

# MI Activities at SNM Annual Meeting

**T**his is a big month for molecular imaging. Mailing with this issue of *JNM* is a supplement dedicated to noninvasive imaging of cell-mediated therapy for the treatment of cancer. Edited by Sanjiv Sam Gambhir, MD, PhD, director of the Molecular Imaging Program at Stanford University (CA), this extensive publication examines radioisotope-based and non-radioisotope-based molecular imaging technologies.

Also, in this issue of Newline you will find the complete proceedings of our second industry/expert summit, held in February following the SNM Mid-Winter Educational Symposium. Specific details on how SNM plans to address recommendations developed at the summit will be outlined during the coming months.

One of the recommendations that came out of the summit was to hold a hybrid/multimodality molecular imaging summit February 9–10 following the SNM 2009 Mid-Winter Educational Symposium in Clearwater, FL.

Molecular imaging is a recurring theme in all the educational tracks at the 2008 SNM Annual Meeting starting Saturday, June 14, in New Orleans, and the Molecular

Imaging Center of Excellence (MICoE) is sponsoring a number of activities devoted exclusively to non-radioisotope-based and multimodality imaging. On Saturday we are sponsoring an all-day categorical course on molecular imaging. Three scientific paper sessions (oncology; optical and bioluminescent imaging; and PET/MR, MR, and ultrasound imaging) are scheduled for Sunday and Monday, along with a scientific review session on Sunday afternoon and a continuing education (CE) session on Wednesday morning covering contrast agent toxicity. The MICoE business meeting will be held Monday during the break between scientific paper sessions. All members are welcome to join us for lunch and presentation of our new molecular imaging awards. Individuals who want to join the MICoE may sign up for a complimentary membership at the business meeting.



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We are also pleased to be joining forces on Tuesday, June 17, with the American Society for Clinical Oncology (ASCO) to present the CE session, “Optimizing Clinical Trials and Clinical Practice,” hosted by Alexander McEwan, MD, president of SNM, and Richard Schilsky, MD, president of ASCO. Details about these and other activities can be found online using the interactive meeting planner ([www.snm.org/meetingplanner](http://www.snm.org/meetingplanner)), keywords “molecular imaging.”

We hope you will join us for some of these activities—and be sure to drop by the poster hall to check out the MI Gateway exhibits. The MI trade meet-the-author session is Monday afternoon. A Gateway/Poster Session Mixer will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 PM on Sunday night, cosponsored by MICoE and the SNM Radiopharmaceutical Sciences Council.

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