



Kidney Cancer Canada | Cancer du rein Canada is a national community of patients, caregivers and health professionals who work to provide every Canadian touched by kidney cancer with the support, education and advocacy for their care pathways and treatment options.

Our mission began more than 14 years ago when two kidney cancer patients met by chance in a hospital waiting room. Deb Maskens and Tony Clark experienced a significant gap in the health care system and needed more than expert medical care. They decided to fill this gap by establishing Kidney Cancer Canada as a registered charity to advocate for access to new treatments, promote research and provide support, information and education to every Canadian touched by kidney cancer.

Other patients and caregivers joined Deb and Tony and their legacy continues to improve the lives of thousands of Canadians suffering from the disease.



#### WELCOME

Hello and Welcome to the National Kidney Cancer Canada Virtual Patient & Caregiver Forum 2021!

Once again, we find ourselves joining together for our annual Forum virtually, due to the COVID virus. It certainly has changed everyone's reality, especially for cancer patients, but one positive is that all of Canada, even those in rural and remote areas, can join us for this excellent informational event.

We have planned a day of learning for you, our kidney cancer community, from diagnosis through new treatment options. Specialists from across Canada are volunteering to meet with us and offer information and to answer your questions. We encourage you to submit your questions through the Chat during the Forum.

Kidney Cancer Canada is grateful for you, our kidney cancer patient and caregiver community, for the support of our dedicated volunteers, our engaged doctors and health care professionals, our donors, and corporate sponsors. I encourage you to check out our sponsorship page on the Forum website (kidneycancerforum.ca), there are amazing videos to see!

This is <u>your</u> Forum! We hope you learn new information that will help you to make the right choices on your individual care pathway and find answers to your questions.

Kidney Cancer Canada is <u>your</u> organization – we are here for you! Please reach out to us with questions, concerns, for information or support. We don't have all the answers, but we will do our best to find them for you.

Please enjoy your Forum 2021.

Christine G. Collins.

Take care!

**Christine Collins** 

**Executive Director** 

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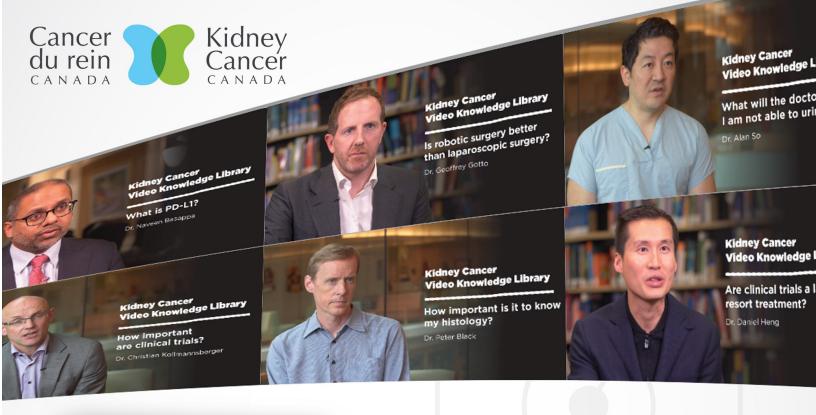
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Community Ambassadors are a vital part of our organization to raise awareness about kidney cancer and support other patients and families in their care pathways. Help us reach all Canadians touched by kidney cancer and volunteer with us.

#### AGENDA

TIME	PROGRAM
11:00—11:10	Welcoming Address Andrew Weller, Chair & Christine Collins, Executive Director
11:10—11:55	Steps to Diagnosis & Follow-Up Dr. Michael Leveridge, Uro-Oncologist
11:55—12:00	Prize Donors Birch Babe Mary Kay
12:00—12:45	Radio Frequency Ablation (RFA) & Cryoablation Dr. Oleg Mironov, Radiologist
12:45—1:45	Surgery Options for Kidney Cancer Dr. Rahul Bansal, Uro-Oncologist Dr. Simon Tanguay, Uro-Oncologist
1:45—2:00	Patient Conversation Amélie, Québec Christine, Winnipeg
2:00—2:45	The Future of Adjuvant Therapy in RCC Dr. Anil Kapoor, Uro-Oncologist

TIME	PROGRAM
2:45—3:45	Updates in Medical Oncology in Kidney Cancer Now and in the Future Dr. Jeffrey Graham, Medical Oncologist Dr. Neil Reaume, Medical Oncologist Dr. Lori Wood, Medical Oncologist
3:45—4:00	Patient Conversation  Doug, Alberta  Ron, Manitoba
4:00—4:15	Warren Y. Soper Charitable Trust Research Award Winner \$50,000  Ms. Jane Soper-Kennedy Andrew Weller, Chair—Kidney Cancer Canada Simon Tanguay, Chair, Medical Advisory Board Christine Collins, Executive Director Pat Sevean, Grant Reviewer
4:15	Closing Remarks





## Kidney Cancer Video Knowledge Library

## An exciting resource for patients, caregivers, and healthcare professionals!

Leading kidney cancer specialists answer questions from patients and caregivers in the Kidney Cancer Video Knowledge Library.

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#### BIOGRAPHIES



**Dr. Rahul Bansal** MD, MCh, FRCSC

Dr. Rahul K. Bansal is a staff Urologist at St. Boniface General

Hospital and Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He is Assistant Professor of Surgery in Section of Urology at Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Manitoba and Research Director for Urology program. He also serves as Director of Laparoscopic Kidney Donation program for Transplant Manitoba. He became board certified upon completion of residency training in General Surgery (Dayanand Medical College and Hospital, Ludhiana and All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi) and Urology (Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research. Chandigarh) in India. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and completed Urology residency at McMaster University, Hamilton. He completed fellowships at McMaster University and St. Michael's Hospital, University of Toronto in Renal Transplant Surgery and Genito-Urinary Oncology with special

focus on management of kidney cancer. During his training, Dr. Bansal developed extensive expertise in open, laparoscopic and robotic surgery for management of kidney cancer. He is actively involved in kidney cancer research and was recently inducted into medical advisory board of Kidney Cancer Canada.

During his training, he was selected as American Urological Association resident scholar and CUA-AUA international fellow. He has multiple peer -reviewed publications on kidney cancer, minimally invasive surgery and kidney transplant. He is certified in Surgical Research Methodology and serves as reviewer for European Urology Focus, Gold Journal of Urology, Canadian Urology Association Journal and Indian Journal of Urology. He was named among best reviewers for Canadian Urology Association Journal. His research interests include oncological and renal functional outcomes following surgery for renal cancers, strategies to expand organ donor pool and application of minimally invasive surgical techniques in urology. He is also member of many professional

organizations including AUA, CUA and USI. His practice mainly includes management of kidney, bladder and prostate cancer in addition to renal transplant.



**Dr. Jeffrey Graham**MD MPH FRCPC

Dr. Jeffrey Graham is a medical oncologist at CancerCare

Manitoba, assistant professor in the department of internal medicine at the University of Manitoba, and affiliate scientist at the CancerCare Manitoba Research Institute. He completed a clinical research fellowship in genitourinary oncology at the Tom Baker Cancer Centre and the University of Calgary. He also obtained a master in public health (MPH) at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.



**Dr. Anil Kapoor** MD, FRCSC

Dr. Anil Kapoor is currently Professor of Surgery (Urology &

Oncology) at McMaster University/ St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. He obtained his MD from

Dalhousie University. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and a Diplomate of American Board of Urology. He is certified by the American Society of Transplant Surgeons, having obtained post-graduate training from the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Renal Transplantation, Reno-Vascular surgery, and GU Oncology.

Dr. Kapoor is current Director of the Urologic Cancer Centre for Research & Innovation (UCCRI) at St. Joseph's Hamilton, Head of the Genito-Urinary Oncology program at the Juravinski Cancer Centre, Co-Chair of the NCIC Kidney Cancer Disease Group, and Chair of the Kidney Cancer Research Network of Canada (KCRNC). He is a member of the Board of Directors of Kidney Cancer Canada (KCC). He has published over 300 peer-reviewed papers, 12 book chapters and over 200 abstracts in the fields of genito-urinary oncology (prostate cancer and kidney cancer), kidney transplantation, and urologic laparoscopy. He is current Head of the Clinical Trials Group at the McMaster Institute of Urology (MIU) and established the Kidney Cancer Centre at McMaster University in 2009.

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**Dr. Michael Leveridge**MD, FRCSC

Dr. Leveridge is an Associate Professor

and Oncology at Queen's University and is the residency program director for the urology training program. He completed his medical degree at the University of Toronto, followed by Urology residency at Queen's University. Dr. Leveridge's fellowship in Urologic Oncology was completed at Princess Margaret Hospital and the University of Toronto. His clinical focus is urologic oncology in addition to a general urology practice. Research interests include the use and value of social media in urology as well as population-level research in bladder cancer and testicular cancer outcomes. He is the Editor-in-Chief of the Canadian Urological Association Journal and VP (Communications) with the Canadian Urological Association.



**Dr. Oleg Mironov** MD

Dr Mironov graduated medical school from SUNY Downstate in

Brooklyn, NY in 2010. He completed

training in diagnostic radiology at the University of Rochester in Rochester, NY in 2015 and the Black Family clinical and research fellowship in interventional radiology at the University of Toronto/University Health Network in 2017.

Dr Mironov is the lead interventional radiologist at St Joseph Healthcare Hamilton and assistant professor at McMaster University since 2017. He has over 20 peer reviewed publications in diagnostic and interventional radiology with a concentration on ablation technology. He has treated hundreds of patients with cancers of the kidneys, liver and lungs using various ablation technologies.



**Dr. Neil Reaume**MD FRCPC

Dr Reaume received his undergraduate Bachelor of Science

from Queen's University (1992), medical school at the University of Ottawa MD (1994). He subsequently completed his Internal Medicine training at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. He returned to the University of Ottawa for his Medical Oncology subspecialty

training and subsequent Lung/GU
Fellowship and Masters of Science in
Clinical Epidemiology at the University
of Ottawa.

He has been a staff Medical Oncologist at The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre since 2001 where he is an Assistant Professor, University of Ottawa. He was the Director of the University of Ottawa Postgraduate Medical Oncology Residency Training Program 2005-2017. He is now the Head, Division of Medical Oncology, The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre since 2019.

He is a Member of the National Cancer Institute of Canada's Working Group on Economic Analysis and Chair of the Royal College of Physician and Surgeons Medical Oncology Subspecialty Committee.

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**Dr. Simon Tanguay** MD, FRCSC

Dr Simon Tanguay is Professor and Chair of the Division of Urology

at the McGill University Health Center and McGill University. Dr Tanguay was actively involved in the Kidney Cancer Research Network of Canada since its creation and the development of the Canadian Kidney Cancer information system. He was a supporter of Kidney Cancer Canada since its creation. His research interests are focussed on diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for kidney cancer.

Dr Tanguay also served as General Secretary and President of the Société Internationale d'Urologie. This scientific Society has for mission to enable urologists from all countries to apply the highest standards of urological care to their patients. The Society has also an important philanthropic role to help train urologists in developing countries.



**Dr. Lori Wood** MD, FRCPC

Dr. Lori Wood is a medical oncologist, Professor in the

Department of Medicine at Dalhousie University with a cross appointment in the Department of Urology.

Dr. Wood's clinical and research interests are in Genitourinary Malignancies especially Renal Cell Cancer and Testicular Cancer. She participates in a number of phase II and III clinical trials as well as a number of national research initiatives. She is also involved in all levels of medical education as both a teacher and mentor and supervises a number of students and residents in research initiatives.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS & STAFF



#### **Andrew Weller** Chair

Andrew has been under surveillance for 20 years as part of a

hereditary kidney cancer study. Due to the prevalence of kidney cancer in his family, he began volunteering with Kidney Cancer Canada to help advocate for access to innovative treatments and promote information for patients.

Andrew, elected to the Kidney Cancer

Canada Board in 2013, now serves as Chair and is active with the Kidney Cancer Research Network of Canada initiatives. Andrew is a Procurement Director for Rexall.



#### **Christine Collins Executive Director**

Christine Collins' work with Kidney Cancer

Canada began after her diagnosis in 2010, committed to giving back to the organization that supported her. She began volunteering at patient education events and in peer support services, and then served as a Director, and as Vice Chair of the Board. In 2020, Christine moved to the frontlines as the Executive Director at Kidney Cancer Canada.

Christine's personal experience combined with her background in education, health, and corporate work, along with her commitment to Kidney Cancer Canada, has enabled her to better serve and support the kidney cancer community. Christine's objective is not only to support better diagnosis opportunities, treatment options and support, but also a cure.



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