







SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019

Time	Event Description	Location
11:30 AM - 5:30 PM	<p>HQP and Trainee Development Day</p> <p>Sponsored by  </p> <p>HQP and trainees click here for schedule</p> <p>Registration and lunch 12:00 - 2:00 PM (Registration opens at 11:30 AM)</p> <p>Opening Remarks at 1:15 PM</p>	
12:45 – 3:00 PM	<p>Meeting of the Board of Directors (Closed Meeting)</p> <p>Lunch will be provided</p>	The Library (Fairmont)
2:30 – 7:00 PM	<p>General Registration</p>	Carson Hall Foyer
5:30 – 6:30 PM	<p>Learning Institute Meet and Greet</p>	Sidney Room
6:15 – 7:15 PM	<p>Welcome Reception</p> <p>Browse our sponsor exhibits: Speakers and conference delegates will gather for light refreshments and conversation.</p> <p>Sponsored by </p>	Carson Hall Foyer
7:15 – 8:15 PM	<p>Welcome Dinner</p> <p>Enjoy a delicious dinner with your colleagues and kick off the 2019 Summit for Cancer Immunotherapy in style!</p> <p>Sponsored by </p>	Carson Hall BC
8:00 – 8:15 PM	<p>Welcome: John Bell, BioCanRx</p>	
8:15 – 9:30 PM	<p>Opening Keynote Session</p> <p>Chair: John Bell, BioCanRx</p> <p>8:15 – 8:30 PM – Patient Representative: Alyssa Vito, McMaster University</p> <p>8:30 – 9:15 PM – Len Seymour, University of Oxford. Genetic Medicine – Are We There Yet?</p>	



MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

Time	Event Description	Location
<p>Additional Meeting Rooms on Monday:</p> <p>7:00 AM – 7:00 PM Metchosen: Drop in meeting room 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM Colwood/View Royal: On-hold meeting room 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM Sidney: Learning Institute Meeting Room</p> <hr/> <p>Registration Desk open 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Browse sponsor exhibits 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM</p>		
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast	Carson Hall Foyer
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Learning Institute Knowledge Exchange Session (Closed meeting)	Sidney Room
8:00 - 8:10 AM	Morning Welcome: John Bell , BioCanRx	Carson Hall BC
8:10 – 9:50 AM	<p>Plenary Session 1: Immunotherapy 101 Chairs: Jeanette Boudreau, Dalhousie University and Ismael Samudio, Virogin Biotech Ltd.</p> <p>Speakers: 8:20 – 8:50 AM Rebecca Auer, Ottawa Hospital Research Institute. Surgery-induced MDSCs and postoperative cancer recurrence 8:50 – 9:10 AM Julian Lum, BC Cancer Agency. Targeted Radiation and Immunotherapy 9:10 – 9:30 AM HQP Talk: Natalie Firmino, BC Cancer Research Centre. Germinal center hypoxia develops during exposure to tumor antigens and modulates anti-tumor immune responses 9:30 – 9:50 AM John Bell, Ottawa Hospital Research Institute. Title TBA</p>	Carson Hall BC
9:50 – 10:15 AM	Sponsor Pitches: Presentations from our exhibitors	Carson Hall BC
10:15 - 10:30 AM	Coffee Break: Refreshments available. Browse sponsor exhibits.	Carson Hall Foyer
10:15 AM - 4:00 PM	Poster Session 1 Preparation: Put up posters	Carson Hall A
10:30 AM - 12:15 PM	<p>Plenary Session 2: Gene Editing in Cancer Immunotherapy Chairs: Kevin Hay, BC Cancer Agency and Brad Nelson, BC Cancer Agency</p> <p>Speakers: 10:40 – 11:05 AM Cliona Rooney, Baylor College of Medicine. Title TBA 11:05 – 11:30 AM Jason Moffat, University of Toronto. Exploring the landscape of cancer-intrinsic immune evasion 11:30 AM – 11:50 AM HQP Talk: Gillian Carleton, Deeley Research Centre. Metabolic engineering of chimeric antigen receptor T cells for cancer immunotherapy 11:50 – 12:15 PM Michael Jensen, Seattle Children’s Research Institute. Targeting Cancer with CAR T Cells- Beyond Remission Induction</p>	Carson Hall BC


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12:15 – 2:30 PM	Lunch & Networking Break Sponsored by  Kite <small>A GILEAD Company</small>	Carson Hall Foyer
12:15 – 2:00 PM	Meet the Experts Networking Session Lunch Provided (12:15-12:40 PM) HQP will have the opportunity to meet and discuss with leading experts from across different sectors in cancer immunotherapy	Crystal Ballroom (Fairmont)
2:00 – 2:30 PM	Learning Institute Small Group Meeting (Closed meeting)	Sidney Room
2:30 – 4:00 PM	Plenary Session 3: Oxford-style debate - "Cancer Vaccines have no place in the era of Cell Therapy" Chair: John Bell , BioCanRx Combattants: Jonathan Bramson , McMaster University (FOR) and Rebecca Auer , Ottawa Hospital Research Institute (AGAINST) HQP Moderator: Julian Smazynski	Carson Hall BC
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Trainee Speed Poster Session	Carson Hall BC
4:30 – 5:30 PM	CSA Working Group Meeting (Closed meeting)	Colwood/View Royal
4:30 – 6:30 PM	Poster Session 1 & Reception: Light snacks available. Sponsored by  NOVARTIS	Carson Hall A
Dinner on own tonight.		

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019

Time	Event Description	Location
<p>Additional Meeting Rooms on Tuesday:</p> <p>7:00 AM – 6:00 PM Metchosen: Drop in meeting room 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM Colwood/View Royal: On-hold meeting room 7:00 AM – 10:00 PM Sidney: Learning Institute Meeting Room</p> <hr/> <p>Registration Desk open 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Browse sponsor exhibits 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM</p>		
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast	Carson Hall Foyer
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Learning Institute Knowledge Exchange Session (Closed meeting)	Sidney Room
8:00 - 8:10 AM	Morning Welcome: Jennifer Quizi , BioCanRx	Carson Hall BC
8:10 - 9:50 AM	<p>Plenary Session 4: Highlighting BioCanRx Clinical Trials Chairs: Natasha Kekre, Ottawa Hospital Research Institute and Marcus Butler, Princess Margaret Cancer Centre</p> <p>Speakers: 8:20 – 8:50 AM Kevin Hay, BC Cancer Agency. Canadian-Led Immunotherapies in Cancer: CLIC-1901 for the Treatment of Patients With Relapsed/Refractory CD19 Positive Hematologic Malignancies 8:50 – 9:10 AM Marcus Butler, University Health Network. Optimizing Cell Therapies for Solid Tumors 9:10 – 9:30 AM HQP Talk: Sandy Pelletier, CRCHUM. Improving immunotherapy with clinical-grade cell sorting of tumor infiltrating T lymphocytes 9:30 – 9:50 AM Jonathan Bramson, McMaster University. Demonstrating the boosting capacity of Maraba virus in humans</p>	Carson Hall BC
9:50 – 10:15 AM	Coffee Break: Refreshments available. Browse our sponsor exhibits.	Carson Hall Foyer
9:50 AM – 3:30 PM	Poster Session 2 Preparation: Put up posters.	Carson Hall A
10:15 – 11:55 AM	<p>Plenary Session 5: Biomarkers and Mechanisms of Resistance Chairs: Tommy Alain, CHEO Research Institute and Megan Mahoney, BioCanRx</p> <p>Speakers: 10:25 – 10:55 AM Arta Monjazeb, UC Davis. Paradoxical effects of obesity on cancer immunotherapy 10:55 – 11:15 AM Uri Tabori, Sick Kids. Replication Repair Deficiency and Hypermutation in Childhood Cancer 11:15 – 11:35 AM HQP Talk: Julian Smazynski, BC Cancer. The TIGIT:CD155 axis as a potential checkpoint pathway in immunologically cold cancers 11:35 AM – 11:55 AM Sam Workenhe, McMaster University. Activating Desirable Inflammation Overcomes Tumor Resistance to Immunotherapy</p>	Carson Hall BC

Time	Event Description	Location
11:55 AM – 2:00 PM	Lunch & Networking Break	Carson Hall Foyer
11:55 AM - 2:00 PM	<p>Patient Researcher Round Table Lunch Invitation Only</p> <p>Oncology patients and representatives from charities and patient-advocacy NGOs from across Canada will join junior and senior BioCanRx researchers for a roundtable lunch where they will present their research projects and discuss ideas around opportunities and challenges for patient-researcher partnerships.</p> <p>Sponsored by  MERCK INVENTING FOR LIFE</p>	Colwood/View Royal
2:00 – 4:00 PM	<p>Plenary Session 6: Patient Plenary - Innovation, Access and Affordability Chairs: Nicole Mittmann, CADTH and Alex Chambers, Novartis</p> <p>Speakers: 2:05 – 2:20 PM Marianne Taylor, BC Cancer. Is there room for innovation in the Canadian cancer drug review and approval processes? 2:20 – 2:35 PM Imagine Lecture (HQP) - Brittany Umer, PhD Candidate, University of Alberta. Why patient engagement is here to stay-The value of patient-researcher partnerships from the HQP perspective 2:35 – 2:50 PM Christopher Longo, McMaster University. Canadian cancer patients' financial burden: A National and Provincial examination 2:50 – 3:05 PM Blair Henry, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. Ethical Issues at the Edge of Innovations in Medicine 3:05 – 3:20 PM Kathy Barnard, Save Your Skin Foundation. Beyond the Curve</p> <p>Q&A for this session will take place during a panel discussion following the talks.</p>	Carson Hall BC
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Trainee Speed Poster Presentation	Carson Hall BC
4:30 – 6:00 PM	<p>Public Forum - Cancer Immunotherapy: Game-Changing Research In partnership with BC Cancer and the Victoria Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Join us to hear from a panel of national experts about one of the most promising new areas of cancer research happening right here in Victoria: immunotherapy.</p> <p>Featuring Dr. Brad Nelson, Dr. Kevin Hay, Dr. John Bell, Dr. Natasha Kekre, Patty Pitts and moderated by Catherine Holt, CEO of the Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce.</p> <p>Reception and refreshments to follow.</p>	The Crystal Ballroom
4:30 – 6:30 PM	<p>Poster Session 2 & Reception - Light snacks available. Sponsored by BCREGMED</p> <p>*Poster Session 2 Take down posters: Posters must be removed by 9 p.m.</p>	Carson Hall A
6:45 – 11:00 PM	<p>Join us at CANOE Brewpub for an informal evening including dinner and refreshments. The venue is a 15-minute walk from The Fairmont Empress. You must be registered for this event to attend. Please drink responsibly.</p> <p>Sponsored by  TURNSTONE BIOLOGICS</p>	Night Out – CANOE Brewpub

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019

Time	Event Description	Location
<p>Additional Meeting Rooms on Wednesday:</p> <p>7:00 AM – 1:00 PM Metchosen: Drop in meeting room 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM Colwood/View Royal: On-hold meeting room 7:00 AM – 1:00 PM Sidney: Learning Institute Meeting Room</p> <hr/> <p>Registration Desk open 7:30 AM - 12:00 PM Browse sponsor exhibits 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM</p>		
7:00 – 8:20 AM	Breakfast	Carson Hall Foyer
7:20 – 8:20 AM	Learning Institute Knowledge Exchange Session (Closed meeting)	Sidney Room
8:20 - 8:30 AM	Morning Welcome: Stéphanie Michaud , BioCanRx	Carson Hall BC
8:30 – 10:10 AM	<p>Plenary Session 7: Brain Cancer Immunotherapy Chairs: Sheila Singh, McMaster University and Jennifer Quizi, BioCanRx</p> <p>Speakers: 8:40 – 9:10 AM Hideho Okada, University of California, San Francisco. Development of T Cell-Based Immunotherapy for Brain Cancer – Challenges and Opportunities 9:10 – 9:30 AM Frank Tufaro, DNATRIX. Oncolytic Virus Immunotherapy for Glioblastoma: Challenges and Rewards 9:30 – 9:50 AM HQP Talk: Sabra Salim, McMaster University. Assessing the safety of a CD133 CAR-T strategy in preclinical models 9:50 – 10:10 AM Nicholas Vitanza, Seattle Children’s Hospital. CART T Cell Targeting of Pediatric Central Nervous System Tumors</p>	Carson Hall BC
10:10 - 10:30 AM	Coffee Break: Refreshments will be available. Browse sponsor exhibits.	Carson Hall Foyer
10:30 - 11:30 AM	<p>Closing Keynote Session Chair: John Bell, BioCanRx 10:40 – 11:30 AM: Isabelle Rivière, Memorial Sloan Kettering. Advances in CAR T-Cell Therapy: The CD19 Paradigm</p>	Carson Hall BC
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	<p>Awards & Closing Remarks Chair: John Bell, BioCanRx</p>	Carson Hall BC
11:35 AM - 12:05 PM	<p>Trainee Award Ceremony Harold Atkins, Chair, BioCanRx HQP Development Committee Sponsored by  MERCK <small>INVENTING FOR LIFE</small></p>	
12:05 - 12:15 PM	Closing Remarks John Bell , BioCanRx	

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12:15	Lunch – 'Grab & Go' bag lunches provided.	Carson Hall Foyer
<i>Conference Ends</i>		