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On behalf of SSO President James R. Howe, MD and the SSO Executive Council, I invite you to

join us virtually for SSO 2021 – International Conference on Surgical Cancer Care. SSO 2021’s

theme, *Where Wisdom Effects Change*, focuses on the intellectual capital of the Society, “Wisdom,” and brings front and center the impact it has on “Change.” These challenging times have required all of us to pool our collective wisdom, take on new challenges and effect change in ways we have not previously imagined. The resilience and dedication of the front-line workers are both remarkable and inspiring.

The Scientific Program Committee and the Annual Meeting Reimagination Steering Task Force have worked tirelessly to shape this year’s virtual meeting into a more inclusive, engaging and streamlined format. I’m pleased to announce that SSO 2021 will see the return of Symposia Sessions and Great Debates. Ten symposia covering a range of topics will be conducted, including: Update on Treatments for Cholangiocarcinoma, Management of High-Risk Melanoma, Tailoring Breast Cancer Surgery, Cancer Surgery During a Pandemic: A Global Perspective and Inclusion and Respect in the SSO, featuring Martin S. Karpeth, Jr., MD.

Our Featured Lecturers are an esteemed group of clinicians, researchers and leaders including the SSO President, James R. Howe, MD. Bert Vogelstein, MD of the Johns Hopkins Medical School and Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center will discuss cancer genetics during the James Ewing Lecture. The American Cancer Society/SSO Basic Science Lecture will be given by Stacey Gabriel, PhD, of the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard; and the John Wayne Clinical Research Lecture will be presented by Jatin P. Shah, MD from Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

The preceding months have been hectic and unpredictable and while we won’t see each other in person, we can experience the collective wisdom of our peers virtually and effect change at our institutions. I look forward to seeing you online!

Martin J. Heslin, MD

SSO 2021 Scientific Program Chair

SSO 2021 FEATURED LECTURER SCHEDULE



SSO PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

“The State of SSO: Responding to the Pandemic and Beyond”

James R. Howe, MD

University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine



JAMES EWING LECTURE

“Cancer Genes and Their Implications for Patients”

Bert Vogelstein, MD

The Johns Hopkins Medical School and
Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center



JOHN WAYNE CLINICAL RESEARCH LECTURER

“New Avenues to Uplift Global Quality of Care in Surgical Oncology”

Jatin P. Shah, MD

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center



AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY/ SSO BASIC SCIENCE LECTURE

**“Human Genomics at Scale: Impact of Technology,
Data Aggregation and Foundational Programs”**

Stacey Gabriel, PhD

Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard

YOUR PARTICIPATION IMPACTS THE FUTURE OF CANCER

The SSO 2021 virtual meeting promises to be a key milestone in our ongoing efforts to leverage the collective wisdom of the SSO community to improve care for patients affected by cancer. Join us to experience the leading-edge research, dialogue and networking with peers that allow us all to transform insights into change in the future of cancer care.

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SYMPOسيا SESSIONS TO ENGAGE MANY INTERESTS

Below are just a few highlights of the 10 symposia sessions that will join the four Great Debates, 110 oral and video abstracts and 275 ePosters to be presented, that will make up an inclusive and engaging scientific program.

Cancer Surgery During a Pandemic: A Global Perspective

Moderators: Chandrakanth Are, MD, MBA and Isabel T. Rubio, MD, PhD

Cancer surgery has witnessed significant disruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each country or region has adapted differently and developed specific best practices to ensure that cancer surgeons continue to deliver care for their patients. While these practices may be unique for a specific region, it is likely that they may be of benefit to every other country in the world, not only for the current pandemic but also for any other future catastrophic events. Panelists for this session are members of the Global Forum of Cancer Surgeons.

Case-Based Discussion in Colorectal Cancer

Moderators: Christina E. Bailey, MD, MSCI; Kamran Idrees, MD, MSCI, MMHC and Steven Nurkin, MD

These engaging case-based presentations will highlight breakthroughs in colorectal surgical oncology, the hottest therapeutic strategies and incorporation of circulating DNA and tumor profiling in management of colorectal cancer. Experts in the field will review significant studies in colorectal cancer, how it affects practice and what is on the horizon in a case-based format.

Controversies in Management of Primary and Metastatic Small Bowel Neuroendocrine Tumors

Moderators: Alexandra Gangi, MD and Martin J. Heslin, MD

There have been numerous recent advances in the diagnosis and treatment of metastatic neuroendocrine tumors (NETs), including the use of long-acting somatostatin analogues, chemotherapy and radiolabeled-somatostatin analogues, which have shown improvement in patient outcomes. This session will cover topics for which there is no clear consensus regarding management of metastatic NETs including understanding approaches for resectable and unresectable disease, identification of non-surgical treatment options and recognizing key factors in pre- and post-operative management.

Evidence-Based Sarcoma Care for the Next Decade: Recent and Forthcoming Trials

Moderators: Emily Z. Keung, MD, AB, AM and John E. Mullinax, MD

This evidence-based session will highlight new data regarding multimodal treatment options for sarcomas, including immunotherapy, adjuvant imatinib for GIST and radiation and chemotherapy for retroperitoneal sarcomas. The session will include the most recent clinical trial data and preview forthcoming prospective studies.

Inclusion and Respect in the SSO

Moderators: Martin J. Heslin, MD and Susanne Warner, MD

In this forum we will discuss data-driven means for fostering a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere at the SSO, forming the basis for our SSO Guidelines for Respectful Discourse. The purpose of this session is to encourage intentional society growth and promote respect for individuals of every background to maximize our abilities to learn from each other.

Management of Breast Cancer in Women Age 70+

Moderators: Elizabeth Marcus, MD and Thijs Van Dalen, MD, PhD

This session covers several topics including when to use chemotherapy, the role of anti-HER2 therapy without chemotherapy, adherence to endocrine therapy and the impact of this on the decision to avoid radiation therapy.

Management of High-Risk Melanoma: What We Know and Where We Are Heading

Moderators: J. Michael Guenther, MD and Tina J. Hieken, MD

Recent advances in the treatment of metastatic melanoma with immunotherapy creates interest in treating high-risk melanoma with immunotherapy in neoadjuvant or adjuvant fashion. This session will cover recent clinical trials data and the current status of neoadjuvant and adjuvant treatment of high-risk melanoma to allow participants to apply this information to their practice.

Surgical Management of Peritoneal Surface Malignancies: Current Approaches and Future Direction

Moderators: Jordan Cloyd, MD and Alexandra Gangi, MD

This symposium will review current evidence-based approaches to the surgical management of colorectal and gastric peritoneal disease as well as highlight novel methods of treating patients with peritoneal surface malignancies. A diverse, international panel of expert speakers will lead this engaging discussion focused on peritoneal malignancies.

Tailoring Breast Cancer Surgery/Management to Patient and Tumor Factors

Moderators: Lisa Newman, MD, MPH and Stacy K. Ugras, MD

Breast cancer management occurs at the intersection of the surgical management of the breast and axilla, radiation therapy and systemic therapy. This session examines scenarios that take into account these factors to tailor disease management to patient and tumor factors.

Update on Treatments for Cholangiocarcinoma

Moderators: Sepideh Gholami, MD and Ryan Merkow, MD, MS

This session will provide updates on the rapidly evolving treatment landscape of cholangiocarcinoma in the localized and advanced settings. Speakers will discuss the roles of neoadjuvant and adjuvant therapy, molecular testing and targeted therapies, liver transplantation and loco-regional therapies.



GREAT DEBATES ARE BACK FOR SSO 2021!

Reimagined for a virtual setting, our Great Debates series will feature leading surgeons engaged in spirited debate around four controversial topics that will impact the future of cancer care.

GREAT DEBATES SESSION 1

Resection of Disappearing Colorectal Liver Metastases

Moderator: Shishir K. Maithel, MD

Pro: Thomas A. Aloia, MD

Con: Laleh Melstrom, MD

Short Course Radiation for Rectal Cancer: Is It FINALLY Ready for Prime Time?

Moderator: David Shibata, MD

Pro: Cornelius Van de Velde, MD

Con: Philip B. Paty, MD

GREAT DEBATES SESSION 2

Aggressive Surgical Resection Should be Performed for Patients with Gastric Adenocarcinoma with Positive Peritoneal Cytology that is Subsequently Cleared with Chemotherapy

Moderator: Shaila Merchant, MD

Pro: Fabian M. Johnston, MD, MHS

Con: Joseph Kim, MD

Sentinel Node Biopsy is or is Not Beneficial for pT1b/pT2a Tumor

Moderator: Richard L. White, MD

Pro: Mark B. Faries, MD

Con: Jonathan S. Zager, MD



EXPERIENCE THE VIRTUAL SSO HUB

Take a break from SSO 2021 sessions and check out the virtual SSO HUB. The HUB features a variety of informative videos, and clinical and product information from SSO 2021 sponsors. Also featured is the SSO HUB Theater, which presents non-CME educational content produced by SSO, as well as Industry Forums presented by HUB Zone sponsors and Industry Spotlights presented by HUB Engager sponsors.

PRE-MEETING HAPPY HOUR PROGRAMS

Mark your calendar today to join colleagues and friends for pre-meeting happy hour programs the evenings of Tuesday, March 16 and Wednesday, March 17. Programming will feature industry spotlight presentations and virtual tumor boards. These evening events are free of charge. Watch your email and SSO social media for details.

SSO 2021 DAILY SCHEDULE

All SSO 2021 content will be scheduled and organized by disease site. Featured Lectures and Cross Disciplinary content available on both days.

THURSDAY | MARCH 18

Breast

Colorectal

Endocrine, Head & Neck

Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary

FRIDAY | MARCH 19

Melanoma

Peritoneal Surface Malignancies

Sarcoma

Upper Gastrointestinal

DON'T FORGET to check-out the ePosters where you will find 275 posters including SSO's Global Partner Posters. You will be able to vote for your favorite poster in the annual SSO poster contest.