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LETTER FROM THE 2023 PROGRAM CHAIRS

General Surgeons of Canada!

On behalf of the Program Committee, it is a phenomenal pleasure to invite you to attend the 2023 Canadian Surgery Forum (CSF) in Vancouver.

The CSF has established itself as the premier annual meeting for General Surgeons in Canada, and the 2023 meeting promises to be no exception. A meeting guided by the traditions of Canadian surgery, but truly grounded in the here and now, our theme this year is "Surgical Innovation for Environmental Sustainability". Led by David Suzuki (yes, THE DAVID SUZUKI), we have lined up a host of distinguished national and international speakers to share their research and clinical insights.

A testament to the success of the meeting, we are adding an additional day to the CSF, giving you the opportunity to explore a truly spectacular scientific program that will explore the latest advances in surgical knowledge, techniques and technology. The program will feature numerous How I do it Video Sessions, clinical updates in several key areas and lectures from experts from around the world, who will share their research and clinical insights.

With a mix of keynote lectures, panel discussions, and interactive sessions, we want you to have a truly engaged meeting, where you spend time with colleagues and key opinion leaders from across Canada. Whether you are a seasoned surgeon or a trainee, the Canadian Surgery Forum 2023 will offer valuable educational experiences that will assuredly enhance your practice and lead to improved patient outcomes.

The forum will be held from September 20-23, 2023, at the Hyatt Regency and the Fairmont Vancouver Hotel, located in the heart of downtown Vancouver. This world-class facility offers state-of-the-art meeting rooms, exhibition spaces, and networking areas, as well as stunning views of the city, its mountains and the ocean.

In addition to the scientific program, the Canadian Surgery Forum has a strong focus on bringing the Canadian General Surgery community together. There will be numerous opportunities for socializing and networking throughout the meeting. The popular CSF Soirée will be at The Commodore, a truly iconic Vancouver venue. Each of the participating societies will also be hosting dinner events, allowing you to truly experience the amazing Vancouver food scene. By attending, you will have the chance to meet with colleagues, old and new, start new relationships, learn a lot, and enjoy the best that Vancouver has to offer.

The CSF is for many their favourite meeting. If you have come before, please mark the date and make travel plans! If you haven't come for some time, then join your colleagues from across Canada, so that we may learn and grow together, and strengthen our relationships.

Thank you for your consideration, and I hope to see you in Vancouver in 2023!

Sincerely,



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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Although CAGS has held an annual meeting since 1977, it was not until 2001, in Quebec City, that the Canadian Surgery Forum (CSF) was born. Today, the major participating surgical societies; CAGS, CSCRS, CATS, CSSO, CHPBA and CHS and minor participating societies; TAC and CON/CABPS work together to organize the largest surgical meeting in Canada. The Canadian Surgery Forum has become the premier surgical conference in Canada for general surgeons to gather, share their experiences and plan new ways to better the needs of their surgical societies.

Conference Goal

To foster communication among surgical subspecialties and to advance continuing professional development, clinical practice, education, research and public advocacy while providing members of the Canadian surgical community an opportunity to meet and network in a collegial fashion.

Conference Objectives

Learn.

Scientific and educational sessions are offered through interactive symposia, panel discussions, postgraduate courses, debates, plenary sessions, video sessions, and Meet the Fellowship Director.

Grow.

The Forum will bring together participating surgical societies, providing accredited continuing professional development, and the opportunity for dialogue on educational and research issues.

Network.

Meet other Canadian surgeons and residents and unwind with fun social events such as the Ethicon Suturing Challenge, and the always much anticipated CSF Soirée.

Save the Date

The Canadian Surgery Forum is coming to Vancouver, B.C. this year! This highly anticipated event will bring together leading local and international surgeons to share knowledge and expertise on the latest advancements and trends in surgery. From September 20-23, 2023 attendees will have the opportunity to attend academic sessions, engaging PG courses, and valuable networking events, all set against the stunning backdrop of Vancouver's scenic beauty. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to learn, grow, and network with colleagues from across the country! Mark your calendars now and get ready to register on May 26, 2023.

Travel & Accommodations

CSF organizers have secured discounted guest room rates at the host hotels; The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver and the Hyatt Regency located in the heart of downtown. All scientific programming is taking place at these locations. You can book your guest room by clicking on either of the custom links on the CSF website, canadiansurgeryforum.com. Please note: the discounted room rate has already been applied in this reservation system.

Deadline to reserve a guestroom at the discounted rate is August 30, 2023.



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

POSTGRADUATE COURSES

Tuesday, September 19

8:00 – 14:00

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
Colonoscopy CSI Course
Co-Chairs: Dr. David Pace and Dr. Husein Moloo

Wednesday, September 20

7:30 – 12:00

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery
Chest Wall Trauma
Chair: Dr. Sayf Gazala

7:30 – 16:30

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
Advanced Endoscopy Course
Dr. James Ellsmere, Dr. Jeff Hawel and Dr. Stephen Kelly

7:30 – 17:00

■ CAGS - General Surgery
CAGS General Course Review
Chair: Dr. Carolyn Nessim

8:00 – 12:30

■ CSSO - Surgical Oncology
Multidisciplinary Management of Breast Diseases
Co-Chairs: TBD

8:00 – 17:00

■ CAGS - General Surgery
STARTT Course
Dr. Lawrence Gillman

13:00 – 17:00

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery
Advanced Hernia Techniques
Chair: Dr. Fady Saleh

13:00 – 17:00

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery / CASCADES
Fundamentals of Sustainable Operating Rooms
Co-Chairs Dr. Husein Moloo and Nicole Simms

CONFERENCE PROGRAMMING

Thursday, September 21

7:45 – 9:45

CATS - Thoracic Surgery
Thoracic Surgery Engagement - Life Beyond Surgery
 Invited Speakers: Dr. Ikenna Okereke, Dr. Jane Lemaire, and Dr. Rachel Grimminck

8:00 – 9:45

CAGS - General Surgery
 Joint with CAGS - MIS/ CAGS - Community Surgery & CSCRS
I found a 1.2 cm Polyp - What do I do? Focused on Polypectomy Best Practices

CHPBA - HPB Surgery
 Joint with CSSO
Management of Neuroendocrine Tumours

CHS - Hernia Surgery
 Joint with CAGS
How I Do It Video Sessions: Open Tartan, E-Tep, etc.

CAGS - General Surgery
 Joint with CSSO
Update in Breast Cancer for the General Surgeon

10:00 – 10:45

CAGS - General Surgery
CAGS Williams Lecture
 Invited Speaker: Dr. Carrie Cunningham

11:00 – 12:30

CAGS - General Surgery
CAGS Paper Presentations

CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
 Joint with CAGS
How I do it Video Session: Anorectal Videos

CHPBA - HPB Surgery
 Joint with CAGS
How I Do It Video Session

CSSO - Surgical Oncology
Melanoma: Advances in Immunotherapy, Level III Axillary Dissection, In-transit Metastases, Regional Therapies

CATS - Thoracic Surgery
Pearson Invited Lecture and Esophageal Cancer Clinical Updates
 Invited Speaker: Dr. Nasser K. Altorki

CAGS - Trauma/ACS
 CAGS - ACS
Key Updates in Acute Care Surgery

14:00 – 15:30

CHPBA - HPB Surgery
 Joint with CAGS & ACS
Management of Pancreatitis in 2023

CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
MIS Clinical Updates

CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
Clinical Updates - Rectal Cancer: TNT/Local Excision

CATS - Thoracic Surgery
 Joint with CSSO & CAGS
How I do it Video Session: Gastric Cancer

CAGS - Rural/Community
Rural M&M Rounds

15:45 – 16:45

CATS - Thoracic Surgery
CATS Paper Session

CSSO - Surgical Oncology
 Joint with CSCRS, MIS & CAGS
Shibata Lecture: Lateral Pelvic Node Dissection
 Invited Speakers: Dr. Tsuyoshi Konishi

CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
Nightmares at Night

CAGS - Trauma/ACS
ACS Paper Session & Competition

17:00 – 18:00

CAGS - General Surgery
 Joint with CHS & CAGS - Global Surgery
Panel: Education and Collaborative Quality Improvement
 Invited Speakers: Dr. Jay Redan and Dr. Abebe Bekele.

CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS

CAGS - General Surgery

CAGS - Trauma/ACS

CAGS - Residents

CAGS - Rural/Community

CATS - Thoracic Surgery

CHPBA - HPB Surgery

CHS - Hernia Surgery

CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery

CSSO - Surgical Oncology

Food Breaks & Socials

18:00 – 20:00

CSF WELCOME
 Welcome Reception, Suturing Competition, Sponsor Awards & CGSF 40th Anniversary

19:00 – 23:00

CATS Cocktail

20:00 – 21:30

CAGS - Residents Social

CSCRS Dinner

CSSO Dinner

CONFERENCE PROGRAMMING

Friday, September 22

7:00 – 8:00

■ CAGS - General Surgery
CAGS-CGSF
Tech Solutions Competition

8:00 – 9:45

■ ■ CAGS - General Surgery
Joint with CSSO
How I do it video Session: Oncoplastic
Breast and Flaps for Skin Cancer

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery
STS Invited Lecture; Lung Cancer Tips
and Tricks
Invited Speakers: Dr. James Huang and
Dr. Isabelle Opitz

■ CHPBA - HPB Surgery
HPB Concept

■ CAGS - Residents
Tips and Tricks for Transition to Practice

■ CAGS - Trauma/ACS
ACS M&M Rounds

10:15 – 11:00

■ CAGS - General Surgery
CAGS Presidential Address and Awards

11:00 – 11:30

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery
CATS President's Lecture

11:15 – 12:30

■ CAGS - General Surgery
Surgical Education Session

■ ■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
Joint with CAGS
How I do it Video session: MIS/IBD:
Emergencies, Mobilisations and
Anastomoses

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
Bariatric Session

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery
Hernia Clinical/Difficult Cases

■ CHPBA - HPB Surgery
CHPBA Paper Sessions & Major Canadian
Contribution in the Past Year

■ ■ CAGS - Trauma/ACS
Joint with CAGS - Rural/Community
Alone in the Night

11:30 – 12:30

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery
ESTS Invited Speaker/
Mesothelioma Symposium
Invited Speaker: Dr. Isabelle Opitz

11:45 – 12:30

■ ■ CAGS - Residents
Joint CHPBA/CAGS - Residents
Resident Education and Entrustment

14:00 – 15:00

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
Gordon Lecture: Future Horizons in
CR Surgery
Invited Speaker: Dr. Susan Galandiuk

15:30 – 16:30

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
CSCRS Trial Session

15:30 – 17:00

■ ■ CAGS - General Surgery
Joint with CSSO
Complex Surgical Oncology Tumour Board

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery
Hernia Clinical Update

16:15 – 17:00

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
Eric Poulin Lecture
Invited Speaker: Dr. Ali Tavakkoli

■ CHPBA - HPB Surgery
William Wall Lecture
Invited Speaker: Dr. Rebecca Minter

17:15 – 18:00

■ CAGS - General Surgery
Gallie Lecture
Invited Speaker: Dr. David Suzuki

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS

■ CAGS - General Surgery

■ CAGS - Trauma/ACS

■ CAGS - Residents

■ CAGS - Rural/Community

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery

■ CHPBA - HPB Surgery

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery

■ CSSO - Surgical Oncology

Food Breaks & Socials

9:45 – 10:15

Health Break and Visit the Exhibit Hall

12:30 – 13:45

Lunch & Visit the Exhibit Hall

15:00 – 15:30

Health Break and Visit the Exhibit Hall

18:00 – 19:00

CAGS - Residents
Meet the Fellowship Program Director

19:00 – 22:00

CSF Soirée

CONFERENCE PROGRAMMING

Saturday, September 23

8:00 – 9:30

■ CAGS - General Surgery
CAGS Paper Session

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery
CSCRS Paper Session

■ CSSO - Surgical Oncology
CSSO Paper Session

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
MIS Paper Session

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery
CHS Paper Session

10:00 – 10:45

■ CAGS - Global Surgery
Global Surgery

10:00 – 11:30

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery
Mediastinum Symposium

11:00 – 11:45

■ UHN General surgery
Langer Lecture
Invited Speaker: Dr. Liane Feldman

13:15 – 14:00

■ CAGS - Hernia Surgery
Joint with CAGS
Surgeon as a Second Victim / Moral Injury
Invited Speaker: Dr. Haytham Kaafarani

14:15 – 15:00

■ CAGS - General Surgery
Women & Diversity Symposium

14:15 – 15:45

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
Joint with CAGS & CHS
How I do it Video Session: Solid Organ

■ CAGS - Residents
CSF Judges' Choice Awards/ CJS hosted
Session

■ CAGS - Trauma/ACS
Trauma Case Rounds

■ CAGS - General Surgery
How I do it Video Session: LSC
Splenectomy and Adrenalectomy

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS
Joint with CAGS
How I do it Video Session: Approaches to
Common Duct Stone

15:30 – 17:00

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery
CATS Cup & Awards

16:00 – 17:00

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery
CHS Residents Video Competition
Award

■ CAGS - Endoscopy/MIS

■ CAGS - General Surgery

■ CAGS - Trauma/ACS

■ CAGS - Residents

■ CAGS - Rural/Community

■ CATS - Thoracic Surgery

■ CHPBA - HPB Surgery

■ CHS - Hernia Surgery

■ CSCRS - Colorectal Surgery

■ CSSO - Surgical Oncology

Food Breaks & Socials

9:30 – 10:00

Health Break and Visit the Exhibit Hall

11:45 – 13:15

Lunch & Visit the Exhibit Hall & E-Poster

15:00 – 15:30

Toast to Dr. Sean Grondin

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 19

8:00 – 10:00

CAGS: CPD Committee Meeting

CAGS: Post-Graduate Education

8:00 – 12:00

CAGS: Provincial Reps Committee Meeting

10:00 – 12:00

■ CAGS: Rural Surgery Committee Meeting

12:00 – 13:00

CAGS: CAGS Executive Meeting

13:00 – 15:00

■ CAGS: CAGS Board of Directors Meeting

15:00 – 17:00

CAGS: CAGS Foundation meeting

17:00 – 19:00

CAGS: Membership Committee Meeting

18:00 – 20:00

CSF: CSF President Meeting - TBC

Wednesday, September 20

8:00 – 10:00

CHS: CHS Board Meeting

8:00 – 17:00

CAGS: Exam Committee Meeting

8:00 – 16:00

■ CAGS: Resident Research Retreat

12:00 – 17:00

■ Royal College Speciality Meeting:
General Surgery

16:00 – 17:00

■ CAGS: Resident Research Retreat Closing
Reception

17:30 – 18:30

■ CSSO - Surgical Oncology:
CaGCA General Assembly meeting

19:00 – 23:00

■ CATS: Executive meeting Business
Meeting/Dinner

Thursday, September 21

12:30 – 14:00

■ Royal College Speciality Meeting:
Thoracic Surgery

15:00 – 16:30

■ Royal College Speciality Meeting:
Surgical Oncology

Friday, September 22

14:00 – 15:00

■ CATS Annual General Meeting

15:00 – 17:00

■ Royal College Speciality Meeting:
Colorectal Surgery

16:30 – 17:00

■ CSCRS Annual General Meeting

18:00 – 18:30

■ CAGS Annual General Meeting

Saturday, September 23

15:30 – 17:30

■ CSSO Executive Meeting

■ CHPBA Annual General Meeting

16:00 – 17:30

CAGS: ACS Committee Meeting

