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The CUA exists to promote the highest standard of urologic care for Canadians and to advance the art and science of urology.



You will not want to miss what we believe is going to be the best annual meeting the Canadian Urological Association (CUA) has ever held. The meeting will take place in our country's largest metropolitan centre — Toronto — from June 24 to 27, one of the best times of year to visit this vibrant, multicultural, exciting city. Based on interest from our members and urology-associated industry, as well as the record number of abstract submissions, I have no doubt this will be a meeting to remember.

The scientific committee, chaired by Dr. Robert Siemens and Dr. Antonio Finelli, has arranged an innovative program with the meeting theme, "Improving the quality of urological care in Canada." International guests this year include:

- Dr. Stacy Loeb, Assistant Professor, Department of Urology and Department of Population Health, New York University
- Dr. David Penson, Hamilton and Howd Chair in Urologic Oncology; Professor and Chair, Department of Urologic Surgery; Director, Center for Surgical Quality and Outcomes Research, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Dr. Peter Pisters, President and CEO, University Health Network
- Dr. Peter Schlegel, James J. Colt Professor and Chairman, Department of Urology, Weill Cornell Medicine; Urologist-in-Chief, New York Presbyterian (Cornell)
- Dr. Rene Sotelo, Professor of Clinical Urology, USC Institute of Urology
- Dr. J. Brantley Thrasher, Professor, William L. Valk Chair, Department of Urology, University of Kansas Medical Center; Co-Director of Operative Services, University of Kansas Medical Center
- Dr. Jack Christian Winters, DH Eustis Reily Professor, Department of Urology and Gynecology, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center; Chairman, Department of Urology, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center; Vice Chancellor of Clinical Affairs, Interim CEO, LSU Health Sciences Center Healthcare Network
- Dr. Barry Kogan, Falk Chair in Urology Professor, Surgery and Pediatrics, Albany Medical College
- Dr. Christopher Chapple, Consultant Urological Surgeon, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust; Visiting Professor of Urology, Sheffield Hallam University; Honorary Professor of Urology, University of Sheffield; Secretary General, European Association of Urology
- Dr. Mark Speakman, Consultant Urological Surgeon, Musgrove Park Hospital

The program will stress an educational forum approach to learning, along with state-of-the-art lectures, while the best of Canadian research will be presented in a new poster presentation format. This year, the CUA is offering four accredited educational sessions and three hands-on courses, all free for members. Be on the lookout for promotion shortly and reserve your spot early, as space is limited (especially in the hands-on courses).

The social program, planned by Dr. Michael Leveridge and Dr. Dean Elterman, will highlight the best Toronto has to offer, with the Sunday Fun Night serving up a street party at Corus Quay. Toronto's finest food trucks will line up ready to serve good food and drinks right next to Sugar Beach. The banquet on Monday night will boast a farm-to-table theme and will feature performances by musical band, The Void.

The CUA meeting is geared to make us all the best urologists possible. The scientific program will be outstanding, the social events great fun, and the interaction and networking with colleagues invaluable. See you in Toronto!