Welcome to Our New Board Members

Meet the Newest Members of the ABNM

K. Elizabeth Hawk, MS, MD, PhD – Faculty, Stanford School of Medicine, Department of Radiology, Division of Nuclear Medicine, Stanford, California

Kristina Elizabeth Hawk, MS MD PhD is a Nuclear Medicine Physician and Neuroradiologist. As a physician scientist, integrated MD/PhD training helped build a foundation to explore translational research efforts, using a full and intricate understanding of the research process, and the developed ability to understand, discuss and teach new emerging concepts. Eager to expand her passion into the field of Medical Radiation Physics, she also completed a separate Master’s degree in Medical Radiation Physics. Dr. Hawk is faculty for the Stanford School of Medicine, Department of Radiology, Division of Nuclear Medicine and also practices radiology in the Matrix Division of Radiology Partners.

Liza Lindenberg, MD – Associate Research Clinician; Chief, Nuclear Medicine Service for Molecular Imaging Program, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda, MD

Dr. Lindenberg started her medical career as a US Army family medicine physician, she then discovered nuclear medicine, and pursued a fellowship in 2006 where she enjoyed clinical practice at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Dr. Lindenberg later transitioned into the Commissioned Corps of the US Public Health Service, and became dedicated to its mission of protecting, promoting, and advancing the health and safety of our Nation through innovative research at the National Institutes of Health and has worked in Dr. Peter Choyke’s Molecular Imaging Program with the National Cancer Institute since 2010.

Yusuf Menda, MD – Division Director, Nuclear Medicine; Medical Director, PET Imaging; Program Director, Nuclear Medicine Residency; Professor of Radiology - Division of Nuclear Medicine and Professor of Radiation Oncology, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

Dr. Menda is the Division Director of Nuclear Medicine, Medical Director of PET Imaging and the Program Director of the Nuclear Medicine Residency Training Program at the University of Iowa. As a Professor of Radiology (division of Nuclear Medicine) and Professor of Radiation Oncology, Dr. Menda has an active and diverse clinical nuclear medicine practice which includes all aspects of general nuclear medicine including PET-CT imaging, therapy, pediatric studies and nuclear cardiology. Additionally, his primary clinical and research interest is in targeted radionuclide therapy, specifically in dosimetry guided therapies of malignancies. Dr. Menda is on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Nuclear Medicine and serve as a reviewer for a number of journals, including European Journal of Nuclear Medicine, Radiographics, Nuclear Medicine and Biology.

Ryan D. Niederkohr, MD – Chair of Nuclear Medicine, The Permanente Medical Group, Santa Clara, California

Dr. Niederkohr is the Chair of Nuclear Medicine at The Permanente Medical Group (TPMG), he oversee nuclear medicine operations at 22 Kaiser Permanente medical centers throughout the Northern California (San Francisco Bay Area and surrounds) region. TPMG has a group of 35 nuclear medicine physicians, which is among the largest nuclear medicine physician groups in the USA, performs the full scope of nuclear medicine practice including “conventional” (gamma, SPECT, SPECT/CT) imaging, PET/CT imaging, and radionuclide therapeutics. TPMG physicians were one of the very few non-university medical groups to participate in the Lutathera Expanded Access Program, and we were among the very first non-university medical centers in the country to offer Lutathera following FDA-approval.