Dear colleagues,

It is an honour and privilege to organize the 29th annual meeting of the Japanese Society of Nuclear Cardiology (JSNC), which will be held at The Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, Hakodate, Hokkaido, on July 12-13, 2019.

Recent advances in nuclear cardiology include new technologies for semi-conductor SPECT camera, cardiac PET tracers, and computer software for quantitative analysis of myocardial ischemia, viability, wall motion and mechanical dyssynchrony. Furthermore, multicenter studies using nuclear cardiology techniques have remarkably impacted diagnostic and therapeutic strategies in coronary artery disease. On the other hand, decreasing birthrate and aging population have been increasing medical costs, greatly necessitating appropriate and cost-effective medical management in Japan. From the medico-economical point of view, how does nuclear cardiology contribute? The main theme is “The best performance and new horizon in Nuclear Cardiology”. This meeting will feature poster sessions and morning lectures for residents and young doctors, the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology (ASNC)-JSNC joint seminars, video-live sessions for ischemia-based optimal use of percutaneous coronary intervention and cost-effective analysis of non-invasive interventions, and technological sessions.

I believe that your contributions to this field are unparalleled and a presentation at any of the sessions will be of great benefit. I hope to see you in Hakodate, the beautiful historic bayside city, in Hokkaido.

Sincerely yours,

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