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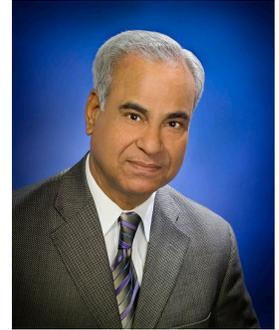
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Dear Friends and Members of WARMTH,

As 2017 has started rolling on, I am looking forward to continue serving WARMTH as its President for this second year. I must again repeat what I had said in my earlier initial letters when I took my office that I greatly appreciate my predecessors (Richard Baum, the Late Ajit Padhy, and Harvey Turner) who had provided excellent examples of leadership of WARMTH. I am fortunate to have been a part of such exciting teams, working with exceptional people instrumental in directing WARMTH, and thus my goal would be to keep maintaining our phenomenal success, within the term of my Presidency.



As I had stated earlier, one of my missions has been to continue to lead WARMTH in a position of prominence within the various nuclear medicine societies, in particular the United States Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging (SNMMI), and help our members achieve their goals at an international level within the mainstream of nuclear medicine. I will always welcome and appreciate any suggestions or comments that any of you may have in this regard, so please do not hesitate to contact me so we work together to improve and maintain the standing of WARMTH as the Association that serves as an *Umbrella* for other nuclear medicine societies interested in all kinds of radiopharmaceutical therapies.

As you all may know, this started with the 2011 SNMMI Annual meeting in Miami, Florida, when I, along with Ajit Padhy and Patricia Bernal reached out to the SNMMI Leadership to propose a sponsorship or collaboration. We were able to impress them with WARMTH's goals and missions, and the rest is history. We are in!

At the moment, I am proposing that WARMTH be considered as a *sister society* of the SNMMI. This is being considered by the SNMMI leadership and seems hopefully to be done within the near future. In the meantime, I have started collaborating our WARMTH with other SNMMI Councils or Centers for organizing Categorical Seminars and CME sessions at the Mid-Winter as well as the Annual SNMMI meetings. These have been very successful.

In 2015, the SNMMI Nuclear Oncology Council, of which I was the President was dissolved and resulted in the establishment of the new "SNMMI Therapy Center of Excellence" (TxCoE), of which I have been the President as well. I decided to have a WARMTH leader serve as one of the members of the Board of Directors (about 12-15) of the TxCoE. The first one has been our Richard Baum, and now I am planning to nominate another WARMTH member to be hopefully the second within our BOD's, when he or she



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will stand for election in the coming month for the BOD's for 2017.

During 2014 -2016, we co-sponsored a number of joint WARMTH-SNMMI CME (Continuing Medical Education) sessions, during both SNMMI Mid-Winter and the Annual meetings, and those were quite a success. In addition, our participation in the Categorical Seminars on Theragnostics at the 2016 Annual SNMMI meeting ("Theragnostics Beyond Neuroendocrine Tumors: Novel Applications of Targeted Radionuclide Therapy in Malignant and Nonmalignant Conditions"), were unique and very successful. The sponsoring Council/Center/Committees were: the new SNMMI Therapy Center of Excellence, Pediatric Imaging Council, Correlative Imaging Council, and our WARMTH. The twenty or so Co-Organizers/Moderators/Speakers for these sessions included our WARMTH members including Irene Virgolini, Patricia Bernal, Emerita Barrenechea, many others, and myself. Also, in this coming year, we are going to organize and participate in SNMMI Annual meeting in Denver, Colorado, in June.

These sessions, co-sponsored by WARMTH have generally been full and many of these were some of the best-attended sessions within the SNMMI meetings. These have been great beginnings for us in terms of the collaboration between WARMTH and SNMMI, and hopefully, this will flourish and continue to prevail.

Thus, I am readying our WARMTH to find and keep a more permanent relationship with SNMMI, where as I mentioned above, we would have representation within the new SNMMI "Therapy Center of Excellence" as well.

We had an extremely successful eleventh ICRT-2016 in Cochin, India in November 2016. Our Partha Choudhary and his wonderful team did an absolutely superb job in organizing this congress. We had an outstanding local and international faculty and excellent attendance from participants from all over the world. During this conference, we also started with our first Ajit Padhy Oration, which was presented by Prof. Hossein Jadvar, the Immediate Past President of the SNMMI (see the attachment).

During 2017, within the remaining year, we have a number of stimulating occasions coming up, including our own Twelfth International Congress on Radiopharmaceutical Therapy (ICRT-2017), which will be held in October 19-20, in Vienna, at the IAEA premises. This will be our main yearly spotlight, and I am very proud that our current WARMTH President-Elect Dr. Irene Virgolini will be the Congress President. She worked very hard and started the preparation early for it with great enthusiasm, and we are looking forward to welcoming all of you to participate. We can be assured that it will be very successful. The 2018 ICRT will be celebrated in collaboration with the World Federation of Nuclear Medicine and Biology (WFNMB-2018) in Melbourne, Australia in April. More information will continue to be put in our WARMTH website.



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In addition, as usual, we will continue to keep our collaboration and participation with other international Nuclear Medicine societies and organizations, such as Japanese Society of Nuclear Medicine, Korean Society of Nuclear Medicine, NMU (Nuclear Medicine Update-Singapore), AOFNMB, ARAIPES and EANM, and others. I have and will continue to have constant further discussions with the Governing Board Members of these International Societies and organizations, and will continue to be active in this fashion for everybody's mutual success.

I encourage you all, inasmuch as possible, to attend our ICRTs and ISRTs and the other international nuclear medicine meetings and symposia and thus maintain our global recognition and presence in the continued field of 'Theranostics', the soul of WARMTH and of TRT (Targeted radiopharmaceutical therapy, which we have initiated and promoted from the very beginning. In addition, I recommend that your Young Investigators and students also attend, as and when possible. These all are exciting forums for young scientists to present their results, network, and interact with other fellow nuclear society members. I will make sure that the WARMTH leadership will continue its efforts, with your help, to set aside a separate "Educational Fund" in its coffers to support these activities.

I will also assure that as in the past, IAEA support continues to be offered for our ICRT meetings. As I mentioned earlier, our 2017 ICRT will take place in the IAEA premises and with their help and cooperation. I will work hard, with your help, to continue obtaining sponsorship of as many industrial companies as possible to support us for our various endeavors, in particular for our yearly ICRT's. In addition, I will continue to attract additional WARMTH corporate members, who can support our specific needs for particular projects, such as our ongoing Re-188 clinical trials, and others in the future.

Again, I am pleased to state that in recognition of our Late Ajit Padhy's contributions to WARMTH, we had decided to create an "Ajit Padhy Memorial Oration" the first of which was held at our ICRT-2016 in Kerala, India. This will now continue at all our future ICRT's. As it was for our last ICRT in Kochin, the nominations for the future Orations can be made by any WARMTH member, with a proposer & seconder with the candidate's CV to be submitted to our WARMTH Administrator, at least 6 months before the meeting. From out of the nominated candidates, the Executive Board of our Governing Body will be carrying out the selection of the speaker.

As you already realize, for some time now, we have gone totally electronic and have been constantly taking steps to improve our website with more interactive membership and payment opportunities for our members, for electronic elections, and for all kind of information and communications, etc. This all is working very well; many thanks to our current Chief Operational Officer, Mr. Josh Mailman, who has extensive competence in IT



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and various other matters of administration. Despite his other extremely busy schedules, he has continued to help our WARMTH. His help and commitment to WARMTH thus far have been immeasurable, and hopefully would continue until we can find and appoint a new Secretariat.

New directions for our WJNM (World Journal of Nuclear Medicine) will continue to be implemented, with the help of our Editor in Chief, Prof John Buscombe, who has kindly accepted to continue this in his role, which he accepted during the ICRT-2014 in Manila. For this, I am very grateful to him and appreciate his loyalty, despite his many other extremely heavy responsibilities. More information on this and our other educational endeavors such as the WARMTH Theragnostic Academy (WTA), etc., will continue, and be announced from time to time.

With an ever-increasing WARMTH membership, presently at around 500 members, I would like to again repeat what has been repeatedly said, that we (desperately!) urge each of you to engage one single new member by the end of this year 2017. If we all do this, there is no reason for our membership not to leap to 1000 or more!

Finally, thanks to all of you, our last year 2016 was a very successful year for WARMTH, and it continues this year as well. However, we still require to face and resolve a number of difficult issues, which will be shared with you as time progresses.

I am sure that with the help of our new Governing Body, and all of you, our members, we will do very well again in the coming term of my Presidency and beyond.

At last, I would like to thank each and every one of our members for your continued support, and for your help in maintaining a very positive future and outlook for WARMTH.

Sincerely,

Suresh Srivastava, Ph.D.

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