

6th Bladder Cancer Forum

2025

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APRIL 11 - 12



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MEETING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of the Bladder Cancer Forum 2025, participants will be able to:

- Session 1:** Understand novel therapies for patients with NMIBC
- Session 2:** Discuss advancements in the treatment of MIBC and metastatic urothelial carcinoma
- Session 3:** Appreciate nuances in the diagnosis and treatment of rare urologic tumors
- Session 4:** Understand the emerging role of liquid biopsy in bladder cancer
- Session 5:** Explore Canadian research advancements in bladder cancer
- Session 6:** Be aware of novel therapeutics on the horizon for urothelial carcinoma

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08:00	Registration and badge pickup
08:00 - 09:30	CBCRN meeting (by invitation only)
10:00 - 10:05	Welcome and introductions // Nimira Alimohamed, Peter Black, Girish Kulkarni
10:05 - 10:15	Update from the CUA // Tiffany Pizioli
10:15 - 10:30	Patient perspective
SESSION 1 • State-of-the-art Approaches to Non-Muscle-Invasive Bladder Cancer	
Moderators: Ardalan Ahmad, Peter Black	
10:30 - 12:00	
10:30 - 11:00	Molecular classification in NMIBC // Joshua Meeks
11:00 - 11:20	Novel technologies in NMIBC // Girish Kulkarni
11:20 - 11:35	Top NMIBC papers // Marie-Pier St-Laurent
11:35 - 12:00	Debate: Be it resolved that radiation therapy is the treatment of choice for high-risk T1 bladder cancer // MODERATOR // Ardalan Ahmad PRO // Fabio Cury CON // Joshua Meeks
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch & poster viewing
SESSION 2 • Questions and Controversies in Muscle-Invasive and Metastatic Urothelial Carcinoma	
Moderators: Aly-Khan Lalani, Scott North	
13:00 - 15:00	
13:00 - 13:30	Management of MIBC in cisplatin-ineligible patients with MIBC // Shilpa Gupta
13:30 - 13:50	Perioperative chemolO vs. adjuvant IO in MIBC // Scott North
13:50 - 14:10	New frontiers in radiotherapy for bladder cancer // Peter Chung
14:10 - 14:30	Panel discussion // Peter Chung, Shilpa Gupta, Joshua Meeks, Scott North
14:30 - 15:00	Metastatic bladder cancer tumor board (case-based) // Christina Canil, Peter Chung, Shilpa Gupta, Wassim Kassouf, Diana Magee, Scott North
15:00 - 15:10	Health break
SESSION 3 • Rare Tumors and Artificial Intelligence	
Moderators: Meghan Mahoney, Marie-Pier St-Laurent	
15:10 - 18:00	
15:10 - 15:30	Contemporary considerations in small cell bladder cancer // Maria Jiang
15:30 - 15:50	AI in upper tract urothelial carcinoma // Masoom Haider
15:50 - 16:15	Debate: Be it resolved that AI and digital pathology will replace the pathologist for the assessment of bladder cancer // MODERATOR // Marie-Pier St-Laurent PRO // Jethro Kwong CON // David Berman
16:15 - 16:30	Novel ADCs and bispecifics in urothelial cancer // Peter Black
16:30 - 18:00	Poster presentation networking event

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07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast
SESSION 4 • Advancing Bladder Cancer Care – Liquid Biopsy	
Moderator: Bernie Eigl	
08:30 - 10:00	
08:30 - 09:00	Opportunities for cell-free DNA in early detection, precision medicine, and molecular monitoring // Trevor Pugh
09:00 - 09:20	utDNA and ctDNA applications in urothelial cancer // Gillian Vandekerkhove
09:20 - 09:40	Clinical applicability of ctDNA in the management of patients with MIBC // Nimira Alimohamed
09:40 - 10:00	Panel discussion: Is ctDNA ready for prime-time in bladder cancer? // Nimira Alimohamed, Bernie Eigl, Trevor Pugh, Gillian Vandekerkhove
10:00 - 10:15	Health break
SESSION 5 • Oral Presentation of Best Abstracts	
Moderators: Wassim Kassouf, Alexandre Zlotta	
10:15 - 11:00	Best abstracts (6 minutes each plus 2-minute discussion)
10:15 - 11:00	
Keiran Pace // University of Toronto Ana Maria Vera Rodriguez, Taylor Zhang // Queen's University Jalal Laaraj // Université Laval Nicolas Zheng // University of British Columbia Cory Macklin // University of British Columbia	
SESSION 6 • Emerging Therapeutics	
Moderators: Madhuri Koti, Keith Lawson	
11:00 - 12:15	
11:00 - 11:30	Cell-based therapies in cancer // Naoto Hirano
11:30 - 11:45	Tumor-customized RNA therapeutics for cancer immunotherapy // Bowen Li
11:45 - 12:00	Manipulating the microbiome to enhance the efficacy of BCG in NMIBC // Vincent Fradet
12:00 - 12:10	Question and answer
12:10	Wrapup and acknowledgements // Nimira Alimohamed, Girish Kulkarni

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