Curing Metastatic Disease with Radiotherapy: Myth or Reality?

2019 ASTRO Annual Meeting Presidential Symposium

The 2019 ASTRO Annual Meeting Presidential Symposium is unveiling a new opening session format that is both provocative and collaborative.

We invite you to join us for this exciting and interactive symposium that will challenge assumptions about radiation therapy and our role in the future of cancer care.

New Format! MACRO META MICRO

General Session

(The MACRO)

The first part of the Symposium will take place in the general session room and will be comprised of three, level-setting talks and an Oxford-style debate allowing for a fun and educational dialogue to help unveil and explore where controversies lie.

(This session is accredited for continuing medical education credits.)

Expanded Learning Sessions

(The META)

Next, attendees will self-select one of 12 facilitated breakout sessions. Each of the 12 sessions will focus on one aspect of the overall Symposium topic engaging attendees in smaller groups with a facilitator.

(These sessions are not accredited for continuing medical education credits.)

Table Talks

(The MICRO)

Following the expanded learning sessions, attendees will have the opportunity to continue their discussions at table talks in the Exhibit Hall, providing a more intimate and detailed learning environment.

(These sessions are not accredited for continuing medical education credits.)

GENERAL SESSION –MACRO

Overall polarizing topic which includes three didactic lectures followed by a debate, setting the stage for the expanded learning sessions.

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Contemporary Principles of Metastatic Cancer Dissemination

(Ashani Weeraratna, Ph.D.)

The Role of Local Therapies in the Management of Patients with Metastatic Disease

(TBD)

Finding the Unicorn – The Abscopal Effect

(TBD)

Debate

Radiation Therapy Cures Metastatic Disease

Moderator – Ralph R. Weichselbaum, MD

PRO – Robert Timmerman, MD, FASTRO

CON – Anthony L. Zietman, MD, FASTRO

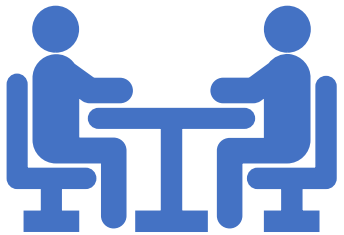
Expanded Learning Sessions – META – Pick a Side!

Facilitated breakout sessions on various topics that are collaborative, engaging and conversational. Attendees will "pick a side" they feel most passionate about and get involved in the debate! *(These sessions are not accredited for continuing medical education credits.)*

- Expanded Learning #1: Immunotherapy will only be curative if delivered with radiation therapy
- Expanded Learning #2: Biologic/Genetic markers are the only method to select patients for combined radiation and immunotherapy
- Expanded Learning #3: Imaging at the micrometer scale is possible and required for radiation therapy to cure metastatic disease
- Expanded Learning #4: Treating the primary site is necessary in curing metastatic disease
- Expanded Learning #5: Radiation Therapy is redefining the cure of metastatic breast cancer
- Expanded Learning #6: Radiation Therapy is becoming the standard for curing oligometastatic lung cancer
- Expanded Learning #7: Radiation Therapy for metastatic GI cancer improves patient prognosis
- Expanded Learning #8: Radiation Therapy for oligometastatic prostate cancer will replace systemic therapy
- Expanded Learning #9: We have not maximized the radiotherapeutic potential for curing brain metastases
- Expanded Learning #10: Radiopharmaceuticals will replace external beam RT for treatment of metastasis in the next decade
- Expanded Learning #11: Artificial Intelligence will drive who we treat for cure with metastatic disease and how we treat them
- Expanded Learning #12: Treatment of oligometastatic disease with radiation will allow survival to soar in low income nations

Table Talks – Continue the discussion!

Following the expanded learning sessions, you will have the opportunity to continue discussions as intimate table talks in the Exhibit Hall.



These table talks will be informal, yet highly interactive discussions with your colleagues whether they be academic, community, industry or more.

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This is where the real fun begins!

Get engaged in the *ROhub* Community!

Don’t wait until you get onsite. Start a discussion now about curing metastatic disease with radiotherapy.

Visit	Visit the PS: Innovate Together community on the *ROhub*.
Log on	Log on with your credentials (email address and password).
Click on	Click on the latest discussion post or start your own.
Post	Post feedback on breakout sessions and suggestions for Table Talk topics.
Lead	Let us know if you are interested in leading a Table Talk.