

**JNM Update**

In January of 2012, it was a great honor for me to become Editor-in-Chief of *The Journal of Nuclear Medicine*, which is the educational flagship of the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging. Its main mission is to disseminate scientific information to all members of the Society and the medical community at large in a concerted effort to advance the field of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. *JNM* was ranked the top nuclear medicine journal worldwide, according to data released in the 2012 Journal Citation Reports© published by Thomson Reuters. *JNM* -- a peer-reviewed, monthly publication -- earned an impact factor of 5.774.

In 2013, *JNM* manuscript submissions from around the world continued at the previous year’s rate of approximately 1,200. The acceptance rate was stable at 28% and the turnaround time from submission to acceptance continued to be approximately 12 weeks, as targeted. Last year, *JNM* published a total of 292 articles, including 254 original research articles (133 clinical and 121 basic science), 8 brief communications, 10 CE/SAM articles, 10 Focus on Molecular Imaging articles, and 9 special contributions (4 of which were practice guidelines). Forty-six percent of the original research articles published were from Europe, 39% from North America, 12% from Asia, 2% from Australia, and 1% from Africa. The topics of these articles were dominated by oncology, followed by neurology, new radiopharmaceuticals, physics and instrumentation, cardiology, radionuclide therapy, and general nuclear medicine.

As always, input from our readers is very important. Therefore, in addition to completing periodic surveys about *JNM*, you are always welcome to provide feedback via e-mail (jnm@vanderbilt.edu).

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