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# Calendar

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## June

1987

**2-5: The Society of Nuclear Medicine 34th Annual Meeting**, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Five premeeting seminars for nuclear medicine practitioners, referring physicians, and senior technologists; 600 scientific papers; posters and exhibits; 21 hour-and-a-half continuing education courses; four-day mini SPECT symposium; four-day technologist education program; commercial exhibits. 34 hr Category I credit. Fees: \$120 SNM members; \$215 nonmembers. *Contact:* The Society of Nuclear Medicine, Education and Meetings Department, 136 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016-6760 (212)889-0717.

**19-20: Magnetic Resonance Imaging for Technologists**. Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX. Sponsored by the Department of Radiology and The Methodist Hospital. Nonmathematical course on the principles of MRI, including nuclear magnetism, relaxation times, and how pulse sequence selection alters image appearance. 18 hours of Category I credit available. *Contact:* Stewart C. Bushong, Sc.D., Professor of Radiologic Science, Department of Radiology, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX 77030. Tel.: (713)799-4416.

## July

**18-12: Interoperative Radiation: A New Combined Treatment Approach to Cancer**, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, KS. Category I, AAFP, and CNE credit. *Contact:* Eileen Buttron, University of Kansas Medical Center, Office of Continuing Education, 39th and Rainbow Blvd., Kansas City, KS 66103 (913)588-4480.

## September

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**21-22: 12th Annual Nuclear Cardiology Symposium**. Red Carpet Hotel, Milwaukee, WI. Sponsored by the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine, Department of Continuing Medical Education. Topics to be presented include techniques in nuclear cardiology for physicians and technologists who either provide cardiovascular imaging services or make use of the information derived from such procedures in patient management. 30 hours Category I credit available. *Contact:* Sara Z. Aslakson, Continuing Medical Education, 465B WARF Bldg., 610 Walnut St., Madison, WI 53705. Tel.: (608)263-2856.

## October

**10-11: SNM Central Chapter, Fall Meeting, ECT in Clinical Practice and Other Related Imaging Modalities**, Cleveland Marriott East, Cleveland, OH. AMA Category I and VOICE credit available. Fees: \$75.00-\$110.00; reduced rates for technologists and trainees. *Contact:* Central Chapter, SNM, Inc., 2321 Fourth Street, Suite 111, Tucker, GA 30084 (404)493-4524.

## November

**16-21: 10th Congress, Latin American Association of Societies of Nuclear Biology and Medicine**. Mexico City, Mexico. Topics to be presented include quality assurance in nuclear medicine; technologist program, symposia, scientific papers and posters. 30 hours Category I credit available. *Contact:* Estrella Avila, MD, Secretary, Apdo. Postal 101-56, Mexico 04530, Mexico. Tel.: 573-03-00, ext. 236.

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Mr. Marshall. "They feel they get useful information on kidney function from them."

According to Mr. Marshall, Swedish technologists do the same procedures as their US counterparts, including injecting patients, but they are radiology technologists who rotate through the nuclear medicine department. And except for one physician with a special interest in nuclear medicine, the doctors at St. Goran's were radiologists. Also, in the Swedish hospital, one person had the responsibilities that both the radiation safety officer and the systems analyst have in the US.

As of yet, no Swedish technologists have come to Boston, but a physician and a systems analyst from St. Goran's are there now. "They're in the process of setting up gated studies with thallium at their hospital and they wanted to see our equipment, which is very much like what they have," said Ms. Jansons. She said that a simultaneous swap of technologists is planned for the future.

Although the exchanges have gone fairly smoothly, one problem has been finding affordable housing for the technologists coming to Beth Israel. The US technologists found accommodations easily—those who went to Australia rented rooms in a nursing dormitory, and Mr. Marshall stayed in the home of a relative of the physician he worked for.

Having been to Australia and Sweden, the Beth Israel technologists are enthusiastic about planning exchanges in other countries. "There's a hospital in Haifa, Israel, that we trade physicians with fairly often. I would like to send techs there, too," said Ms. Jansons. She has also written to chief technologists at hospitals in Amsterdam, London, and Tokyo. "In non-English-speaking countries we may have to observe more than participate," she said, but the experience would still be valuable.

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