Program for 46th Division of General Surgery Annual Assembly,
University of Toronto
Thursday, May 18th, 2023
Omni King Edward

Belgravia (Second Level)
7:00-8:00  Breakfast with the Professor: Gail Darling (Closed - By Invitation Only)
Facilitator – Najib Safieddine

Crystal Ballroom Foyer - 17th Floor
7:15-8:00  Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00-8:15  Welcome
Carol Swallow, RS McLaughlin Professor and Chair of the Department of Surgery,
University of Toronto

8:15-9:15  Paper Session I
Chair – David Lim
Macrophage Enrichment in CDH Fetal Hypoplastic Lungs and The Immuno-Modulatory
Effects of Amniotic Fluid Stem Cell Extracellular Vesicle Therapy
Presenter Fabian Doktor
Long-Term Outcomes Following Non-Operative Management of Acute Appendicitis: A
Population-Based Analysis
Presenter Teagan Telesnicki
Ex Vivo Delivery of Autologous Regulatory T Cells During Normothermic Machine
Perfusion in Porcine Kidney Transplantation
Presenter Tun Pang Chu
Establishing a Patient-Centered Pilot Cancer Survivorship Program (CSP) to Enhance Quality-of-Life Among Breast Cancer (BC) Patients in Trinidad & Tobago (T&T) with the Potential for Dissemination Across the Wider Caribbean Region
Presenter Kristy Samaroo
A North American Center's Performance Compared to the Global Benchmark
Set for Laparoscopic Liver Resections
Presenter Woo Jin Choi

9:15-9:45  Poster Session I and Break
Judges – Danielle Bischof, Nicole Look Hong, Chaya Schwartz, Stephanie Tung

9:45-10:45  Paper Session II
Chair - Dylan Pannell
A Multi-Dimensional Approach to Identifying the Highest Performing Trauma Centers Across North America
Presenter Doulia Hamad
Presenter M. Saif Hameed
Can Artificial Intelligence Provide Decision-Support to Avoid High-Risk Behaviors During Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy? A Postoperative Video Analysis
Presenter Uzair Khalid
The Impact of Magnetic Resonance Guided High Intensity Focused Ultrasound Generated Hyperthermia and Chemotherapy on The Immune Profile of a Murine Model of Rhabdomyosarcoma
Presenter Julia Nomikos
How Informed is The Consent Process for Complex Cancer Resections?
Presenter Yuvreet Kaur

10:45-11:15  Poster Session II and Break
Judges – Danielle Bischof, Nicole Look Hong, Chaya Schwartz, Stephanie Tung

11:15-11:30  Resident Awards
Chair - Savraj Brar
PGY1 - Professionalism Essay
PGY2 - Mentorship Project Award
PGY3 – Resident Advocacy Award

11:30-12:30  Remembrance of E. Bruce Tovee – Zane Cohen
Introduction of Tovee Lecturer – Carol Swallow
“Professionalism and the Role of M and M Conference”
Gail Darling
Dr. D. Alex Gillis Professor and Head
Department of Surgery Dalhousie University
Chief of Surgery Nova Scotia Health Central Zone

12:30-1:30  Lunch

12:30-1:30  Fellows’ Graduation Ceremony
Chair – Tim Jackson

1:30-2:30  Thriving OVER Surviving: family, parenthood, work-life balance for a surgical career in the 21st century
Facilitator - Graham Shelhome Gross
Symposium Panelists:
Savtaj Brar
Gail Darling
Shirin Dason
Rosie Presutti
Paul Savage

2:45-3:45  Paper Session III – “Rapid Fire”
Chair – Tyler Chesney

Anal Cancers in Previously Screened Versus Unscreened Patients: Tumor Stage and Treatment Outcomes  Presenter Richard Walker

Surgeon Leadership in the Operating Room: Setting the Tone for Team Performance  Presenter Hillary Lia

Indoleamine-2,3-Dioxygenase 1 and 2 are Expressed in Hepatoblastoma Cells and Differentially Associated with High-Risk Disease  Presenter Lisandro Luques

The Role of Caspase-1 in Triple Negative Breast Cancer, the Immune Tumour Microenvironment, and Response to Anti-PD1 Immunotherapy  Presenter Wanda Marini

Achievement of Quality Metrics in Older Adults Undergoing Elective Colorectal Cancer Surgery  Presenter Tiago Ribeiro

Integrating Equity Frameworks into Surgical Quality Improvement and Health Administrative Databases: A Narrative Review  Presenter Adom Bondzi-Simpson

Human Peritoneal Explant Model Reveals Genomic Alterations That Facilitate Peritoneal Implantation of Gastric Cancer Cells  Presenter Deanna Ng

Vascular Anastomosis Workshop Improves General Surgery Residents’ Confidence and Competence  Presenter Shilpa Balaji

Impact of Geography on Receipt of Medical Oncology Consultation and Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy for Triple Negative and HER2 Positive Breast Cancer  Presenter Elliott K. Yee

Canadian Coaching Program Leads to Successful Transition From Open to Laparoscopic HPB Surgery  Presenter Alice Zhu

3:45-4:30  State of the Union Address
Carol Swallow

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4:30-5:15  Laparoscopic skills competition to choose CAGS/CSF champion
Session Chair – Matthew Castello

4:30-5:30  Cocktails/mocktails

Crystal Ballroom – 17th Floor

5:30-8:00  Evening Program and Graduation Dinner
Master of Ceremonies - Carol Swallow

Presentation of Awards:
Robert Mustard Mentorship Award
Nicolas Colapinto Teaching Award
Marcus Burnstein Award for Outstanding Presentation at University of Toronto Annual Update in General Surgery
1st Place Oral Presentation
2nd Place Oral Presentation
1st Place Poster Presentation
PGY4 Highest CAGS Result
PGY5 Best Resident Mentor Award
Graduation Ceremony - Various presenters
Valedictory address - Hala Muaddi

9:00  Resident After-Party at Luma (350 King St. West, 2nd floor)