

Technical corner initiative announcement

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BACKGROUND

Being recognized as the voice of nuclear cardiology the JNC is seeking to promote technical contributions that are usually companions to clinical investigations published or accepted for publication. These technical contributions should include enough details so technical staffs at other institutions can duplicate the protocols and technical activities proposed in the clinical report.

OBJECTIVES

To initiate a section called the technical corner in the JNC to highlight contributions from technologists and the technical nuclear cardiology community in general. This initiative should promote more technologists involvement in the dissemination of technical information and better technical information available to continue the standardization of our rapidly changing field. The technical corner has a section editor and 5 members, 4 with expertise as nuclear technologists and one exercise physiologist. The journal has already established a new category for the articles referred to TC or technical corner. The Technical Corner (TC) will have 2 types of manuscripts: solicited technical notes and technical commentaries.

SOLICITED TECHNICAL NOTES

TC committee members will directly solicit the corresponding author of a manuscript accepted or published in the JNC (or other Journal) to write a companion paper but limiting it to how imaging was

done and provide additional examples of images. In the companion paper a technologist must either be a co-author or first author and the paper should be written from the perspectives of the technologists.

The technical note should be short in length (3 pages) and have no more than 3 references. However, when appropriate the section editor could allow for full length manuscripts for editor approved topics.

COMMENTARIES

The TC Committee members will scan few journals (JNC, JNM, JACC Imaging and Circ Imaging) for nuclear cardiology articles (SPECT/PET) for 2 months period (plus other peer review journals of their choice) to select the pertinent articles. The members would then write a short 100 words or less on what the paper says and then 250 words or less on the technical issue directed towards technologists and nurses (imaging or stress testing). The commentary will have no more than 3 references.

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