



**Program for 47th Division of General Surgery Annual Assembly,
University of Toronto
Friday, May 10th, 2024
Delta Hotel Toronto (75 Lower Simcoe Street)**

Harbourfront Room – 2nd Floor

7:00-8:00 Breakfast with the Professor: Dennis Wigle (Closed-By Invitation Only)
Facilitator – Alexander Gregor

Soco Ballroom – 3rd Floor

7:15-8:00 Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00-8:15 Welcome
Sean Cleary, Bernard & Ryna Langer Chair, Division of General Surgery,
University of Toronto

8:15-9:15 Paper Session I
Chair-Mercedes Pilkington

Direct-Acting Antiviral Therapy Is Associated with Lower Mortality and Recurrence Rate in Hepatitis C-Virus Related Hepatocellular Carcinoma After Liver Resection: A Multicenter International Study

Presenter Woo Jin Choi

Acute Cholecystitis Management at A Tertiary Care Center: Are We Following Current Guidelines?

Presenter Andrea Spota

Lapbot-Safe Chole: Validation of An Artificial Intelligence-Powered Mobile Game App to Teach Safe Cholecystectomy

Presenter Muhammad Uzair Khalid

Selective Targeting of BET Family Epigenetic Regulators in Advanced and Metastatic Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma (Arms)

Presenter Anna Mandel

Characterizing The COVID-19 Related Backlog of Scheduled Colectomies for Diverticulitis and Resultant Implications on Emergency Interventions: A Population-Based Analysis

Presenter Teagan Telesnicki

9:15-9:35 Poster Session I
Judges – Danielle Bischof, Nicole Look Hong, Melanie Tsang & Dennis Wigle

9:35-9:45 Break

9:45-10:45 Paper Session II
Chair- Andras Fecso

Integrating Artificial Intelligence into Surgical Coaching: A Focus on Retraction Assessment in Total Mesorectal Excision

Presenter Takuto Yoshida

Impact of a Surgical Skills Workshop on Medical Students' Surgical Clerkship Rotation Preparation

Presenter Emily Lan-Vy Nguyen

Black-White Racial Inequalities in Quality Indicators in Colon Cancer Surgery: A Retrospective Cohort Study of The National Surgical Quality Improvement Program

Presenter Adom Bondzi-Simpson

Educational Value of a Novel Telestration Device for Surgical Coaching – A Randomized Controlled Trial

Presenter Parmiss Kiani

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

- 10:45-11:10** **Poster Session II**
Judges – Danielle Bischof, Nicole Look Hong, Megan Melland-Smith, Melanie Tsang & Dennis Wigle
- 11:10-11:15** **Break**
- 11:15-11:30** **Resident Awards**
Chair - Savtaj Brar
PGY1 - Professionalism Award
PGY2 - Scholar Award
PGY3 – Advocacy Award
- 11:30-12:30** **Remembrance of E. Bruce Tovee – Zane Cohen**
Introduction of Tovee Lecturer – Sean Cleary
- “Surgeons and Regenerative Biotherapeutics”**
Dennis Wigle
Associate Professor of Surgery,
Chair of the Division of Thoracic Surgery,
Mayo Clinic, Rochester
- 12:30-1:30** **Lunch**
- 12:30-1:30** **Fellows’ Graduation Ceremony**
Chair – Allan Okrainec
- 1:30-2:30** **“Surgical Leadership”**
Facilitator – Rebecca Gladdy
Symposium Panelists:
Najma Ahmed
Adom Bondi-Simpson
Andy Smith
Dennis Wigle
Frances Wright
- 2:30-2:45** **Break**
- 2:45-3:45** **Paper Session III – “Rapid Fire”**
Chair – David Lim
- 3:45-4:30** **State of the Union Address**
Sean Cleary
- Soco Foyer – 3rd Floor**
- 4:30-5:15** **Laparoscopic skills competition to choose CAGS/CSF champion**
Session Chair – Matthew Castello
- 4:30-5:30** **Cocktails/mocktails**
- Soco Ballroom – 3rd Floor**
- 5:30-8:00** **Evening Program and Graduation Dinner**
Master of Ceremonies – Sean Cleary
- 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 Rapid Fire Presentation
1st Place Poster Presentation
PGY4 Leadership Award
PGY5 Mentorship Award
Graduation Ceremony - Various presenters
Valedictory address – Jordyn Vernon
- 9:00** **Hunter’s Landing (82 Fort York Blvd)**