stage.

The Foundation has come a long way since its modest beginning selling cookbooks at SNM’s Annual Meetings. Over the years, we have grown to become the field’s pre-eminent funding source thanks to the vision of early founders, donors and leaders. Their sage advice and wise counsel established the early building blocks of what has now become a $9 million foundation. For that, we are deeply grateful. 2011 proved to be another exceptional year for our Foundation.

2011 began with people across the nation sharing what they need, giving us their advice, and sharing their hopes for the future of Nuclear Medicine/Molecular Imaging in what we call Community Leadership Briefings. The result of our listening sessions with donors and leaders in the field inspired and informed the development of the ERF’s next 5-year strategic plan.

We have embarked on a plan to secure our legacy by elevating fundraising to a new level of excellence. Our vision is to shape the future of our field by investing in education and research for the next generation. This vision will guide the actions, decisions and strategies for the Foundation across the NM/MI community to do more, and to do it now. Each of us is committed to do whatever it takes, regardless of the economy or other factors that we can’t control. Here are our thoughts:

• We will provide greater access to education through grants, awards and scholarships for our physicians, scientists and technologists.
• We will invest in cutting edge research; particularly research in its infancy or that is truly translational.
• We will bridge the gap between new concepts and large grants by providing pilot research funds. These funds can later be leveraged to secure even larger grants such as those provided by the NIH.

The Foundation seeks to fund three classes of recipients: (1) trainees and young investigators, (2) senior investigators who are redirecting their research toward molecular imaging, and (3) technologists who seek advanced training and professional development.

We’ve identified our plan, and each of us is in the driver’s seat. Let’s move together, faster than ever before, to achieve our goals and ultimately achieve our goal of providing $1,000,000 each year to grants, awards and scholarships in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging.

Would you like to learn more about how to host or attend a Leadership Briefing in your area? Call or email Theresa Pinkham at 402.507.5125 or tpinkham.erf@gmail.com.

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The Case for the Future of Nuclear Medicine, Molecular Imaging and Therapy

Today’s funding for education and research in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging is at a crossroads where the decline in federal and private funding is severely impacting the discipline. As talented physicians, researchers and technologists move away from our specialty for other, better-funded fields, our influence diminishes. We therefore must address a number of critical questions:

- How can we direct education and research funding to stimulate research that clearly places our specialty at the forefront of the cutting edge discoveries, and garners respect for our discipline?
- How do we fund education that provides the discipline a sufficient pool of physicians, scientists and technologists for the future, particularly in the face of the current trend toward the “graying” of the field?
- How can we increase funding to the Foundation to maximize its impact on education and research in NM and MI?
- What is the most effective way to direct donor funding to maximize the return on donor investment?

The Facts are on the Table

The pipeline of education and research funding faces a troubling future. Recent cuts in federal funding for research and training (e.g., by NIH, DOE) threaten to destabilize U.S. leadership in nuclear medicine and negatively impact our ability to recruit and retain the best talent. Limited funding for education and research potentially compromises the future of our field.

The Challenge We Face is Clear

The lack of available funding is making it difficult to attract and retain specialized personnel to academic research institutions where a significant amount of novel developmental work takes place. Therefore, academia must be viewed as a more viable career path for the specialty’s best and brightest ensuring that future generations learn from and are inspired by those most experienced in the skills and knowledge that sets NM/MI apart!

The use of nuclear medicine and related molecular imaging techniques for both diagnostic and therapeutic applications is central to the goal of personalized medicine. It is recognized that academic research is key to the sound footing and establishment of any discipline. Nuclear medicine is currently in danger of losing ground to other imaging and therapeutic modalities unless we all decide to address the situation immediately.

The ERF has the Structure and Experience

The Foundation currently has more than $9 million in invested funds and has a successful track record in funding pilot research programs that support NM and MI. Established in 1969 as a 501 (c)(3), the ERF has provided millions of dollars in the form of scholarships, awards and grants, all supporting the educational and research components of its mission. In fact, the ERF is the largest philanthropic source of support for such programs.
The ERF is establishing a strong brand identity that attracts funding from both corporate and individual donors, leading to the organization’s significant growth. Whether the donor is an individual who wishes to create a legacy for future generations or a corporation seeking to advance the field, current and potential donors view the ERF as a responsible partner in realizing their goals. The Foundation actively seeks projects that will support its mission, and works in partnership with its recipients to develop programs and awards of benefit to the NM and MI community and the public it serves. Foundation awards have played a critical role in attracting and retaining young physicians, scientists and technologists. Oftentimes, luminaries in our field identify ERF funding as the impetus for their research career.

**Metrics of Success**

Over the past six years, the ERF has funded over $2 million in SNM grants, awards, scholarships and continuing education initiatives to young physicians, scientists, and technologists.

- Approximately 200 individuals have attended SNM Annual Meetings in order to present their work through the travel assistance received through the ERF-funded SNM/SNMTS Travel & Student Travel Awards.

- Contributors to the field have been publicly recognized at the SNM Annual Meetings by a variety of ERF funded awards, such as the Mark Tetalman Award, the Berson-Yalow Award, the Cassen and Anger Lectureships and Prizes, and the SNMTS Outstanding Technologist and Educator Awards.

- Over 150 nuclear medicine technologist students, demonstrating academic excellence and financial need, have received assistance through the ERF-funded Paul Cole Scholarship Fund.

- Nearly 20 technologists have either enrolled in, or completed high-level continuing education through SNMTS’ Bachelors Degree Completion, Advanced Practitioner and Clinical Advancement Scholarships, all of which are supported by the ERF.
SNM Student Fellowship Awards supported by the ERF have given many students in medical school the opportunity to incorporate NM and MI research into their curriculum and have paved the way for many to enter residency programs in NM and MI.

Recipients of ERF Pilot Research Grants have leveraged their research results to obtain funding from organizations such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Cancer Institute (NCI).

SNM molecular imaging-focused awards, funded by ERF and introduced in 2008 (Molecular Imaging Research Grant for Junior Medical Faculty, Postdoctoral & Pre-doctoral Molecular Imaging Scholar Programs), have positively impacted the transition of fellows towards further career advancement. One recipient stated this is “the highest academic recognition [that I have] ever earned”.

The High Cost of Inaction
The reality facing our field is that innovation has been curtailed. Promising diagnostic and therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals that might fuel the revolution in personalized medicine are NOT being brought to the clinic, and alternative, less optimal technologies are not being replaced. An additional negative impact of this failure to bring promising diagnostic and therapeutic radiopharmaceutical technologies into clinical practice is that those who have elected to train in our field – (physicians, technologists, pharmacists and scientists) are finding fewer job opportunities.

Scholarship funds that help support training are critical in attracting students to the field and pilot grants that enable scientists and physician-scientists to compete for larger sources of external funding are essential for introducing new imaging and therapy tools. In an era of tightening budgets, having the potential to secure a travel grant to the SNM Annual Meeting to get the most up-to-date information on developments in the field makes a tremendous difference in the lives of students and technologists. All of these opportunities are available today as a result of the donations made by the benefactors of the Education and Research Foundation for the Society of Nuclear Medicine. Without that generosity, new recruits to the field may not find it attractive, or may not be able to pursue their newly acquired enthusiasm for the development and application of the best care with innovative technology to the patients we serve.

Funding the Future of the Field
The ERF has launched an aggressive campaign to provide $1 million per year to attract and retain the best and brightest researchers, physicians and technologists by providing them access to education and early career research funding. Our mission is to increase and manage our endowment to remain a pre-eminent funding source for education and the stimulation of research in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging.

This Is the Time for Bold Action
Our specialty has a narrow window of opportunity, perhaps a decade, in which to attract a talent pool that can deliver the next group of great discoveries in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. Our past efforts have laid the groundwork to meet the upcoming challenges. The Foundation will now focus our resources — our endowment, our expert stewardship, and the voices and generosity of our donors — to make an immediate and lasting impact. Important steps forward have been made, but continued and increased support is urgently needed. The future will not wait. What happens to our discipline tomorrow is in our hands today.
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Reference Ranges for LVEF and LV Volumes from Electrocardiographically Gated \(^{82}\text{Rb Cardiac PET/CT Using Commercially Available Software}\)

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Renal Toxicity of Radiolabeled Peptides and Antibody Fragments: Mechanisms, Impact on Radionuclide Therapy, and Strategies for Prevention

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Antitumor Effects and Normal Tissue Toxicity of $^{111}$In-Nuclear Localization Sequence-Trastuzumab in Athymic Mice Bearing HER-Positive Human Breast Cancer Xenografts

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The Paul Cole Scholarship is named in memory of Paul Cole, CNMT, who served as President of the SNM Technologist Section (SNMTS) in 1986 and who was known as a champion of education for technologists.

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Genet Wasihun- Ferris State University
Uchenna Iwuaba- University of Alabama at Birmingham
Arafat Alim- Virginia Commonwealth University
Ngan Nguyen- Medical College of Georgia (Georgia Health Sciences University)
Ali Aden- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
Chris Chauvin- William Beaumont Hospital (Partnered with Oakland University)
Kasi Danker- University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
Rachel Dzimiera- Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Miranda Finch- The University of Findlay
Laura Hanson- The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
Stacy Kadrich- Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital
Amanda Strauss- The Nuclear Medicine Institute at the University of Findlay
Matthew Ugorowski- William Beaumont Hospital
Leah Walters- The Mayo Clinic (with Mayo School of Health Sciences)
Amy Warren- The Mayo Clinic (with Mayo School of Health Sciences)

**Associate Degree Program**

Timothy Beuth- Springfield Technical Community College
Megan Johnston- Keiser University
Stephanie Rizzo- The University of Findlay Nuclear Medicine Institute

**Certificate Program**

Sarah Cox- Bellevue College
2011 Mark Tetalman, MD Memorial Award

The Mark Tetalman Memorial Award of $5,000 is given every other year. The 2011 Tetalman Award will be awarded during a plenary session at the 2012 Annual Meeting. Currently a determination has not yet been made for 2011 and is under review.

2011 Molecular Imaging Research Grant for Junior Medical Faculty ($50,000)

Sunhee Kim M.D.
Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC

2011 Postdoctoral Molecular Imaging Scholar Program ($30,000 each year for 2 years)

Daniel Thorek; Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

2011 Mitzi & William Blahd, MD Pilot Research Grant ($25,000)

Jean-Mathieu Beauregard M.D., M.Sc., FRCPC
Department of Radiology Faculty of Medicine, Laval University

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- Kofi Deh; Weill Cornell Medical College
- Abhinav Jha; College of Optical Sciences, University of Arizona
- Natale Quartuccio; Universitary Hospital Policlinico

2011 Council Young Investigator Awards ($7,000 total)

Cardiovascular Basic Science Council ($1,000 divided)

1st Place – Paco Bravo – ($500) "Translational imaging of the myocardial angiotensin II type 1 receptor using C-11 KR31173 PET: From animal model to human application"

2nd Place – Dong-Yeon Kim – ($300) "The performance of phase analysis in the presence of perfusion defects."

3rd Place – Tetsuya Hara – ($200) "Molecular imaging of deep vein thrombosis using a new fibrin-targeted near-infrared fluorescence (NIRF) imaging strategy"

Cardiovascular Clinical Science Council ($1,000 divided)

1st Place – Venkatesh Murthy – ($500) "Incremental risk stratification with quantitative coronary vasodilator function assessment by PET in patients with known or suspected CAD"

2nd Place – Stefan Timmer – ($300) "Impaired myocardial energetics precede coronary microvascular dysfunction and ventricular hypertrophy in carriers of the hypertrophic cardiomyopathy MYBPC3 mutation"

3rd Place – Irahim Danad – ($200) "Quantitative relationship between coronary artery calcium score and hyperemic myocardial blood flow as assessed by hybrid [15O]H2O PET/CT imaging in patients evaluated for coronary artery disease"

Nuclear Oncology Council ($1,000 divided)

1st Place - Clemens, Kratochwil ($500) - "Regional 213Bi-DOTATOC peptide receptor alpha-therapy in
2nd Place - Andrei Iagaru – ($300) "Combined 18F NaF and 18F FDG PET/CT: Initial results of a multi-center trial"

3rd Place - Guido Davidzon – ($200) "Comparison of four different imaging response criteria in patients with Hodgkin and non-Hodgkin lymphoma using PET/CT"

Brain Imaging Council ($1,500)
1st Place – Rowe, Chris ($1,000)
2nd Place – Foster, S ($500)

Computer and Instrumentation Council ($1,000 divided)
1st Place – Maramraju, S ($600)
2nd Place – Tong, Shan ($400)

Pediatric Imaging Council ($500)
1st Place – Liu, Y ($500)

Radiopharmaceutical Council ($1,000)
1st Place – Ruth, T ($1,000)

2011 SNM Travel Awards

The SNM Travel Awards in 2011 were designed to support the attendance of students and postdoctoral or clinical trainees who presented molecular imaging abstracts at the SNM Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas in June.

Twenty-three $1,000 awardees were selected. Selection of recipients will was based upon the abstract ranking, number of abstracts accepted, method of presentation (oral presentations are preferred), as well as the membership status of the applicant & recommender (active membership status is preferred).

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Ehab Al-Momani, Albert Chang, Tingting Chang, David Chien, In Kook Chun, Chia-Ju Hsieh, Hyung-Jun Im, Joong Hyun Kim, Sun Il Kwon, Hyo Sang Lee, Hongguang (Simon) Liu, Noeen Malik, Sri Harsha Maramraju, Venkatesh Murthy, Ryo Nakazato, Prashanth Padakanti, Bosky Ravindranath, Christoph Rischpler, Kuangyu Shi, R. Adam Smith, Kiran Kumar Solingapuram Sai, Andri Tziortzi, Yunan Yang
2011 SNMTS Travel and Student Travel Awards

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Teresa Buckley- University of Arkansas
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2011 SNMTS Bachelor's Degree Completion Scholarships

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2011 SNMTS Advanced Practitioner Program Scholarships

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2011 SNMTS Outstanding Educator ($750)

Anthony W. Knight, MBA, CNMT, RT(N), NCT

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## Statement of Financial Position
### September 30, 2011 and 2010

### Assets

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“Indeed, funding from the ERF was very important in my early career. It was among the very first independent funding I received, and allowed me to start the high-resolution detector development work in my laboratory that ultimately led to the creation of the microPET scanners for small-animal imaging, and indirectly to the first preclinical PET/MRI systems. It is vital for junior investigators to have access to seed funding for their new ideas, to allow them to generate the preliminary data necessary to successfully compete for large-scale NIH grants. The ERF therefore plays a critical role in supporting the development of young scientists in our field, and I remain very grateful for their support early in my career.”

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