



bncs newsletter

dates for the diary

ICNC-CT 2021 Virtual

Sunday, 09 May - Tuesday, 11 May 2021

International Conference on Nuclear Cardiology and Cardiac CT

Early registration deadline:
18th March 2021

Visit:

<https://www.escardio.org/Congresses-&Events/ICNC>

BSCI/BSCCT Annual Meeting 2021

BSCI/BSCCT Spring Meeting 2020 & Pre-Meeting Study Days

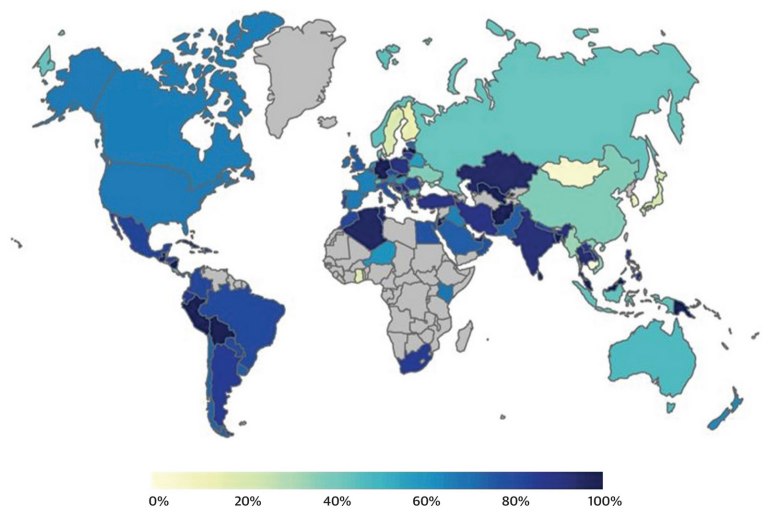
New dates:

12th-14th September 2021

Nuclear Cardiology topics including PET-CT study day

Visit:

<https://bsci.org.uk/meeting-course/bsci-bscct-spring-meeting-2020/>



Einstein, A.J. et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2021;77(2):173-85.

International Impact of COVID-19 on the Diagnosis of Heart Disease

The COVID-19 pandemic was associated with a rapid reduction in cardiovascular diagnostic procedures across the world. Members of the BNCS and BNMS participated in this survey sponsored by the IAEA.

The findings have been published: Einstein et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2021 Jan, 77 (2) 173–185.

Additional studies are indicated to assess the impact of these reductions in diagnostic care related to COVID-19, as they raise concerns for long-term worsening of cardiovascular health outcomes from lack of timely diagnosis. Multiple stakeholders will need to work



news and updates

Nuclear Cardiology: State of the Art

A review recently published in *Heart*, focusing on ischaemic heart disease, heart failure, infection and inflammation:
<https://heart.bmj.com/content/early/2021/01/22/heartjnl-2019-315628>

YouTube Channel:

A review recently published in *H*The YouTube channel contains a set of video lectures covering Nuclear Cardiology core curriculum topics. These include:

Indications for Myocardial Perfusion Scintigraphy - Stress Testing and Imaging Protocols - Diagnosis and Risk Stratification - Viability Assessment - Infective Endocarditis - Amyloidosis, and Sarcoidosis

Visit:  **YouTube**

Technologists and radiographers, as well as trainees will find the material useful. The channel will act as a repository for future webinars. If you have any material, or requests, please get in touch

together to improve timely patient access to cardiovascular diagnosis and therapeutics in this ongoing and in future pandemics.

New Council Officers

The BNCS welcomes
Dr Eliana Reyes, President
Dr Matthew Balerdi, Treasurer
Dr Rebecca Schofield, Secretary
Dr Jim Stirrup, BSCI Liaison

NM Technologists: Staff Shortage Survey

The United Kingdom is currently experiencing difficulties with Nuclear Medicine (NM) technologists recruitment. There is an ongoing review of professions shortages by the governmental Migration Advisory Committee. It is important that Nuclear Medicine Technologists are included in any new shortage list as we currently cannot recruit specialist NM technologists from abroad because they are not included in this list. To contribute to the review process, please visit:

[NM technologists shortage survey](#)

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