Martin P. Sandler, M.D., received the M.B. Ch.B. degree from the University of Cape Town Medical School in 1972, serving as a resident physician in Internal Medicine at Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa until 1978. Afterward, he came to the United States and completed a fellowship in Endocrinology and Metabolism at Vanderbilt University Medical Center and subsequently completed residency and fellowship training in Vanderbilt’s Division of Nuclear Medicine. He joined the faculty as Assistant Professor of Radiology and Radiological Sciences in 1983. At Vanderbilt, Dr. Sandler became Clinical Director of the Nuclear Medicine/PET Division, Director of the Nuclear Medicine Residency Training Program, Director of the Radiological Sciences Research Laboratory and Director of Clinical Nuclear Medicine. Dr. Sandler served as the Vice-Chairman of the Department of Radiology and Radiological Sciences from 1992 to 2000, after which he was named Chairman of the Department of Radiology and Radiological Sciences and Carol D. and Henry P. Pendergrass Professor. During his tenure as Chairman, the Department grew tremendously, both in size and stature. In July 2006, he became Associate Vice-Chancellor for Hospital Affairs at Vanderbilt, having oversight of Vanderbilt Hospital, Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital, Vanderbilt Psychiatric Hospital and Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital. In July 2009, he returned to clinical practice as Professor of Radiology and Radiological Sciences.

In 1983, Dr. Sandler joined the Society of Nuclear Medicine, becoming active on numerous local and national councils and committees and serving as editor of The Journal of Nuclear Medicine from 1999-2003. He has served on the Board of Trustees since 1993. He was elected to a variety of SNM offices and completed a year as President of that society in 2007. He currently chairs the Publications Committee. Dr. Sandler was recently made an honorary fellow of the South African Society of Nuclear Medicine for his scientific contributions to the field of Nuclear Medicine.

Dr. Sandler has been awarded 18 industry and government-funded grants and awards. In addition, he has edited 9 textbooks, authored over one hundred published manuscripts, 16 editorials, 62 textbook chapters, 83 scientific communications and presentations and five educational tapes.
**Alexander J.B. McEwan, MB, FRCPC**

Dr. McEwan is currently Chair of the Department of Oncology within the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Alberta. He is also Medical Director of the Cross Cancer Institute in Edmonton.

Dr. McEwan has been a member of the faculty at the University of Alberta 1986. He has been instrumental in the development of the Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Programme at the Cross Cancer Institute and has a clinical interest in the role of the image as a biomarker in the management of patients with cancer. With over 100 publications, Dr. McEwan's major clinical interest is in the field of endocrine tumors and he has developed the largest radioisotope therapy programme in Canada. In 2010, he introduced Lutetium – 177 therapy at the Cross Cancer Institute. He is frequently asked to speak internationally about Radioisotope Therapy.

He has been special advisor on Medical Isotopes for the Federal Minister of Health and is a member of the Canadian Association of Radiopharmaceutical Scientists, the Society of Nuclear Medicine and the European Association of Nuclear Medicine. Dr. McEwan is also a past president of the Society of Nuclear Medicine.

**Origin of the Sandler Lecture**

The Department of Radiology and Radiological Sciences wishes to honor Dr. Sandler for his extraordinary services, and has established this annual lecture for that purpose.

It is with great pleasure that we have a clinician and researcher who is at the forefront of developments in clinical nuclear imaging.