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WELCOME ADDRESS

WELCOME TO THE SIOG VIRTUAL ADVANCED COURSE IN GERIATRIC ONCOLOGY, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA.

We as doctors face an ageing population in day to day practice with unique care needs. Thus, clinicians require additional competencies and skills to care for this population. Most clinicians, however, receive little to no training in geriatrics. There has been increasing recognition of the importance of learning about geriatric oncology. However, teaching of geriatric oncology principles is not standard or widespread.

The SIOG Advanced Course in Geriatric Oncology is a CME accredited training programme lead by international experts in the field of geriatrics and oncology. The course is designed to provide specific skills in assessment, care pathways and therapeutic choices for older patients with cancer. This 2-day advanced course covers the general principles of cancer treatment using case-based discussions. The course aims to impart geriatrics skills for clinical oncologists as well as in clinical oncology for geriatricians.

The course aims to highlight educational work done in the field of geriatric oncology and hopefully accelerate the development, implementation, integration, and dissemination of geriatric oncology curricula. These, in turn, will hopefully help improve the knowledge and skills of clinicians caring for older adults with cancer.

We hope that you will enjoy the SIOG Virtual Advanced Course from Canberra to the fullest and benefit from new ideas and productive new contacts.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ravi'.

Ravindran Kanesvaran,
SIOG President





ABOUT SIOG

WHO WE ARE

The International Society of Geriatric Oncology, also called SIOG (Société Internationale d'Oncologie Gériatrique) in French, is a multidisciplinary membership-based society with members engaged in more than 80 countries around the world. Our network includes geriatricians, medical oncologists, surgical oncologists, radiation oncologists, anaesthesiologists, nurses and allied health professionals. Founded in 2000, SIOG was officially registered as a not-for-profit organisation under the Swiss law in October 2012. Ever since, SIOG has

established a long-standing history of implementing programmatic activities in the field of Geriatric Oncology via 3 strategic directions: education, clinical practice and research.

Powered by global collaborations, the SIOG network is committed to strengthening the national capacity for Human Resources for Health (HRH) in various countries and in promoting and advocating for the health agenda of the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG3) i.e. 'Ensure healthy lives and promote wellbeing for all at all ages'.

MISSION & VISION

The goal of SIOG is to strengthen the capacity of health professionals in the field of geriatric oncology, in order to optimise treatment of older adults with cancer.

SIOG operates via 3 strategic directions:

1. Education

- Disseminate knowledge in order to maintain a high common standard of healthcare in older cancer patients.
- Integrate geriatric oncology in the curricula for medical and nursing education to ensure a high standard of qualification for healthcare professionals.
- Address the shortage of specialist oncologists/geriatricians & allied health staff in geriatric oncology
- Increase public awareness of the worldwide cancer in the elderly epidemic.

2. Clinical practice

- Integrate geriatric evaluation (including comorbidities) into oncology decision-making and guidelines
- Improve the quality of prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up of older patients with malignancies
- Address issues of access to care, including the needs of the caregiver
- Develop interdisciplinary geriatric oncology clinics

3. Research

- Develop, test and disseminate easy screening tools
- Create a clear and operational definition of vulnerability/frailty applicable to oncology
- Increase the relevance of clinical trials for older patients
- Improve research in the field of geriatric oncology
- Promote multidisciplinary, basic/translational research on the interface of ageing and cancer





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SIOG MEMBERSHIP

SIOG members share a passion to bring good clinical practices in the elderly. Current SIOG membership comprises over 1900 individual members in 80 countries and continues to grow. Our current members include scientists, surgical oncologists, geriatricians, medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, psychologists, sociologists, nurses, nurse practitioners, and other healthcare professionals active in the area of clinical practice interested in and/or involved in the management of older patients with cancer.

Individual Membership benefits:

- **Submit articles** to the Journal of Geriatric Oncology (JGO), the leading journal specifically dedicated to geriatric oncology;
- **Access the Journal** of Geriatric Oncology (JGO) - 6 ANNUAL ISSUES;
- **Access the Critical reviews** in Oncology/Hematology (CROH) - 12 ANNUAL ISSUES;
- **Registration fee discount** for the SIOG Annual Conference, SIOG Advanced Courses, SIOG Regional Events and SIOG Preceptorship;
- **Vote at the SIOG General Assembly** and elect Board members (this applies to standard, emeritus and special 1 & 2 membership fees only);
- **Participate** in Expert Task Forces and Expert Working Group;
- **Possibility to become SIOG National Representative;**
- **Possibility to become SIOG Mentor**, member of SIOG Faculty or educational advisor in Geriatric Oncology;
- **Possibility to acquire support** for Preceptorships in Geriatric Oncology in your country;
- **Subscribe to the SIOG Newsletter** and keep abreast of the latest developments in the area of geriatric oncology;
- **Discounts on selected publications/books** (e.g. ESMO Handbook of Geriatric Oncology, and other ESMO Handbooks);
- **Networking opportunities** to build a strong international coalition in Geriatric Oncology;
- **Engage with SIOG activities** including its annual conference;
- **Represent SIOG** at high level meetings in Geriatric Oncology.

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	Until July 1, 2021	Between July 2 - November 2, 2021	From November 3, 2021
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The scientific programme will cover 5 tracks

- Track 1:** Solid tumours and basic science
- Track 2:** Hematologic malignancies and basic science
- Track 3:** Supportive and palliative care
- Track 4:** Geriatric assessment
- Track 5:** Other



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SCIENTIFIC & EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

SIOG TASK FORCES

The SIOG Task Forces are active in various fields of geriatric oncology. SIOG Task Forces produce position papers, consensus statements or clinical practice guidelines which then become the official SIOG documents on issues related to cancer in the elderly.

(Description by alphabetical order)

Active Task Forces

- Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)
- Corticosteroids and cancer treatments in older patients
- Ovarian cancer
- Study to estimate the toxicity, dose-intensity, and benefit of anti-EGFR-based treatment in patients with advanced colon cancer according to age
- Surgical

Completed Task Forces (already published)

- Adherence to oral cancer therapy in older patients
- Anaesthesia in the elderly
- Anti-HER2 targeted treatments in the elderly with breast cancer
- Bisphosphonates in the elderly
- Bone protection in older patients with cancer
- Breast cancer in the elderly
- Chemotherapy toxicity in the elderly
- Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia in older patients (CLL)
- Colorectal cancer in the elderly
- Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment (CGA)
- Cultural Competence in the elderly
- Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma in the elderly (DLBCL)
- Impact of nutrition in the management outcomes of older adults with gastrointestinal cancers
- Metastatic renal cell cancer in the elderly
- Oral chemotherapy treatment in the elderly with solid tumours
- Organization of the clinical activity of geriatric oncology
- Quality of life in older cancer patients
- Personalized treatment of elderly patients with rectal cancer
- Prostate cancer in senior adults
- Radiotherapy in the elderly

- Renal safety in the elderly
- Use of antiaromatases (AIs) in the elderly
- (The) management of elderly metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma (mRCC) patients
- (The) treatment of bladder cancer in older cancer patients
- (The) Use of radiopharmaceuticals in the older patients with cancer
- (The) Use of taxanes in older breast cancer patients

The SIOG Task Forces actively provide the following published materials:

- Newsletters on meeting(s) for the development of the guidelines,
- Abstracts sent to international conferences,
- Presentations in programs of scientific meetings,
- Monographs on educational topics
- Peer-reviewed published articles on the official SIOG guidelines

NB: Some of the above works have been made possible through unrestricted educational grants from pharmaceutical companies (see each TF for funding details).





E-LEARNING MODULES

In partnership with eCancer, SIOG has developed a series of online educational activities specifically addressing the special considerations that apply to managing the older patient with cancer. These free, continuing education activities aim to identify patient- and disease-related factors that may complicate treatment and share expert perspectives about strategies and tools for providing optimal care for older patient with cancer.

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SIOG PRECEPTORSHIP

Designed to give the professionally trained student experience outside the academic environment working with a licensed professional or other advisory.

With the aim of covering the main geriatric oncology issues, the courses are designed primarily for medical and clinical oncologists and aim to educate participants about the current standards of care older adults with cancer. They are particularly suitable for young oncologists and for general oncologists wishing to acquire or update their geriatric oncology knowledge. Each course is accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME).

The SIOG 2 days Preceptorship courses, which include plenary lectures from a multidisciplinary faculty and case-based discussions, offer a unique learning experience: small size and emphasis on interaction with fellow participants and faculty. Emphasis on interaction and adequate discussion time is provided after all sessions. In order to optimise interaction, participation is limited to about 30 delegates per course. SIOG preceptorships offer:

- **A focus on specific geriatric oncology problematics;**
- **Oncologists with a thorough understanding of the management of the disease in older adults from diagnosis to treatment, according to current standards of care in a multidisciplinary setting;**
- **An opportunity for participants to expand their professional network as each course is limited to 30 attendees to ensure interaction with participants and faculty members.**

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The SIOG 2021 Advanced Course in Geriatric Oncology - Virtual, Canberra, Virtual, Australia, 12/01/2021-13/01/2021 has been accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) with **15 European CME credits** (ECMEC@s). Each medical specialist should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME



SPEAKERS



Etienne Brain, France

Etienne GC Brain, MD PhD, has been working since 1998 as a medical oncologist at the Hôpital René Huguenin (Saint-Cloud, France), which is now part of the academic centre Institut Curie. He obtained both his MD and PhD from University Paris V René Descartes, the latter after leading works in preclinical and clinical pharmacology on alkylating agents and liver metabolism in Boston (Dana Farber Cancer Institute and Boston University) and Saint Cloud (Centre René Huguenin). He was the Deputy Director for Research at Centre René Huguenin from 2008-2009, until the merge with Institut Curie happened in 2010. This latter has made the “multisites institution” Institut Curie one of the largest hospitals dedicated to

cancer management in Europe, with special focus on breast cancer (~ 3,000 new cases yearly), employing 2,000 care-givers and 1,000 researchers. Etienne Brain is currently in charge of the settlement of the new Department of Clinical Research of Institut Curie in Saint-Cloud. He is the chairman of the committee for the evaluation of clinical research of the Institut Curie.



Karis Cheng, Singapore

Karis Cheng is a Professor at the Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies at the National University of Singapore in Singapore. She has practiced clinical oncology nursing with training in haematopoietic stem cell transplantation for many years. Her research interests include cancer therapy-related complication and symptom management, patient-reported outcomes, and supportive cancer care. She has successfully completed a number of research studies, and published extensively in the areas of symptom management and supportive care, quality of life, and psychometric evaluation. She is an Associate Editor of the International Journal of Qualitative Methods, and serves on various editorial/advisory

boards of the international referred oncology journals.



Kwok-Leung Cheung, UK

Kwok-Leung Cheung is a Professor of Breast Surgery and Medical Education at the University of Nottingham, UK. He qualified and trained at Queen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong. Upon completion of general surgery training, he conducted clinical and laboratory research at the University of Nottingham, UK, with a Doctor of Medicine (in the area of blood tumour markers) awarded in 2001. He was then appointed as Consultant Breast Surgeon at Nottingham University Hospitals where he served as Head of Service, Breast Services (2007 - 2010) and Lead Clinician for Breast Cancer (2007 - 2011). He is currently Consultant Breast Surgeon at University Hospitals of Derby and Burton.

He has obtained surgical fellowship status from Hong Kong, Edinburgh and America. Professor Cheung was selected as one of the 12 International Guest Scholars 2007 of the American College of Surgeons, as a recognition of his strong interests and commitment in teaching and research.



Muhammad Choudhry, Australia

Dr Choudhry is a geriatrician at Canberra hospital. He has been at the forefront of developing the geriatric oncology service in collaboration with oncology department. His special interests include the impact of comprehensive geriatric assessment on treatment pathways in geriatric cancer patients.



Haryana Dhillon, Australia

Haryana is an Associate Professor in Cancer Survivorship and Psycho-Oncology at the Centre for Medical Psychology and Evidence-based Decision-making (CeMPED) University of Sydney. She is a Director of the Cancer Council NSW Board, and former Member of the Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (COSA) and Council. Haryana is the chair of the Psycho-Oncology Cooperative Research Group's Scientific Advisory Committee and has leadership roles in supportive care and quality of life in the Australasian Lung Cancer Trials Group and the ANZ Urogenitary and Prostate Cancer Trials Group.

Haryana co-leads a Cancer Survivorship Research Group based in the University of Sydney. The group is supported on peer-reviewed funding, allowing studies in cancer and cognition, physical activity in cancer populations, sleep disturbance and symptom control. She also maintains an active research interest in health literacy, communication in the cancer setting and patient education.



Divyanshu Dua, Australia

Dr Divyanshu 'Divy' Dua is a consultant medical oncologist and Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP). Dr Dua trained in internal medicine and medical oncology in Australia as part of FRACP before completing a clinical fellowship in drug development, early phase trials and thoracic malignancies at the Guy's Hospital, London (UK), and the Sarah Cannon Research Institute (UK).

Thoracic malignancies – including lung cancer, mesothelioma and thymoma – continue to be of special clinical interest to Dr Dua. He also has particular interest in the treatment of Genitourinary malignancies malignant melanoma, CNS tumours

and breast cancer. Dr Dua has also been involved in geriatric oncology services as part of his role as medical oncologist. He has been running the multidisciplinary clinic in Canberra for the past 2.5 years.

Dr Dua has published several articles in peer reviewed international journals. He is actively involved in teaching and research through his current affiliation with the Australian National University, Canberra. Past academic affiliations include the University of Adelaide, Flinders University, Monash Rural school of Medicine in Australia and King's College London. He is also active in training of the Physician training program.



Holly Holmes, US

Dr. Holly Holmes is a geriatrician and former pharmacist. She completed a BS in Pharmacy at the University of Texas, Austin, and then received her MD at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth). She completed internal medicine residency and geriatrics fellowship at the University of Chicago, where she was subsequently on the geriatrics faculty. She then joined the faculty at Baylor College of Medicine and later took a position as a clinical research faculty member at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. Her research and clinical interest focus on the appropriate use of medications in older patients,

particularly those approaching end of life. Her funded research is in pharmacoepidemiology, evaluating claims data for medication use patterns in older patients. She joined the faculty as Director of the Division of Geriatric and Palliative Medicine in September 2015.



Ravindran Kanesvaran, Singapore

Dr Ravindran Kanesvaran is a Consultant in the Department of Medical Oncology of the National Cancer Centre Singapore. He is also an Assistant Professor at Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School and clinical senior lecturer at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore. He is actively involved in graduate medical education and is a core faculty member of the Medical Oncology Senior Residency Program and the Singhealth Internal Medicine Residency Program.

He completed his medical oncology speciality training in the National Cancer Centre Singapore. After completion of that training, he followed up with a fellowship in genitourinary oncology (GU) and geriatric oncology in Duke Cancer Institute in North Carolina, USA on a Healthcare Manpower Development Program (HMDP) scholarship awarded by the Ministry of Health Singapore. His research interests include GU oncology and geriatric oncology. He has published in a number of well-known peer reviewed journals including Journal of Clinical Oncology and Lancet Oncology.

He has also been awarded a number of awards including the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO GU) Merit Award 2009, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) scholar-in-training Award 2010 and European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) fellowship award 2012. He is currently the President of the Singapore Society of Oncology (SSO) and the Singapore Geriatric Oncology Society. He has been appointed as European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) Faculty 2015-2016. He is on the Scientific and Education Committee and the National Representative for Singapore in the International Society of Geriatric Oncology (SIOG). He was recently awarded National Representative of the Year SIOG 2014 award.



Dorothy Keefe, Australia

Professor Keefe is the CEO of Cancer Australia, and an honorary Clinical Professor in the School of Medicine at the University of Adelaide. She has had a long career as a Medical Oncologist, and Professor of Cancer Medicine. Her areas of expertise include gastrointestinal toxicity of cancer treatment, Supportive Care in Cancer more broadly, Medical Leadership and Health Reform, and she has published extensively in the Supportive Care literature. She has a long-standing commitment to the Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer (MASCC), and is a past-president. All her work is focused on improving outcomes for patients.



Heather Lane, Australia

Heather Lane MBChB, FRACP, PhD is a Consultant Geriatrician and Director of Physician Education at Rockingham General Hospital in Western Australia. She holds a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery from the University of Otago in New Zealand, and a doctorate from the Centre for Palliative Care (University of Melbourne and St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)).

Heather is a member of the Clinical Oncological Society of Australia's Working Groups for both Geriatric Oncology Research and Guideline Development. She also represents Western Australia as a member of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians Advanced Training Committee for Geriatrician Training, and sits on the Geriatric Medicine Education and Training Committee for the Australian and New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine.

Her research interests include Healthcare Communication, Decision Making, Patient Experience, and Geriatric Assessment in Oncology.



Anil Paramadhathil, Australia

Dr Paramadhathil is the Director, Geriatric Medicine, Division of Rehabilitation, Aged and Community Care at Canberra Hospital and Health Services. Anil works in both the public and private sectors and has an interest in exploring models of care for better outcomes to elderly patients.



Catherine Paterson, Australia

Dr Catherine Paterson is an Associate Professor of Nursing, Faculty of Health, University of Canberra. Catherine completed her Ph.D. in 2013 and holds the following educational qualifications from the UK all with Distinctions (BA, MSc, non-medical prescribing, PGCert. LTA, FHEA). Catherine is a registered nurse in Australia (APRHA) and in the UK (NMC). She holds a visiting appointment with ACT Health, Canberra Cancer Hospital and is honorary senior lecturer at Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, UK.

Catherine conducts research in all areas of urology, and uro-oncology. She has expertise in conducting systematic reviews, ecological momentary assessment methodology, mixed methods, and complex interventions. She has experience of working in health services research for over 15 years.

Catherine has published widely and supervises HDR students.



Ganes Pranavan, Australia

Dr. Ganes Pranavan is a consultant medical oncologist at the Canberra Hospital with subspecialty interest in geriatric oncology, genito-urinary malignancies and neuro-oncology. Dr Pranavan has been working as a staff specialist in The Canberra Hospital since 2009. He is the principal investigator of several clinical trials in the above sub-specialities at The Canberra Hospital.

Dr Pranavan has been actively involved with the geriatric oncology multidisciplinary clinics in the Canberra Hospital since 2017. He serves as a lecturer at the Australian National University and has been involved with core teaching activities of the ANU medical school. He is also an active member of various national and international cancer organisations.



Angela Rezo, Australia

Dr Angela Rezo is a radiation oncologist with 20 years of experience who is committed to delivering high quality modern cancer treatment and developing a strong therapeutic relationship with her patients. She is an active member of the breast, brain, and lung cancer multi-disciplinary teams in the ACT, and is a clinical leader for the stereotactic service at the Canberra Hospital. Dr Rezo strives to ensure patients receive individualised treatment recommendations according to the most up-to-date evidence.



Tanujaa Rajasekaran, Singapore

Dr Tanujaa Rajasekaran is a Consultant in the Department of Medical Oncology of the National Cancer Centre Singapore, sub-specializing in genitourinary, thoracic and head and neck cancers. She graduated from the National University of Singapore and was awarded the Dean's list during her undergraduate studies.

She completed her medical oncology specialty training in the National Cancer Centre Singapore. Her research interests are in geriatric oncology and genitourinary cancers. She also awarded the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) fellowship grant 2013 for her research in geriatric oncology. She has published in a number of well-known peer reviewed journals including Journal of Clinical Oncology.

She is also actively involved in medical education. She is a core faculty member of the Medical Oncology Senior Residency Program and Clinical Lecturer in Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, NUS.



Anupama Roy Chowdhury, Singapore

Dr Anupama Roy Chowdhury is a Senior Consultant with Sengkang General Hospital. She received her medical degree from the National University of Singapore in 2002. She completed her specialist training in geriatric medicine in 2010 and went on to do a fellowship in dementia and neurocognitive disorders at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver in 2013. She has a special interest in dementia, geriatric oncology and medical education. She has previously been secretary and then vice-president of Society of Geriatric Medicine Singapore (SGMS).



Sabari Saha, Australia

Dr Sabari Saha is a consultant geriatrician at the Canberra Hospital and has been working at the hospital as a staff specialist since 2007. She provides medical input into the multidisciplinary Memory Assessment Clinic run at the hospital. She has an interest in medical education and has been involved in the teaching of various topics in Geriatric Medicine at the Australian National University Medical School.



Christopher Steer, Australia

Dr Steer is a medical oncologist working at Border Medical Oncology in the recently completed Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre. He developed an interest in the care of older adults with cancer during his 3-year clinical research fellowship at Guy's Hospital in London. He returned to private practice in Albury in 2003.

Christopher was the inaugural chair of the geriatric oncology interest group of the Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (COSA). He is actively involved in the International Society of Geriatric Oncology (SIOG) and was chair of the scientific committee of the annual scientific meeting in Prague in November 2015. He is an editorial board member of the Journal of Geriatric Oncology and the European Journal of Surgical Oncology. Christopher is chair of the geriatric oncology interest group of the Multinational Association for Supportive Care in Cancer (MASCC).

Christopher is the current president of the Private Cancer Physicians of Australia (PCPA) and is a member of the MOGA/PCPA cancer drugs working group.

Christopher is a principle investigator at the Border Medical Oncology research unit (BMORU). The BMORU has been recognized for innovation in clinical research particularly in delivering care to a rural/regional population. Christopher has led a pilot project of supportive care in older adults with cancer with funding from Cancer Australia.



Farhan Syed

Dr Farhan Syed is a Radiation Oncologist at Canberra Health Services with special interest in stereotactic radiotherapy, urological and gastrointestinal malignancies. He is the Australian Capital Territory's Clinical Lead and Steering Committee Member for the Prostate Cancer Outcome Registry – Australia and New Zealand. He is also the Director of Training for accredited radiation oncology registrars at the Canberra Hospital. He is the local principal investigator for multiple local and cooperative clinical trials. He investigates immunomodulatory effects of cancer and radiotherapy in pre-clinical studies at the Irradiation Immunity Interaction Laboratory at John Curtin School of

Medical Research, Australian National University.



Kok-Yang Tan

He specializes in colorectal cancer surgery and laparoscopic colorectal surgery with a special interest in low rectal cancers and sphincter-preserving surgery. He is also trained to perform advanced procedures in colonoscopy. His research work is well published in numerous international peer-reviewed journals. He is on the International Advisory Board of Digestive Endoscopy and also on the Editorial Boards of European Journal of Surgical Oncology, World Journal of Gastroenterology and World Journal of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy. He has also written a number of book chapters on colorectal surgery and published a number of editorials in international surgical journals.

He is the editor of the books «Colorectal Cancer in the Elderly» and “Transdisciplinary Perioperative Care in Colorectal Surgery” published by Springer in 2012 and 2014 respectively.

He is a Member of the Surgical Residency Advisory Committee of Singapore and has also been appointed as National Examiner for General Surgery. He is a member of the Singapore Medical Council Complaints Panel and serves on the Committee of the National Advisory Committee for Cancer. He served as the President of the Society of Colorectal Surgeons of Singapore from 2015 to 2017. He also served as a Board Member of the Chapter of General Surgeons of the College of Surgeons.

His other passion in the field of surgery is the improvement of outcomes in elderly patients. He is the Clinical Director of the Geriatric Surgery Programme of Khoo Teck Puat Hospital. He is actively involved in projects and clinical research on this challenging group of patients and is a member of the American Geriatrics Society and founded The Geriatric Surgery Society of Singapore in 2017.



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY 1 - January 12, 2021

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08:30 - 08:40	Welcome to the Country & Opening <i>Divyanshu Dua (AU)</i>	13:30 - 14:00	Nutrition Issues in Older Adults: Geriatrician Perspectives <i>Anil Paramadhatil (AU)</i>
08:40 - 09:00	Keynote Address: Challenges in Geriatric Oncology <i>Etienne Brain (FR)</i>	14:00 - 14:30	Bone Health in Older Adults with Cancer: Special Focus on Breast & Prostate Cancer <i>Heather Lane (AU)</i>
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome Remarks <i>Prof. Dorothy Keefe, CEO Cancer Australia</i>	14:30 - 15:15	Targeted Therapy in Oncology: Evidence in Older Adults and Mana- gement of Adverse Events <i>Ravindran Kanesvaran (SG)</i>
09:15 - 09:45	Biology of Aging <i>Holly Holmes (US)</i>	15:15 - 15:25	Q&A
09:45 - 10:00	Break	15:25 - 15:40	Break
10:00 - 10:30	Geriatric Assessment <i>Anupama Roy Choudhury (SG)</i>	15:40 - 16:25	Immunotherapy and management of toxicity in Older Cancer Patients <i>Christopher Steer (AU)</i>
10:30 - 11:00	Major Geriatric Syndromes <i>Holly Holmes (US)</i>	16:25 - 17:25	Interventions in Geriatric Oncology: Prehabilitation or Rehabilitation, Social Support, Physical Activity, Nurses Activity etc. Nurse Perspective: <i>Karis Cheng (SG)</i> Psychologist Perspective: <i>Haryana Dhillon (AU)</i> Medical Oncologist Perspective: <i>Divyanshu Dua (AU)</i> Surgeon Perspective: <i>Kwok-Leung Cheung (GB)</i> Geriatrician Perspective: <i>Anupama Roy Chowdhury (SG)</i>
11:00 - 11:30	Cognitive Impairment: Diagnosis and Management <i>Sabari Saha (AU)</i>	17:25 - 17:35	Q&A
11:30 - 12:00	Screening for Frailty <i>Sabari Saha (AU)</i>		
12:00 - 12:30	Cancer in the Older Person, What's Different? The real world evidence <i>Christopher Steer (AU)</i>		
12:30 - 13:00	Prediction of Chemotherapy toxicity in Older Patients <i>Tanujaa Rajasekaran (SG)</i>		
13:00 - 13:10	Q&A		
13:10 - 13:30	(Lunch) Break		



DAY 2 - January 13, 2021

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08:30 - 10:00 **Multi-Disciplinary Team Case Study:
Early & Metastatic Breast Cancer**
Co-Chairs: Etienne Brain (FR)
& Catherine Paterson (AU)
Medical Oncology Perspective:
Etienne Brain (FR)
Radiation Oncology Perspective:
Angela Rezo (AU)
Surgical Perspective:
Kwok-Leung Cheung (UK)
Geriatrics Perspective:
Anupama Roy Chowdhury (SG)
Nursing Perspective
Catherine Paterson (AU)

10:00 - 10:10 **Q&A**

10:10 - 10:25 **Break**

10:25 - 11:55 **Multi-Disciplinary Team Case Study:
Early & Metastatic Lung Cancer**
Co-Chairs: Ravindran Kanesvaran (SG)
& Karis Cheng (SG)
Medical Oncology Perspective:
Ravindran Kanesvaran (SG)
Radiation Oncology Perspective:
Angela Rezo (AU)
Psychology Perspective:
Haryana Dhillon (AU)
Geriatrics Perspective:
Holly Holmes (US)
Nursing Perspective
Karis Cheng (SG)

11:55 - 12:25 **Canberra Geriatric Oncology Service:
2-year Experience**
Medical Oncologist:
Divyanshu Dua (AU)
Medical Oncologist:
Ganes Pranavan (AU)
Geriatrician:
Muhammad Choudhry (AU)

12:25 - 12:35 **Q&A**

12:35 - 13:05 **(Lunch) Break**

13:05 - 14:35 **Multi-Disciplinary Team Case Study:
Early & Metastatic Genitourinary
Cancer**
Co-Chairs: Ganes Pranavan (AU)
& Catherine Peterson (AU)
Medical Oncology Perspective :
Ganes Pranavan (AU))
Radiation Oncology Perspective :
Farhan Syed (AU)
Psychology Perspective :
Haryana Dhillon (AU)
Geriatrics Perspective:
Heather Lane (AU)
Nursing Perspective
Catherine Paterson (AU)

14:35 - 14:45 **Q&A**

14:45 - 15:00 **Break**

15:00 - 16:30 **Multi-Disciplinary Team Case Study:
Early & Metastatic Colorectal Cancer**
Co-Chairs: Christopher Steer (AU)
& Karis Cheng (SG)
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Christopher Steer (AU)
Radiation Oncology Perspective:
Farhan Syed (AU)
Surgical Perspective:
Kok-Yang Tan
Geriatrics Perspective:
Anupama Roy Chowdhury (SG)
Nursing Perspective
Karis Cheng (SG)

16:30 - 16:40 **Q&A**

16:40 **Closing Address**
Divyanshu Dua (AU)



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