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President's Report



Dr. Sender Herschorn
President
Toronto, ON

This is a historic year for the CUA. Our organization has grown from having a strictly voluntary infrastructure to one with a Central Office in association with the SIU. This November we became a totally independent Association with our own headquarters.

The CUA is grateful to Andrée Bélanger, Executive Director, and her team consisting of Tiffany Pizioli, Director of the Office of Education; Nadia Pace, Project Manager; Josephine Sciortino, Editorial Director of CUAJ; and Huong Duong Nguyen, Financial Services/Membership Coordinator for ensuring that all of the functions of the CUA are continued without interruption. Andrée has been particularly effective in making sure that basic functions, such as the telephone and computer systems, are in place for a smooth transition.

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Revenue diversification: the order of the day



Dr. J. Stuart Oake
Treasurer
Ottawa, ON

Despite rapidly changing revenue streams, the CUA posted a healthy revenue-over-expenses of \$180 000 for the 2009/2010 financial year based on our audited financial statements. This is due to a well-planned Toronto 2009 meeting and also due to further revenue diversification strategies within the CUA in general.

Sponsorship revenue for our Annual Meetings continues on a downward trend and this is evident in the projections put forward during the PEI meeting. The CUA continues to diversify its revenue streams to allow us to maintain a healthy financial position despite

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We owe a debt of gratitude to Jerzy Gajewski who, during the past year as President, moved the organization forward. He promoted the Strategic Plan, initiated by Laurence Klotz in 2009, which consists of 7 main areas in which to develop and implement business plans:

1. Education
2. Advocacy
3. Publishing
4. Practice support
5. Member engagement
6. Sustainable funding
7. Having an organizational model

Jerzy also promoted the development of formal alliances with the European Association of Urology, through an Exchange Program to be initiated this spring, and with the Chinese Urological Association, the other CUA, with the establishment of the Norman Bethune Urologic Society.

The membership numbers of the CUA went from 838 to 888 in 2009 and most of the increase was in the Candidate member category. There are still challenges in encouraging these Candidate members to become full CUA members when they finish training. Another challenge is in soliciting more Quebec urologists to become CUA members (the proportion of urologists who are CUA members is lower in Quebec than in any other province). These issues stimulate us to make our Association more relevant and responsive to the needs of urologists in this country.

The CUASF with Gerry Brock, Chair of the Administrative Council, and Martin Gleave, Chair of the Scientific Council, continued the tradition of funding academic urologists at the beginning of their careers. This year, 3 CUASF scholarships were renewed and no new applications were received. While the funding model based on pharmaceutical support continues to be successful, other sources are being considered. CUASF funding is a key element in the initial support of so many of our urologists, and its success has been proven many times.

The CUA Office of Education with Peter Anderson, Vice-President-Education, and François Bénard, Chair CPD Committee, had another very successful year. The OE approved 17 programs, including the Annual Meeting and a variety of educational programs. Not only does the OE enhance the educational experience of members, the revenues generated through accreditation and other

activities contribute substantially to the bottom line of the Association. Of particular note is that the OE has received CME accreditor status by the Royal College for the next 5 years. On another note, Peter Anderson is stepping down next year as the first VP-Education. His imagination and innovative ideas were instrumental in making the OE a success.

Two very active committees are Patient Information, chaired by Ben Chew, and Guidelines, led by Hassan Razvi. Both of these committees continue to provide urologists with important information and support for their daily practice. Mike McCormack and the Information Technology Committee have very effectively kept the CUA website current and relevant. Last year, there were over 30 000 visits and another 30 000 to

UroInfo.ca, our patient information web site.

**November 2010
marks a major
milestone for
the CUA!**

The Annual Meeting in Charlottetown was a resounding scientific and social success. Ricardo Rendon and the Scientific Program Committee arranged 11 guest speakers and 8 educational forums. There were 280 abstracts and 90% were included in program in various sessions. Ian Reid, Mike Mulligan and the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) provided a unique and memorable program that

showcased island hospitality, culture and cuisine. More than 770 registrants attended the meeting.

The 2011 Annual Meeting will take place in Montreal on June 19-21 at the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth in the heart of this vibrant and historic city. Armen Aprikian and the Scientific Program Committee plan to have educational forums and outstanding speakers for state-of-the-art lectures. LOC Chairs, Serge Carrier and François Bénard, are planning a lively program that will include the Fun Night at Marché Bonsecours in Old Montreal.

Denis Lavoie, Secretary, and Stuart Oake, Treasurer, provide excellent and tireless support to the organization. While there have been financial challenges, the CUA is still in a robust and healthy position due to the dedication of these individuals and of the many others who voluntarily give their time. The mission of the CUA is to represent Canadian urologists and to foster the highest standard of urologic care in this country. The CUA is a dynamic organization that constantly evolves to fulfill its mission and goals. November 2010 marks a major milestone that we anticipate will be positive.

Stay tuned and get involved this year!

AGM 2010 in Charlottetown: News about our future



Dr. Denis Lavoie
Secretary
Vernon, BC

The Annual General meeting is a time for members to meet and learn about the business of the Association. These important meetings give the CUA Executive a chance to directly communicate with CUA members; we hope this information spurs each member to action to further the mandate of the Association. Each division and CUA committee presents a report on its activities over the past year and its plans for the coming year. The CUA Bylaws are amended as necessary and new Executives and Committee Chairs are elected, as required.

This year the main focus of our discussions had to do with our financial affairs. While the CUA remains on a solid fiscal footing, it is faced with the challenge of decreased corporate sponsorship. This has forced us to examine all our projects carefully and to ensure they are fiscally expedient without compromising the quality of our “products,” including the Annual Meeting, CUAJ, the Office of Education offerings and patient information brochures. Members of the Executive will continue to meet with our industry partners so that we may better understand their objectives and work together to achieve our respective and shared goals.

For several years, the CUA and the Société Internationale d’Urologie (SIU) have had a partnership at the Central Office in Montreal. This affiliation has allowed us to share our administrative infrastructure. Throughout this partnership, the CUA and the SIU have shared professional meeting planners, bookkeepers and others experts to address our respective needs. In the last year, particularly with the retirement of our shared Executive Secretary, Richard Bolton, it has become apparent that the directions of each organization were diverging to the extent that neither was ideally served by the current structure. At meetings with SIU representatives this spring, it was decided that our cost-sharing agreement would be terminated at the end of 2010. The CUA will develop its own dedicated Corporate Office. The shared Central Office personnel, especially Martine Coutu and Linda Drisdell, were thanked for their important contribution to our evolution.

As indicated in the spring 2010 edition of the CUA Newsletter, we engaged the services of executive search firm Odgers Berndtson to help us find a new Executive Director. This firm has assisted many Canadian medical organizations including the Royal College and the CMA. With the firm’s help, we outlined the roles and necessary skill sets of the new Executive Director. A long list of candidates was narrowed to 5 people who were interviewed by a search committee in Montreal in March 2010. At the end of this meticulous process, the committee selected Ms. Andrée Bélanger to be the new CUA Executive Director. She started her mandate in April 2010 and she has begun to address our challenges and lead our administrative team. We look forward to having her lend her expertise in creating the ideal administrative support to achieve our goals as laid out in the 2009-2014 Strategic Plan adopted last year.

In other AGM news, our Bylaws were amended to replace the Residency Affairs Committee with the Post-graduate Training Committee, with the same mandate and including the directive to address the needs of the growing number of post-residency fellows. The criteria of the Prize Essay competition were amended to focus on trainees and new certificants practicing or intending to practice in Canada.

The meeting concluded with the election of a new slate of Executives and Committee Chairs for 2010-11, including President Sender Herschorn, President-Elect Michael Chetner, Vice-President Joseph Chin, Executives-at-Large Chris Morash (Ontario) and Vladimir Kurgansky (Québec), Treasurer-Elect Anne-Marie Houle and Historian Shaun Robinson. Members who completed their terms of office were thanked for their contributions on behalf of our Members.



2010 Summer Executive Meeting

Dr. Denis Lavoie, Secretary | Vernon, BC

In late June, the CUA Executive came together on a sunny, warm Charlottetown day for our semi-annual meeting. President Jerzy Gajewski chaired the very busy meeting over 2 days. Progress on the various objectives set out in our 2009-2014 Strategic Plan was reported by each of the project leaders, with some areas having gone further than others. Notably, we have made important strides in building the administrative infrastructure necessary to best address our mandate. It has become apparent that the CUA has grown sufficiently to justify establishing our own dedicated Corporate Office to manage each division, including membership support, CUAJ and the Office of Education. As such, our cost-sharing agreement with the SIU will be terminated by mutual agreement before the end of 2010.

This year 2 separate initiatives were established to allow Canadian urologists greater opportunities for international exchange. The first initiative is with the European Association of Urology. The CUA signed an agreement with the EAU to facilitate educational exchanges between Europe and Canada. The second initiative is with the Norman Bethune Urologic Society, an association of Canadian and Chinese urologists. This society was formed to foster interaction and the sharing of experience and knowledge. The society was granted Affiliate status with the CUA.

An ad hoc Committee was created under the leadership of Dr. Keith Rourke of Edmonton to establish standards for a national undergraduate curriculum in urology to improve awareness of urological morbidity and increase exposure of undergraduates to our specialty. Dr. Tom Kinahan of Kelowna proposed the establishment of a

volunteer group to deliver urologic education and service in underdeveloped countries. He chaired an inaugural meeting during the Charlottetown conference, where the initiative was greeted enthusiastically.

In 2010, our membership increased to 888 (an increase of 50 members). Most new members fall into the category of Candidate members in training. We still face challenges in keeping our membership roster up-to-date particularly with members retiring from practice and residents and fellows whose mailing addresses are changed frequently. All members are encouraged to visit the Members Only section of our web site (www.cua.org) to ensure their profiles are current.

The new Annual Meeting Planning Committee, whose mandate is to plan our Annual Meeting with a longer term perspective, has met regularly over the last year. Without altering the congenial and social aspects of our meeting, we have modified its format and content to better address the needs of members and guests as expressed in our surveys and questionnaires. Plans are well underway for upcoming meetings in Montreal (2011), Banff (2012), Niagara Falls (2013) and St. John's (2014). We hope that you will be able to join us.

Exciting new projects being considered by the Executive include a Consumer's Guide to Urology book and a new web platform incorporating social networking for members and multimedia content. The CUA remains a vibrant and dynamic organization dedicated to promoting the highest standard of urologic care for Canadians and to advancing the art and science of urology (as outlined in the CUA Strategic Plan which can be viewed in the Members Only section of our web site). Your participation in our Committees, conferences and other activities is always welcomed.

Urology Meetings of Interest

December 3-4, 2010

Northwest Urological Society

57th Annual Scientific Conference

Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

Vancouver, BC

<http://www.nwuologicalsociety.org/>

March 3-6, 2011

Prairie Urological Association

46th Annual Meeting

Chateau Lake Louise

Lake Louise, AB

<http://www.urologyalberta.ca/pua-meetings.asp>

May 14-19, 2011

American Urological Association

Annual Meeting

Washington, DC

<http://www.aa2011.org/>

The Canadian Endourology Group is pleased to announce the 2010-2011 teleconference rounds.

These rounds are open to all CEG members and any other interested urologist, urology fellow or resident. Any hospital with telehealth capabilities should be able to connect to the telerounds.

The schedule for rounds is as follows:

January 19, 2011 from 4:30 to 6:00 PM EDT

Hosted by the University of Toronto

Topic: Management of ureteral strictures

April 6, 2011 from 4:30 to 6:00 PM EDT

Hosted by the University of Ottawa

Topic: TBA

Our first rounds were hosted very successfully by McGill University on Oct 14, with 10 centres from across the country participating.

For further questions, contact Kenneth Pace, President of CEG at kenneth.pace@utoronto.ca.



Greetings from
Charlottetown, PEI



2010 CUA Award

Congratulations to Dr. Jim Wilson for being the recipient for the 2010 CUA Award!



The CUA is proud to have presented the CUA Award to our colleague and friend Jim Wilson of Kingston, Ontario. Jim started his medical career at Queen's University, where he earned his undergraduate and medical degrees. After completing a research fellowship in urolithiasis at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, he returned to Queen's. He has been with the Department of Urology since 1983 and was promoted to Associate Professor in 1989. Jim has been known to say, "Life sentences mean different things to different people in Kingston." He was appointed Head of the Department of Urology in 1997, and sits on numerous governing and administrative committees with the Royal College and Council of Ontario Faculties of Medicine. He was President of the

Canadian Urological Association in 2001-02 and was elected Vice-President of the Northeastern Section of the American Urological Association in 2006.

He is a member of the CUA, AUA, OMA, CMA, Kingston Academy of Medicine, the American College of Surgeons, Endourological Society, the International Society of Urological Endoscopy, the Society of University Urologists, the Canadian Academy of Urologists, the Association of Surgical Education, the Société Internationale d'Urologie, the Canadian Urodynamics Professionals and the Royal Canadian College of Organists.

Jim & Jean have been married for 34 years and have two children Elizabeth and David and a granddaughter Kaye.

Congratulations Jim! Thank you for your important contribution to Canadian urology.

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this decline. We are continuing to pursue other initiatives, mostly within the Office of Education, that simultaneously align with our 5-year strategic plan; these initiatives continue to keep the CUA in a sound financial position and provide strong footing for future financial challenges.

The 2010/2011 year will see increased financial pressures due to our decision to move all administrative functions to our existing 13th floor office. The budget required for this move has been well thought out by the Finance Committee and is incorporated into our 2010/2011 CUA global budget. This budget, approved at the AGM in Charlottetown, is forecasting a modest deficit. The Finance Committee has worked hard and has committed to revenue diversification by investing in the infrastructure required to do so. The Finance Committee, along with CUA Executive, welcomes Huong Duong

Nguyen who has recently been engaged as Membership and Financial Services Coordinator. She joined our Corporate Office in Montreal on July 21, 2010 and has been active in her role since then.

During the Charlottetown AGM, Dr. Anne-Marie Houle was elected as Treasurer-Elect of the CUA for 2010/2011. The Finance Committee welcomes Anne-Marie and looks forward to her insights and active participation on the CUA Finance and Executive Committees.

The Finance Committee would like to acknowledge and thank Isabel Kolodny for her outstanding contribution to the CUA financial activities in the past. Her knowledge and efforts will be missed. Thanks go out to our accountant Sandy Wetstein of Neal, Pallett & Townsend for his ongoing support and interest in our Association.

CUA 2010 Scientific Program



Dr. Ricardo Rendon
Chair, CUA 2010 Scientific
Program
Halifax, NS

After a year of hard work and planning by the entire Scientific Program Committee, I am pleased to announce that the CUA 2010 Annual Meeting in Charlottetown can be considered, on all accounts, a great success. Over the past couple of months, I have received a lot of positive feedback regarding the program. I am delighted to hear that it was so well-received by delegates and guest speakers.

Of course, a large part of the program's success is due to the unmatched expertise and knowledge of our prominent guest speakers, such as Gerald Andriole (St. Louis, MO), David A. Diamond (Boston, MA), Christopher P. Evans (Sacramento, CA), E. Ann Gormley (Lebanon, NH), Abraham Morgentaler (Boston, MA), Margaret S. Pearle (Dallas, TX), Mack Roach, III (San Francisco, CA), Fred Saad (Montreal, QC), Urs E. Studer (Bern, Switzerland), Bryce Taylor (Toronto, ON) and Timothy J. Wilt (Minneapolis, MN).

Other valuable contributions came from the abstracts presented during the Moderated Poster, Podium, Video and Unmoderated Poster sessions. I would like to congratulate all the presenters on their work and encourage everyone to be ready for next year's abstract submission deadline of **January 14, 2011**.

Finally, while there are too many to list here, some highlights from the 2010 program include the Laparoscopic Skills Competition in the Exhibit Hall on Monday, June 28, hosted by Dr. Ken Pace and supported by our friends at Ethicon and Stryker, and the first-ever Urological Jeopardy Cup, coordinated and executed by Dr. Anil Kapoor. These 2 events were CUA-firsts and are sure to go down in Annual Meeting history.

Thank you all for taking part in CUA 2010; I hope to see you again next year in Montreal!

CUA 2010 Prize Essay Winners

Dr. Ricardo Rendon, Chair, CUA 2010 Prize Essay Committee | Halifax, NS

There were 10 submissions for the prize essay awards this year. The winners were:

Clinical Topic

Faysal A. Yafi

From the Department of Surgery (Urology),
McGill University, Montreal, QC

Title: Surveillance Guidelines Based on Recurrence
Patterns Following Radical Cystectomy for Bladder
Cancer: The Canadian Bladder Cancer Network
Experience

Basic Science Topic

Kilian M. Gust

From the Vancouver Prostate Centre, Vancouver, BC

Title: Altered Expression of Hedgehog Pathway
Intermediates in Clear Cell Renal Cell Carcinoma

Welcoming address from the new CUA Executive Director



Andrée Bélanger
CUA Executive Director
Montreal, QC

It is with great pleasure that I enter a new era in the CUA as your new Executive Director.

After several years of working at the senior management level, mainly in the education and not-for-profit sectors in Canada and abroad, I am confident that combining the extensive experience of the staff already in place, your enthusiasm and my expertise will create a successful organization.

The recent alliance with the SIU has in fact allowed the CUA to build a strong foundation for its administrative independence currently in effect. Special thanks to those who directly contributed, at all levels.

The road ahead is certainly full of challenges, but it is also one of endless opportunities: assuring a prosperous growth, improving and adding services to members, developing new revenue generators, supporting our personnel's productivity and initiatives with their respective projects, developing potential alliances, to name a few – all of this to better serve members. We will also pay careful attention to controlling expenditures in order to end the financial year on a positive note.

Since October, you have been able to access the 2011 Montreal Annual Meeting web site to reserve your room at the low rate of \$189 per night; as of now, you can submit your abstracts online. There will be additional updates in the next few weeks, so please visit the site regularly (cuameeting.org). We strongly encourage all of you to attend the next Annual Meeting in Montreal... you can't afford to miss this amazing meeting in an amazing city!

Looking forward to meeting you!

Refining how CUAJ is produced

Laurence Klotz, Editor-in-Chief | Toronto, ON

CUAJ is entering its 5th year. We have experienced a steady increase in our rate of submissions and now have an impact factor of 0.875 (an impact factor is a yearly measure reflecting the average number of citations to articles published in science and social science journals). CUAJ is the only Canadian urology journal with a registered impact factor.

Within the next month, we will be appointing an Associate Editor for the journal – this person will be working with me and Josephine Sciortino to ensure the smooth operation of the journal.

CUAJ has been a bimonthly print journal; as of early 2011, however, we will be publishing an online edition every other month. We will release articles online ahead of print (including the deposit with PubMed). This epub ahead of print option will allow us to disseminate important research to readers sooner, rather than wait for the print publication. We also reserve the option to publish these articles in the print edition at a later date. To do this, we will be instituting a digital

object identifier (DOI) number. This DOI will be unique to every article published in the journal (print and online). The DOI will be a persistent, reliable identifier for intellectual property online.



To support this electronic publishing model, we will be redesigning our web site to increase the journal's browsing capability and encourage online advertising. We will be using Open Journal Systems, a free software (developed by the Public Knowledge Project) designed to reduce the time and energy devoted to the clerical and managerial tasks associated with editing a journal and improve the journal's efficiency. OJS will relieve the editorial office of many time-consuming administrative tasks. The software will also allow authors to submit their manuscripts online and view the status of their submission.

The financial growth of the CUAJ is an important part of its operations. We continue to encourage members to place their advertising with CUAJ/CUA web sites. We are looking at options to increase advertising support through non-pharmaceutical partners. The new CUA Executive Director is applying her expertise to this area.

Update from the OE



Dr. Peter Anderson
Vice-President, Education
Halifax, NS

The Office of Education has achieved a solid reputation in organizing and executing educational events for its members. As such, after the PEI meeting, the OE was given the mandate to oversee the management of future Annual Meetings. The planning for next year's meeting in Montreal has been running smoothly under the direction of Tiffany Pizioli, with project management support from Nadia Pace. Local Organizing Committee Chairs, Serge Carrier and Francois B nard, as well as Scientific Committee Chair, Armen Aprikian, will be ensuring that the event is a social and educational success.



To execute the logistics of the meeting, a Professional Congress Organizer has been hired: IS Solutions. Their president, Isabel Stengler, has worked alongside former CUA President Luc Valiquette and helped with the organization of the 2003 Annual Meeting in Montreal. We are confident that the CUA 2011 meeting will continue our tradition of being a highly successful and memorable event - mark your calendar now: June 19-21, 2011! For more information regarding the Annual Meeting visit www.cuameeting.org

Last year in Charlottetown, the OE organized the 3rd Canadian Senior Urology Residents (CSUR) Meeting. The event was held at the Brudenell River Resort in nearby Charlottetown and the course, chaired by Dr. Jerzy Gajewski and Dr. Greg Bailly, dealt with urodynamics. The senior residents appreciated this opportunity to come together with their counterparts, while interacting with experienced urologists and exchanging ideas on current educational issues (as evidenced by their letters below).

Dear Nadia,

Thank you again for putting on such a wonderful laparoscopy course. I can only imagine all the time and effort that went into its organization. Thank you for including me in the course.

Dr. Kevin Zorn

Dr. Anderson,

I am writing to express my appreciation for the recent Canadian Senior Resident Course that I attended just prior to the CUA meeting. Nadia and Tiffany did a masterful job in coordinating an academic and social agenda that was well received by all that attended.

It was a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with the other senior residents across the country and share experiences and plans. I'm sure that in the year ahead, these connections will be invaluable during our preparation for the exam. Moreover, it is these residents that will be my contemporaries and creating friendships early can only help to foster collaborative efforts in the years to come.

So again, thank you and the CUA Office of Education for supporting this endeavor and hope that it continues to be a component of the annual meeting.

With kind regards,

Lee Jonat
PGY-4 (5 tomorrow!)
UBC

For the 3rd consecutive year, the OE organized a Laparoscopy Course at the University of PEI. The Course on Basic and Advanced Urology Laparoscopy Skills was chaired by Dr. Walid Farhat and Dr. Scott Bagnell. The Course proved to be an invaluable learning opportunity, appreciated by all of those who attended.

The OE is currently working with Dr. Michael Jewett to organize the 3rd Canadian Kidney Cancer Forum from January 19-22, 2011. This event will be held in conjunction with a survivorship meeting with a focus on bladder, kidney, prostate and testis cancer. We expect a large turnout with industry support from all the major companies to be hosted at the Kingbridge Centre in Toronto, Ontario.

Another area that continues to thrive is the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) accreditation responsibility of the OE. The CUA received a stellar report from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC), with a mandate to accredit educational events on behalf of the Royal College for a further 5 years. The OE has become the central place for accredited projects from industry, as well as some staple meetings for our members.

The OE is equally pleased to have developed and launched an online CPD program entitled Clinical Insights in Male Genitourinary Health. The online program is comprised of 3 modules: prostate cancer, erectile dysfunction, and premature ejaculation. In each of these sections, a Canadian expert addresses frequently asked questions about these male urological and sexual health issues. Upon completion of the 3 modules, clinicians will be able to formulate up-to-date clinical management strategies for their patients.

To take part in this program, visit the CUA web site (cua.org):

Step 1: Go to the Members Only Section and log in

Step 2: Click the CPD/CME Tab

Step 3: Click on www.cimgh.ca and begin the program

The program is an Accredited Self Assessment Program Learning Activity (Section 3), as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the RCPSC and is approved by the CUA CPD Committee. In the next few months, the CUA will add 2 new modules; OAB and LUTS/BPH – stay tuned!

Another excellent piece of news is that as of January 2010, the CUA can assign AMA PRA Category 1 credits to group learning (Section 1) activities that we have

developed, which will be of interest to our American-based members. In September 2010, OE Director, Tiffany Pizioli, and I travelled to Washington, DC to meet with the AUA Office of Education Director and staff. This meeting provided lots of insight into ways the CUA can continue to educate its members and better serve the urological community.

Finally, please note that my term as Vice-President Education will come to an end in June 2011; if

this Executive position is of interest to you, please do not hesitate to contact me to learn more about it at vpeducation@cua.org.



CSUR supper at the Rodd Brudenell Resort, PEI.



Laparoscopy course at the University of PEI Atlantic Veterinary College.

A message from the Scientific Program Chair



Dr. Armen Aprikian
Chair, 2011 Scientific Program
Montreal, QC

Since the end of this year's PEI meeting, the 2011 Scientific Program Committee of the CUA has been busy putting together a program that promises to deliver the latest advances in urology. Through keynote presentations, plenary sessions and interactive educational forums, the scientific sessions will highlight original urological research. The inaugural Laparoscopic Skills Competition and the Urological Jeopardy were great successes! We will offer delegates an encore!

The 66th Annual Meeting of the CUA will deliver an outstanding Scientific Program with a stellar cast of invited speakers including: **W. Marston Linehan** from the National Cancer Institute in Maryland; **Christopher Chapple**, Professor of Urology at the Sheffield teaching hospitals; **Peter Scardino** from the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center; **Christopher S. Cooper**, Director of Pediatric Urology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics; **Laurence Stein**, Chief of Diagnostic Radiology at the Royal Victoria Hospital and Associate Professor of Radiology at McGill University; and **Elsbeth McDougall**, Professor of Urology, Director, Surgical Education Institute and Chair of the AUA Office of Education.

Abstract Submission Deadline: Friday, January 14, 2011

CUA 2011 Scientific Program Committee
Chair, Dr. Armen Aprikian, Montreal, QC

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Dr. Ricardo Rendon, Halifax, NS
Dr. Anil Kapoor, Hamilton, ON
Dr. Jay C. Lee, Calgary, AB
Dr. Le Mai Tu, Sherbrooke, QC

Online submission of abstracts is now open!
cuameeting.org

(you do not need your CUA log-in information)

Nomination process for the CUA



Dr. Jerzy Gajewski
Chair, Nominating Committee
Halifax, NS

As Past-President of the CUA, I chair the Nominating Committee for 2011. The Committee has the responsibility to ensure that all positions on the CUA Executive are filled. The Nominating Committee would appreciate names of CUA Active Members who would be willing and able to fill the positions that are open. The Committee will be responsible for asking the individual if he/she is willing to serve the Association. All individuals that are presented to the Nominating Committee will be carefully considered. However, not all of those suggested will have their names appear on the slate of nominees, as the Nominating Committee is charged with recommending a single individual for each position. In those situations in which the Nominating Committee cannot agree on a single individual, a recommendation will be made at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) that a vote takes place to fill the position. According to the Bylaws of the CUA, nominations may be received from the floor of the AGM as well.

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Nominations open for 2011

Vice-President (President for 2013-14)/1-year term
To replace Dr. Joe Chin

Vice-President Education/4-year term
To replace Dr. Peter Anderson

Secretary-Elect/1-year term

Executive-at-Large, British Columbia/3-year term
To replace Dr. Ryan Paterson

Chair, Continuing Professional Development/5-year term
To replace Dr. François Bénard

CUASF Negotiates with TD for Preferred Client Status



Dr. Rob Siemens
CUASF Administrative Council
Kingston, ON

As the newly elected Administrative Chair of the CUA Scholarship Foundation (CUASF), I would like to acknowledge and thank our previous Chair, Gerry Brock, for his dedication to the CUASF over the last few years. In spite of a few rocky periods on the investment front, the CUASF continues to be in a very solid fiscal position, aided in large part by insightful financial advice. For the last number of years, the CUASF has been in a position to fund between 5 and 8 grants of \$40,000 annually to deserving young researchers and clinicians. This year's CUASF Scholars are: Dr. Yves Caumartin, Laval University; Dr. Vincent Fradet, Laval University; and Dr. Alp Sener, University of Western Ontario.

The CUASF plays a vital role enabling young clinical researcher to get their foot in the door with respect to peer-reviewed support and financial backing early in their careers. CUA members should be proud of what our Association has accomplished over the past couple of decades, even though the long-term goal for the CUASF (complete financial independence to provide awards based on investment returns alone) has not quite yet been achieved.

The financial landscape, as well as restrictions on industry relations with the CUA, will likely make our overall financial goals challenging over the next few years. Gerry Brock and the CUA Finance Committee have explored the feasibility of non-traditional partnering beyond the pharmaceutical industry. At the recent CUA Annual Meeting in PEI, the CUASF Administrative Council announced an exciting partnership with the TD Bank and TD Private Investment Counsel. The idea arose from the stable returns the CUASF investment accounts produced over the past 5 years, in spite of turbulent markets, and the need to generate adequate cash flows to cover grants each year. Additionally, our younger members, whose practices are still growing and who have limited financial experience and resources, typically are expected to pay the highest management fees on their accounts (typically 1.35%). The TD-CUA agreement allows for the management fees for these accounts to be reduced by more than half! In summary, here is what this TD-CUA partnership provides to CUA members:

- World-class investment advice as a preferred client at a fraction of the usual cost (a reduction of 50-75%).
- Access to a senior TD portfolio manager.
- Complete confidentiality from the CUA, as our only role will be to introduce you to the investment team and ensure you receive the highly discounted service fees.
- Preferred client status with TD, from the start, even if you invest just a modest amount.

Networking CUA-style

Dr. Michael McCormack Chair, Information Technology Committee | Montreal, QC

Just a few years ago browsing the Internet was a rather "passive" experience and users would go from site to site to find information. This, of course, was an extraordinary and revolutionary event in itself. However, the Internet is evolving and social interaction is becoming an important aspect of how we use the Internet. Think of Facebook, Google Maps, Twitter and many more interactive web sites. This trend towards online interaction has been referred to as Web 2.0.

According to Wikipedia "the term Web 2.0 is commonly associated with web applications that facilitate interactive information sharing, interoperability, user-centered design, and collaboration on the World Wide Web."

The CUA Executive and the CUA IT Committee are looking into the possibility of transforming the CUA website into such a community experience. What exactly could this represent for CUA members?

A community-oriented web site could involve sharing documents, Wikis, photo galleries, blogs, forums, polls and groups spaces. For example, CUA members sharing a common scientific, social or administrative interest could meet online and exchange ideas on topics that are important to them. It would become much easier for CUA members to voice ideas and opinions. It would also be possible for members to tailor the news they receive. Members might even opt to get the CUA Newsletter or even CUAJ on their iPhone or Blackberries.

Such a community-oriented web site would not only give CUA members an added benefit to their membership, but more importantly, help create and maintain a true sense of belonging to the CUA.

Sound interesting? Any suggestions or comments? Feel free to email the IT Committee at corporate.office@cua.org



Canadian volunteers in urology: Get involved!

Dr. Tom Kinahan, Kelowna, BC; and Dr. Kourosh Afshar, Vancouver, BC

The idea of CUA members volunteering overseas got off to a great start in Charlottetown this June at the 65th annual CUA Annual Meeting. We would like to thank the CUA Executive for its support with our survey and for its provision of a room and refreshments during the busy conference. We were delighted to have about 30 attendees to the first-ever organizational meeting. It was a great meeting, with a brief presentation about opportunities and experiences, followed by a lively dialogue. As of February 2010, CUA members have begun to respond to the online survey (the survey remains open at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MC6JYHP>). The final results of the survey will be published in CUAJ. So far, the results indicate that there is an immense interest among Canadian urologists in giving their time for urology-specific volunteer opportunities. Many of the over 50 respondents have a wealth of previous experience and were keen to help with future projects.

From this experience, we will develop a committee of interested and experienced members, and will compile a list of potential volunteers. Essentially, the group in Charlottetown felt that we should work to develop sustainable urology teaching programs in areas where there

appears to be a great demand, to try to work alongside some groups, such as the Canadian Network for International Surgery, to develop standardized teaching approaches, and to nurture great relationships which have been created by previous missions in order to initiate new projects. There was a general feeling that our group should remain independent, but be affiliated with and sponsored by the CUA. This decision was preferred because we have are a group with a unique Canadian perspective, rather than a general volunteering group. This is the model has been successful with the International Volunteers in Urology, founded by Dr. Catherine DeVries from Utah and supported by the AUA.

While this is all very exciting, members recognized that there will be a tremendous effort required to get the even the simplest trip underway, so our first efforts are organizational. We plan another meeting at the next CUA Annual Meeting in Montreal; we will be working away in the background in the meantime. Again, any and all members are welcome to join, and the survey remains open if you haven't yet had a chance to respond. You can also email us at dr.tkinahan@shawcable.com.

Increasing the scope of CUA Guidelines



Dr. Hassan Razvi
Chair, CUA Guidelines Committee
London, ON

As Chair of the Guidelines Committee I would like to thank the two departing members, Anil Kapoor and Marie-Paule Jammal for their hard work and commitment. I would also like to extend a welcome to our new members Chris Morash and Vladimir Kurgansky, who will join John Dushinski, Ryan Paterson and Greg Baily completing the make-up of this year's committee.

At the CUA Annual Meeting this past June, the following 4 new guidelines were formally approved and subsequently published in CUAJ:

1. Hormone Refractory Prostate Cancer
2. BPH
3. Metabolic Stone Disease
4. Vasectomy Care

With the approval of these topics, this now brings the total of updated guidelines to 16, all of which are available to members on the CUA web site. A wide variety of clinical subjects in adult and pediatric urology are covered.

During the upcoming year, the following subjects are being developed as formal guideline documents for approval at next year's CUA meeting in Montreal.

1. Prostate Cancer Screening
2. Adrenal Incidentaloma
3. Small Renal Mass
4. Prostate Cancer: Active Surveillance
5. Premature Ejaculation
6. Prostatitis
7. Antibiotic Prophylaxis
8. Update on Incontinence
9. Recurrent UTIs in Women

As these draft guidelines are completed, they will be posted on the web site. I encourage all CUA members to visit the site and give us feedback. We also welcome ideas from members for future guideline development.

PIC: Continuing to serve your patients



Dr. Ben Chew
Chair, Patient Information
Committee
Vancouver, BC

The Patient Information Committee (PIC) of the CUA continues to produce 50 brochures in French and English. These brochures are free to members for patient distribution. The website www.uroinfo.ca continues to receive a lot of hits and visits from our patients. The website also includes valuable links to external websites your patients will find useful. Patient brochures can be ordered or printed online in the members' section at www.cua.org.

Current members of PIC include: Steven Lapointe, Montreal, QC; Jay Lee, Calgary, AB; Ben Chew, Vancouver, BC; Rob Siemens, Kingston, ON; Troy Sitland, Moncton NB; Tom Whelan, St. John, NB; and Karen Psooy, Winnipeg, MB.

We are publishing 5 brochures that were previously distributed by the Canadian Prostate Health Council on BPH, PSA, Prostatitis, Prostate Cancer Prevention, and Active Surveillance of Prostate Cancer; these will be ready for distribution in early 2011. Stay tuned for them on the web site.

We trust that you continue to find this CUA service beneficial to your patients. As always, your comments or suggestions regarding these brochures are welcome.

To keep your CUA profile current and to continue to receive this newsletter, CUAJ and other CUA notifications, please advise us of any address changes.

You can do this in 1 of 2 ways:

1. Update your profile online at cua.org
2. Email the CUA office at corporate.office@cua.org

AUA Accolades for CUA members

Distinguished Service Award: Dr. S. Larry Goldenberg

The AUA recognizes Dr. Goldenberg for his outstanding contributions to the goals of the Association and promotion of public awareness of prostate cancer. Dr. Goldenberg is the founding Director of the Vancouver Prostate Centre, and is Professor and Head of the Department of Urologic Sciences at University of British Columbia. His award-winning work has attracted nearly 60 research grants. In 1990 he authored the first book written for the lay person, entitled "Prostate Cancer-All You Need to Know to Take an Active Part in Your Treatment", currently in its 4th edition. Dr. Goldenberg has served as President of the AUA Western Section, the NorthWest Urological Association, the Canadian Academy of Urologic Surgeons and the Canadian Urological Association. He has served as a member of the AUA Practice Guidelines Committee and Treatment of Localized Prostate Cancer Update Guideline Panel, and is currently a member of the AUA Practice Guidelines Committee and Treatment of Localized Prostate Cancer Update Guideline Panel, and is currently a member of the AUA Male Health Committee. **Congratulations Larry!**

Gold Cystoscope Award: Dr. Patrick P.W. Luke

The AUA recognizes Dr. Luke for his outstanding work in the basic science and clinical advancement of kidney transplantation. Dr. Luke is an Associate Professor of Surgery and the Co-director of the Multi-organ Transplant Program at the London Health Sciences Centre in Canada, where he has been an attending surgeon since 2000.

He has made extraordinary contributions to urology in the area of kidney transplantation with his clinical research in kidney/pancreas transplantation and advanced surgical techniques. His basic science research involves immunotherapy as well as organ preservation and optimization after transplantation. Dr. Luke has published more than 75 peer-reviewed articles and eight book chapters, in addition to presenting more than 50 invited lectures. He was selected as one of Canada's "Top 40 Under 40" by Caldwell Partners' and the Globe and Mail in 2005. **Bravo Patrick!**

CUA Membership Status

CUA continues to grow thanks to the support
of our members.

Congratulations to the following new CUA members!

Active members

Scott Bagnell
Kenneth Beasley
Christopher Borth
Yves Caumartin
Timothy Davies
Tom Deklaj
Michael Kogan
Tara Moskalyk
Frank Papanikolaou
Genevieve Patry
Pelletier Cameron
Steven Schieman
Jeffery Warren

Senior members

Randall Abele
Blair Amundsen
Rashmi Desai
Michael Robinette
Conrad Toni
Punnamkuzhil C. Punnen

Candidate members

Al'a Abdo
Alym Abdullah
Matthew Acker
Ali Alzaharani
Keith Barrett
Mathieu Carriere
Michelle Chang
Abdalli Ali Deb
Orchidee Djahangirian
Kirsten Foell
Ellen Forbers
Arash Gharajeh
Nicole Golda
Nathan Hoag
Jill Hudson
Zachary Klinghoffer
Evan Kovac
Jason Kovac
Kevin Kwan
Megan Cara Melynk
Jasmir Nayak

Michael Ogan
Devin Pugsley
Harvey Quon
Kenneth Rent
Michael Robinson
Neal Rowe
Raj Sakunasivam
Adeel Sheikh
Paul Jeremy Toren
Gregory Thomas Trottier
Bryce Weber
Joshua Daniel Wiesenthal
Faysal Yafi
Christopher Zappavigna

Associate member

Shabbir Alibhai

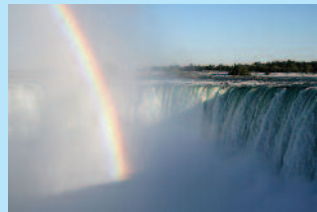
Future CUA Meetings



2011 - June 19-21
Montreal, Quebec



2012 - June 23-26
Banff, Alberta



2013 - June 22-25
Niagara Falls, Ontario



2014 - June 21-24
St. John's, Newfoundland