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President's Message



Dr. Stuart Oake
President
Ottawa, ON

The Canadian Urological Association continues to grow and diversify under the corporate structure of four divisions: the Office of Education, the Canadian Urological Association Journal, the Annual Meeting and the Corporate Office. These divisions have each developed and matured over the last 5 years. It is this corporate

structure that has allowed the CUA to adapt to ever changing external environmental forces.

The core value that the CUA holds as its highest priority is "being relevant to the membership". Over the years, multiple needs-assessments have been conducted and we have recently completed our new 5-Year Strategic Plan. This Strategic Plan will guide our Association over the next 5 years.

The crafting of the Strategic Plan involved input and feedback from many CUA members from across a wide variation of membership demographics. We have identified four priorities that lead our Strategic Plan: increasing membership engagement, to be the voice of urology in public and health policy, to become the preeminent urologic resource for patients and health professionals, and to maintain financial sustainability. The CUA is committed to this plan both from a man-hour and financial perspective. I encourage all members to read the document and become involved in the execution of our plan.

The Board of the CUA will be working behind the scenes to enact an action plan that will implement our priorities as outlined in the Strategic Plan. I thank all Board members for volunteering their time in order to allow the CUA to grow. All activities of the CUA are supported by a highly committed Corporate Office staff led by Tiffany Pizioli. Thanks to all office staff for your dedicated hard work. 🍁

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Message from the Treasurer



Dr. Anne-Marie Houle
Treasurer
Montreal, QC

With a greater number of products now generic in the urology arena in Canada, and with more coming in the next few quarters, the pressures exist for major pharmaceutical companies to reduce spending on urology meetings. This is intensified by the constant demand from companies to justify their return on investment (ROI). As with other Associations, the CUA is aware that this environment poses a threat for maintenance of the same level of services and value for their members. Despite this challenging financial context the CUA has succeeded in continuing its growth. It is illustrated by an impressive excess of revenue over operational expenses of \$793,344 in April 2014 compared to \$437,861 in April 2013.

This healthy increase in the bottom line of the Association will be reinvested into the CUA to create more value for its members and to support initiatives of the Strategic Plan 2014-2019. In addition, it will be applied to the CUASF for advancement of the science of urology. Three divisions of the CUA Office (CUAJ, the OE and Annual Meeting), continue to remain financially healthy with strong surpluses. With support from our Corporate Sponsors, the CUA remains financially sound and in a position to serve the needs of its members.

This year will be my last year as your Treasurer. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve this prominent Association and you, its members. I would like to thank the Board for its support and encouragement during my 4 year term. I take this opportunity to welcome Dr. Ricardo Rendon who will serve as Treasurer-Elect in the coming year in preparation for his role as Treasurer in June 2015. I am confident that as I hand over the financial reins the CUA will be in good hands. It will continue to function as the “go to” organization for the advancement of urologic health in Canada. 🍁



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Secretary's Report



Dr. Karen Psooy
Secretary
Winnipeg, MB

2014 CUA Summer Executive/Board Meeting and CUA & CUASF Annual General Meeting (AGM) Highlights

- The **2014-2019 CUA Strategic Plan** was presented to the Membership at the AGM. Following a motion for a minor modification to the “Statement of Purpose”, the version was finalized. It is available for viewing on the “Documents” page of the “Members Only” webpage (www.cua.org)
- As the CUA strives to consider the views and needs of all Members, plans are underway to formalize a new CUA Standing Committee consisting exclusively of Community-focused members
- **Membership** continues to grow with the ratification of 94 new Members
- The **Endorsement Committee** has been active, with many requests for endorsement and renewal. With all these requests, the Committee will consider whether there should be more formal guidelines on the criteria for CUA endorsement
- As per the Corporations Canada *Not for Profit Act*, the CUA and CUASF were required to apply to continue as corporations. This involved not only filling out the applications (“Articles of Continuance”), but rewriting both sets of By-laws in a manner compliant with *the Act*. These documents were presented at the AGM for approval, along with the first edition of the CUA Policy Book. This has been a two-year, labor-intensive project for the **CUA By-laws Committee** and **CUASF Board**, and appreciation of this work was shown by the Membership through a round of applause. I am pleased to report that the CUA and CUASF were both issued a “Certificate of Continuance” on July 16, 2014! The 2014 CUA & CUASF By-laws and 2014 CUA Policy Book are available for viewing on the “Documents” page of the “Members Only” webpage.
- The **Awards Committee** elected to honor Dr. Jerzy Gajewski (Halifax NS) with a CUA Award
- Our **Historian** continues forward with the goal of organizing and archiving our records, as we head toward our 70th Anniversary in 2015



Past-President Dr. Jerzy Gajewski taken by surprise when the CUA Award was bestowed upon him

- An updated version of the CUA Guideline “Sports & the Solitary Kidney” was the first CUA Guideline to undergo the new process of approval, which involves final approval by the CUA Board following an opportunity for Membership on-line review and comments. Several other Guidelines are expected to enter the approval process shortly. The **Guidelines Committee** is considering partnering with the AUA on a “Recurrent UTI” guideline
- The **Socioeconomics Committee** sought to determine if new recruits had similar access to resources as established urologists. Obtaining accurate data regarding resources and manpower continues to be a challenge. In accordance with the 2014 CUA Strategic Plan, the direction of this committee will change, with a focus on health policy
- The **Continuing Professional Development Committee** continues to be active, having accredited 25 programs in 2014 as of June, contributing to the success of the Office of Education
- The **Post Graduate Training Committee** has offered “Urology” to be an early adopter of the RCPSC’s new curriculum of Competency Based Medical Education (CBME). A survey was recently sent to Membership to identify the milestones Canadian urologists feel must be met by trainees

Interested in becoming more involved in the CUA?

If you would like to become more involved with the CUA by becoming a committee member? Please contact the office (corporate.office@cua.org) and let us know

Wondering how to contact your fellow CUA Members?

Please use the CUA Member Directory within the “Members Only” webpage 🍁

Members without Contact Information - Your Help Requested

The number of members for whom we have lost contact is down, however, a few persist. Your help would be most appreciated. If you have any contact information on these members, please email the CUA Secretary at secretary@cuu.org or phone Ms. Denise Toner at (514) 395-0376, ext. 42.

Member	Category	Identifying clues	Last sighting
Dr. Denise Arsenault	Inactive	Retired Urologist	Montreal, QC
Dr. John L. Bishop	Senior	Retired Urologist	—
Dr. J.J. Bourgouin	Senior	Retired Urologist	—
Dr. Barry W. Cook	Senior	Retired Urologist	—
Dr. Leonard Cox	Senior	Retired Urologist	—
Dr. Peter O. Crassweller	Senior	Retired Urologist	Port Carling, ON
Dr. A. Emerson Dunphy	Associate	—	Ingonish, NS
Dr. Mark Hares	Senior	Retired Urologist	Timmins, ON
Dr. William F. Harvey	Senior	Retired Urologist	Etobicoke ON
Dr. William Jacobson	Associate	—	—
Dr. Richard W. Johnson	Associate	MD	—
Dr. G. Gary Mackie	Senior	Ped Urologist/Surgeon	Orange, CA
Dr. David A. McLeod	Senior	Urologist	Washington, DC
Dr. Bernard B. Robinson	Senior	Urologist	—
Dr. Wen-Rong Sun	Associate	—	Tianjin, China
Dr. John A. Webster	Senior	Retired Urologist	Yarmouth, NS
Dr. Malcolm L. Wilson	Inactive	—	Kelowna, BC
Dr. Jae-Hyuk Yoo	Associate	—	Vancouver, BC

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Update from the CUASF



Dr. Ricardo Rendon
Chair, CUASF Administrative
Council
Halifax, NS



The Canadian Urological Association Scholarship Fund (CUASF) was established in 1973 as a means of supporting promising Canadian urologic researchers, and therefore to facilitate Canadian Urology research productivity. This early career award plays a vital role within our organization, enabling young clinical researchers to get their foot in the door with respect to peer-reviewed support and financial backing at a critical point in their careers. This year, four applications were selected to receive the CUASF Academic-based Research Award. 🍁



Dr. Ricardo Rendon and Dr. Duane Hickling

Duane Hickling

Ottawa Hospital Research Institute

LL-37 urinary catheter coating for the prevention of infectious and non-infectious catheter-associated complications

Melissa Keays

University of Ottawa

Improving Outcomes for Children with Hypospadias: Focus on What Matters to Patients and Families

Jason Lee

St Michael's Hospital, Division of Urology

Canadian Urology Trainee (CUT) Laparoscopic Skills Assessment Study – Developing Milestones for Competency-based Training

Paul Toren

University of British Columbia

Targeting the interplay between cholesterol and Akt signaling in prostate cancer



Dr. Ricardo Rendon and Dr. Melissa Keays

The deadline to apply for the 2015 CUASF Academic-based research award program is March 1, 2015.

2014 CUA Astellas Grant Recipients Announced



The Canadian Urological Association and Astellas Pharma Canada, Inc. are proud to announce the recipients of the third annual CUA Astellas Research Grant Program. The CUA Astellas Research Grant Program was created in 2011 to support peer-reviewed research that promotes excellence in Urology research with the ultimate goal of improving patient care. The following award recipients were selected from a large applicant pool in 2014:

Luis Braga

McMaster University

Continuous Antibiotic Prophylaxis versus Placebo in infants diagnosed with Primary Megaureter: A prospective, randomized controlled trial

Dirk Lange

University of British Columbia

Identifying Differences in the Intestinal Microbial Composition Between Patients with Recurrent Kidney Stone Disease and Non-Stone Forming Controls

Andrea Lantz

Dalhousie University

Ureteral stent-related pain and mirabegron (SPAM) trial



From left to right: Dr. Ricardo Rendon, Dr. Andrea Lantz and Michael Tremblay

The Canadian researchers awarded with CUA-Astellas research grants have exceptional ideas that have the potential to make significant contributions to the lives of patients and the urological medical community. Over the past two years, the substantial contributions of past recipients are already having a remarkable impact on improving understanding and treatment of functional urological conditions.

Three awards of \$50,000 each will again be awarded in 2015. The deadline to apply is January 9, 2015.

First Recipients of the CUA-CUOG Astellas Research Grant Program Announced



In recent years, the CUASF has expanded to administer a number of additional research grant programs. We are pleased to highlight our ongoing collaboration with Astellas in developing the CUA-CUOG Research Grant Program in support of research in the area of prostate cancer. The support from Astellas affords Canadian researchers the opportunity to continue to perform prostate cancer research with significant global impact. In 2014, two grants of \$50,000 each and two grants of \$25,000 each were awarded. 🍁

Khurram Siddiqui

Western University

Achieving the oligometastatic state in end-stage prostate cancer by pharmacologic and genetic manipulation of Invadopodia formed by tumor cells

Muhammad Abdul Lateef

University of Montreal

A new strategy for personalized medicine: a microfluidic platform designed to test prostate cancer responses to targeted therapies

Nader Al Nakouzi

University of British Columbia

Developing a new and promising orally bioavailable inhibitor Hsp27

Tal Ben Zvi

Laval University

Omega 3 fatty acids and prostate cancer: where to measure quantification in RBC, plasma and prostate tissue

The deadline to apply for the 2015 CUA-CUOG Astellas Research Award Program is April 1, 2015.

2014 CUA Pfizer Incontinence Fellows Announced



The CUA Pfizer Incontinence Fellowship was created in 2013 to facilitate scientific discovery and innovation in urology in Canada. The fellowship provides funding to Canadian urological researchers who are looking to improve day to day life for people living with incontinence. This year, the CUA Pfizer Incontinence Fellowships were awarded to the following:

Nicole Golda

Queens University/Sunnybrook
Health Science Centre

*Creating a Market Driven Approach
to Deliver Value to Interstitial
Cystitis/Bladder Pain Syndrome
Patients*



From left to right: Dr. Ricardo Rendon,
Dr. Darren Desantis and Isabelle Defoy

Darren Desantis

Vesia [Alberta Bladder Centre]
Southern Alberta Institute of Urology

*The Use of Patient Reported Outcomes in a
Web Based Dashboard System to Assist with
Multidisciplinary Management of Urinary
Incontinence*


In 2015, two fellowships in the amount of \$60,000 each will again be awarded. The deadline to apply is April 1, 2015.

Facebook post

The Canadian Urological Association and Pfizer Canada have teamed-up to provide funding to Canadian urological researchers who are looking to improve day to day life for people living with incontinence. Urologists study, diagnose, and treat diseases of the urinary tract in females and of the genitourinary tract in males.

Twitter

Winners of
[@CanUrolAssoc/#PfizerCA](#)
[#Incontinence](#) Fellowship
announced; research aims to
improve quality of life
www.newswire.ca/en/story/1405710/cua-and-pfizer-canada-award-clinical-fellowships-in-incontinence

Drs. Golda of [@queensu](#) @UofT
& Desantis of Vesia awarded
[@CanUrolAssoc/#PfizerCA](#)
Incontinence Fellowship. 



2014 Canadian Urological Association (CUA) and Pfizer Canada Clinical Fellowship in Incontinence



Why Research Into Urological Disorders Matters?

The burden of urological disorders in Canada is growing.

In Canada, 16% of men and 33% of women over the age of 40 have symptoms of urinary incontinence.

The Canadian Urological Association (CUA) and Pfizer Canada's fellowship program was created to provide support and funding for Canadian urological researchers. The fellowship is focused on advancing urological research and improving care for patients with incontinence.

Programs such as these will help improve the care and quality of life for people living with this condition. Pfizer Canada is proud to support continued research and investment in this therapeutic area.



Dr. Darren Desantis

Vesia - The Alberta Bladder Centre

The Project

This project will collect patient-reported outcomes of individuals diagnosed with urinary incontinence and store it in a database. The database will be used to develop an online dashboard which will graphically depict the patient reported outcomes. This dashboard will be available for use by any of the multidisciplinary team members to assist with and improve upon patient management.



Dr. Nicole Golda

Queens University and University of Toronto, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre

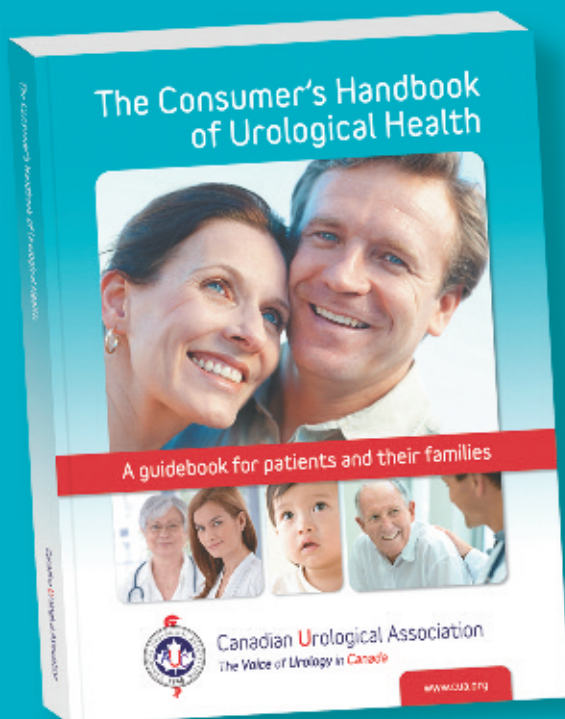
The Project

This pilot study will use business principles and models to collect information from patients with Interstitial Cystitis/Bladder Pain Syndrome (IC/BPS). It will assess their needs and better gauge success of treatment. This can be incorporated into an improved model of care for patients. The aim is to improve quality of life, including increasing desired activities and improving social and partner interactions.





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Office of Education Report



Dr. Gerry Brock
Vice-President, Education
London, ON

MEETINGS:

The 69th Annual Meeting in St. John's, NL, was a great success! Thanks to all of our over 900 participants! Relive the meeting and memorable social event moments by viewing photos on line at cuameeting.org/cua2014.

The Meeting featured 22 hours of scientific sessions, 11 invited speakers and over 300 abstracts. A new feature this year if you were unable to make it: live state-of-the-art presentations at cua.org! Log on to catch these presentations.

Highlights from the 69th Annual Meeting

- **2nd Annual CUA Multidisciplinary GU Cancers Meeting**, Saturday, June 28, 2014
(Section 1: Maximum 5 credits) view the program live at advancingin.com/portal.aspx?pid=12
- **Better Botox: From Patient Preparation to Injection Protocols**, Saturday, June 28, 2014
(Section 1: Maximum 4 credits)
- **Advanced Laparoscopic Skills and Robotics Course**
June 27-28, 2014
(Section 1: Maximum 8.5 credits)
- **7th Annual Canadian Senior Urology Residents (CSUR) Meeting**, June 27-28, 2014

The CUA Office of Education has developed the following educational programs since January 2014:

January 2014

- **5th CKCF Forum 2014** – January 15-17, 2014, Toronto, ON (Endorsed)

- **U of T: Men's Health Summit 2014** – January 18, 2014, Toronto, ON (Section 1, Maximum 6 credits)

March/April/May 2014

- **CUA GP Series of Meetings**: Vancouver, Calgary, Mississauga, Ottawa, Halifax (MainPro CFPC accredited)
- **Multi-Disciplinary Bone Health Program** (Rad Oncs, Uro-Oncs) – a slide kit and brochure (Section 1: Maximum 2 credits)
- **AUA 2014 Fellows Program** (May 20, 2014)

June 2014

- **Advanced Laparoscopic Skills and Robotics Course**, St. John's, NL, June 27-28, 2014
(Section 1: Maximum 8.5 credits)
- **7th Annual Canadian Senior Urology Residents (CSUR) Meeting**, June 27-28, 2014, St. John's, NL
- **CUA-EAU 2014 Exchange Programme**, June 14-July 1, 2014
- **CUA-USANZ Exchange Programme 2014**
(USANZ residents in St. John's for Annual Meeting and CUA residents will attend their meeting in Australia)

September 2014

- **European Urology Residents Programme (EUREP 2014) Exchange Programme** – September 5-10, 2014
- **CUA Canadian Prostate Cancer (CaPCAN) Program**
vivomap.ca/cua/register
(Section 3: Maximum 6 credits)
- **6th Annual Princess Margaret Cancer Centre Uro-Oncology Dialogue, Niagara-on-the-Lake**, September 19-21, 2014 (Section 1: Maximum 10 credits)

November 2014

- **CUA-CUOG BCC Bladder Cancer Quality-of-Care Consensus Meeting**, November 21-22, 2014, Dorval, QC (Endorsed)

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EAU visitors in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, June 2014

EDUCATIONAL TOOLKITS:

- ***When Is Intermittent Androgen Deprivation Therapy an Option for Advanced Prostate Cancer?*** A brochure for members and slide kit posted online in CPD section of CUA website.
- ***Beyond PSA Monitoring in the Management of Advanced Prostate Cancer***
A brochure for members and slide kit posted online in CPD section of CUA website.
- ***Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer: Optimizing Interdisciplinary Collaboration in an Evolving Management Environment*** – online program
- ***CUA-CUOG Guidelines for the Management of CRPC: An update from 2013*** – pocket guide and online resource
- ***Initiating bone-targeted agents in prostate cancer: A practical approach*** – pocket guide and online resource

ONLINE PROGRAMS (MD BRIEFCASE/ADVANCING IN)

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- ***Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer: Optimizing Interdisciplinary Collaboration in an Evolving Management Environment***
- ***Overactive Bladder in the Elderly Patient***
- ***Preventing UTIs in the Context of Urinary Catheterization***

REACHING OUT:

The CUA Office of Education is also making great strides in reaching out to various specialty groups.

Primary Care Physicians (PCPs)

This is the fourth year that the CUA has organized events for family practitioners and our membership in this category is increasing. This year, the CUA organized the Primary Care Comprehensive Urology Review 2014:

March 4, 2014 Ottawa, ON
 March 10, 2014 Vancouver, BC
 March 24, 2014 Mississauga, ON
 March 31, 2014 Calgary, AB
 May 10, 2014 Halifax, NS

Partnership with CUOG

With the current industry landscape, most of the programs that are being developed in the OE have a multidisciplinary treatment approach that are supported by the companies that have a focus on GU Cancers. In February, the CUA Executive Director was invited to the CUOG strategic plan retreat to present the benefits of partnering on educational programs, including the multidisciplinary meeting in June, supplements with the CUAJ and an online urology portal that will be created via md briefcase and hosted on the CUA website.

- **2nd Annual CUA Multidisciplinary GU Cancers Meeting** on Saturday, June 28, 2014
- **CUA-CUOG Supplement:** New oncology data front and centre: GU-ASCO 2014
- **Coming soon** – CUA-CUOG Oncology Portal



EAU staff thankful for their Canadian gifts at Stockholm congress, March 2014

A Constant Growing Presence:

The CUA Office of Education continues to be noticed for its innovative ideas in education and international exchanges that not only benefit Canadian urologists but professionals worldwide.

For an organization of its size, we have succeeded in developing national and international relationships. We will continue to do so by having a presence at:

- **U of T Update 2014** – October 31-November 1, 2014, Toronto, ON
- **Northeastern Section of the AUA Meeting**, November 13-15, 2014, Amelia Island, FL
- **30th Annual EAU**, March 20-24, 2015, Madrid, Spain
- **AUA Annual Meeting**, May 15-21, 2015, New Orleans, LA 🍁

CPD Update



Dr. Ben Chew
Chair, Continuing Professional
Development
Vancouver, BC

Since the elimination of co-development in August 2013, the Office of Education has not seen a decrease in the number of accredited programs. In fact, we have leveraged the credibility that comes with increased oversight and the CUA is seen as a leader in the CPD arena. CUA Members and industry sponsors have adapted to our new procedures and we continue to provide high-quality continuing professional development programs with arms-length sponsorship from industry.

In addition to developing accredited programs for urologists, the CUA is developing accredited programs on urological issues for other specialties and other healthcare professionals. We are pleased to be able to provide quality education on urological issues for oncologists, primary care physicians, and nurses. We hope that these programs will facilitate a multidisciplinary approach when beneficial and increase understanding of basic urological conditions among all healthcare professionals.

Our annual needs assessment is used to assess educational needs for our members. In addition, all members are invited to submit any ideas they may have. Should you wish to submit a request for a CPD program, please contact Catherine Millar, CPD Programs Manager via e-mail at catherine.millar@cua.org

We encourage all members to take advantage of the CPD programs posted in the “Member Section” of the CUA website. 🍁

Local Organizing Committee

Dr. Matthew Roberts, Ottawa, ON | Chair, 2015 Local Organizing Committee

As chair of the Local Organizing Committee, I look forward to welcoming you and your family to Ottawa for the historic 70th Annual Meeting of the CUA.

As the nation's capital, Ottawa is a fitting site for this important anniversary. The city is rich in Canadian history with the Parliament Buildings, bustling Byward Market, and beautiful Rideau Canal, all within easy walking distance. This setting provides an excellent backdrop to highlight the history of the CUA, which will be featured throughout the meeting venues and social program events.

On Sunday, June 28, the Annual Fun Night will take place in the Trillium Ballroom of the nearby Ottawa Convention Centre. While enjoying panoramic views of the beautiful downtown, you will be entertained by a special, well-known Canadian act and enjoy a variety of delicious food provided by our superb local chefs who will recreate the room to reflect the Byward Market.

As a nod to the CUA's 70th year, you will be surrounded by the glamour of the 1940s at the President's Banquet on Monday, June 29. Be transported back in time as we celebrate the inaugural decade of the CUA with food, drink, and live music. Come and enjoy!

The 2015 CUA meeting will have something for the entire family! Companions can enjoy daily organized outings featuring exciting activities offered by our city that focus on exploration, relaxation and fun. You can also enjoy some quality family time with your children, as you participate in a variety of entertaining and exciting family activities. There will be something for everyone!

I look forward to seeing you and your families next year in Ottawa! 🍁

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Greetings from

St. John's, NL



CSUR 2014 - looking for whales and icebergs



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A Message from the Scientific Program Chairs

Dr. Tony Bella, Ottawa, ON; Dr. Rodney Breau, Ottawa, ON | Co-Chairs, Scientific Program Committee

The CUA Scientific Program Committee is composed of a dynamic group that has been working on the educational program. The program will cover a broad range of common urological diseases focusing on topics that are controversial.

The format in Ottawa will be similar to previous CUA meetings. However, we plan to make changes that will encourage audience participation, improve exposure to Canadian science, and increase use of communication through social media.

In addition to recognized Canadian experts, we have invited international experts in our field. Confirmed speakers include:

Dr. Inderbir S. Gill, Chairman & Professor, Catherine and Joseph Aresty Department of Urology; Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California;

Dr. Stephen Y. Nakada, Chairman, Department of Urology, The David T. Uehling Professor of Urology, University of Wisconsin;

Dr. Ashish M. Kamat, Professor & Attending Surgeon, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center;

Dr. Mark Emberton, Director of the Division of Surgery and Interventional Science; Professor of Interventional Oncology, University College London;

Dr. John P. Mulhall, Director, Male Sexual and Reproductive Medicine Program, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center;

Dr. Philipp Dahm, Professor of Urology at University of Minnesota;

Dr. Jack S. Elder, Chief of Pediatric Urology, Vattikuti Urology Institute, Henry Ford Health System; Children's Hospital of Michigan;

Dr. Ricardo Gonzalez, Baylor College of Medicine & the Methodist Center for Restorative Medicine;

We look forward to providing you with an unrivaled scientific program for the 70th annual CUA. 🍁

Visit cuameeting.org for more details.

Abstract Submission: January 19th, 2015

CUA 2015 Scientific Program Committee

Co-Chair, Tony Bella, Ottawa, ON

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Congratulations to CUA's newest Active and International members following their approval at the Annual General Meeting in St. John's Newfoundland.

Approved for Active Membership at AGM 2014

Eli Antebi	Morrie Liquornik	Mark Preston
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Approved for International Membership at AGM 2014

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Welcome to CUA!

CUAJ Update

Josephine E. Sciortino, Editorial Director, Dr. Robert Siemens, Editor-in-Chief

This year marks the 8th operational year for CUAJ. Since we established the journal in 2007, we have published 75 issues (including supplements) and 1610 original research articles. This is something we, as an Association, should be proud of.

The latest impact factors are out and CUAJ now ranks 34 of 75 journals in the Urology and Nephrology category (up from 43 last year). Our Impact Factor is now 1.92 (up from 1.65 from last year and up from 0.87 from our first year).

Through the online manuscript submission system, we are seeing a marked increase in the number of submissions. Last year, we received 434 articles for consideration. This year, we project 550 submissions by the end of the year. Our publication rate however has not increased; we continue to publish relevant research so we've had to increase our rejection rate. For Original Research articles, our rejection rate is 58%; for case reports 72%.

Metrics are increasingly important in our world of numbers. Our electronic table of contents (sent via MailChimp) goes to about 7000 subscribers – with a 25% (22.8% industry average) open rate. Our click through rate is 6% – while this number seems pretty low and irrelevant, if we consider the industry average as 5.3%, then some perspective kicks in! This means that 25% of people who receive the email open it up, and 6% actually click through each article. Via Google Analytics, we have found that on average there are 3400 unique visitors on the CUAJ site per month.

In 2014, CUAJ Supplements included the Abstracts for the Prairie Urological Association, Update from GU-ASCO, CUA Annual Meeting Abstracts, Selected Proceedings from the 2014 U of T Men's Health Summit, and Update from the 2014 AUA Annual Meeting. We will also be publishing the Abstracts from the AUA-

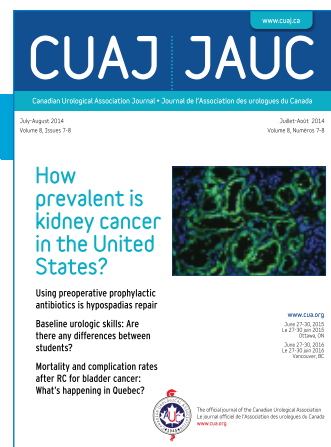
Northeastern Section Meeting. Supplements are a good way to consolidate material in a single printed piece. If you are presenting late-breaking research at a urology meeting (i.e., ESMO, EAU), let us know and we'll do our best to disseminate your research.

CUAJ also publishes CUA Guidelines. So far, this year we have published the pediatric guideline on the Solitary Kidney and (at the time of printing) we are preparing the Antibiotic Prophylaxis guideline for the October issue. CUAJ will continue to publish CUA Guidelines as they are approved by the CUA Guidelines Committee.

CUAJ continues to operate in the black financially with the dedication of Denise Toner, Manager, CUAJ Advertising. Against the odds, we had an 83% increase in revenue from last year! Looking forward, we are cautiously optimistic we can keep CUAJ in the black by diversifying our revenue stream. Advertising revenue is still the main source of our revenue, but we are looking to reprints and supplements to fill the gaps.

CUAJ has also benefitted from its professional memberships. Josephine Sciortino, Editorial Director, is a member of the Council of Science Editors (councilscienceeditors.org/). These alliances are very helpful in generating new ideas and processes for the journal. We are also members of the Canadian Association of Medical Publishers (camponline.org/). Membership keeps us abreast of the news in medical publishing and trends in advertising.

CUAJ is your journal. Support it by being a reviewer and author. Visit us at cuaj.ca. 🍁



New look for our Patient Information Brochures

In keeping with our new branding, we have taken the initiative to revamp our brochures to unify this look and to reinforce that CUA is "The Voice of Urology in Canada."

To order, visit the CUA website cuaj.org



70th Annual Meeting

Ottawa, ON • June 27-30, 2015

The Westin Ottawa Hotel

Celebrating 70 years of Canadian Urology

Social Events

**Fun Night, June 28, Trillium Ballroom
Ottawa Convention Centre**



While enjoying panoramic views of beautiful downtown, you will be entertained by Rick Mercer and enjoy a variety of delicious food provided by our superb local chefs.

**President's Reception and Banquet
Monday, June 29, 2015**

As a nod to the CUA's 70th year, you will be surrounded by the glamour of the 1940s. Be transported back in time as we celebrate the inaugural decade of the CUA with food, drink, and live music. Come and enjoy!

- Scientific Program
- Affiliated Meetings
- CUA Instructional Courses ...and much more!

We look forward to seeing you and your families next year in Ottawa!



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Future CUA Meetings



2016 - June 26-28
Vancouver, BC



2017 - June 23-25
Toronto, ON



2018 - June 25-27
Halifax, NS



2019 - June 29-July 2
Québec City, QC

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