Media Advisory

Media Registration Open for
2014 Multidisciplinary Head and Neck Cancer Symposium

In Scottsdale, Arizona, February 20-22, 2014

What: The 2014 Multidisciplinary Head and Neck Cancer Symposium, sponsored by the American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO), the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) and the American Head & Neck Society (AHNS), will explore the heterogeneous group of tumors in head and neck cancers, and the various complexities and factors in providing treatment. The multidisciplinary approach includes surgery, radiation therapy and chemotherapy in addition to novel molecular biologic therapies that show promise in improving outcomes.

The two-and-a-half day scientific meeting will include interactive educational sessions focused on topics such as supportive care, directed therapy, new surgical and radiotherapeutic techniques, as well as 12 oral abstract presentations of the most current, cutting-edge science of relevance to the head and neck cancer community. A total of 189 abstracts will be presented including 177 posters. Keynote speakers include:

- Jennifer Grandis, MD, University of Pittsburgh, “The Molecular Road to Defining and Targeting High-risk Head and Neck Patients”
- Julia H. Rowland, PhD, National Cancer Institute, “Cancer Survivorship: Research Opportunities on the Path to Where We Want to Be”

When: Thursday, February 20 – Saturday, February 22, 2014

Where: JW Marriott Camelback Inn Resort and Spa, Scottsdale, Arizona

Press Registration: Credentialed journalists from accredited news organizations are invited to attend and report on the 2014 Multidisciplinary Head and Neck Cancer Symposium.

Press Policies and Registration Form

Press Office: There will be a dedicated Press Office at the JW Marriott Camelback Inn Resort and Spa.
Press Office Hours:

Thursday, February 20: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday, February 21: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

News Briefings Schedule, as of January 10, 2014:

Thursday, February 20, 7:00 a.m. MT (9:00 a.m. ET): Topic TBA
Friday, February 21, 7:00 a.m. MT (9:00 a.m. ET): Topic TBA

News Briefings will be available live, online; details will be confirmed soon.

More information is available at 2014 Multidisciplinary Head and Neck Cancer Symposium (www.headandnecksymposium.org).

ABOUT ASTRO
ASTRO is the premier radiation oncology society in the world, with more than 10,000 members who are physicians, nurses, biologist, physicists, radiation therapists, dosimetrists and other health care professionals that specialize in treating patients with radiation therapies. As the leading organization in radiation oncology, the Society is dedicated to improving patient care through professional education and training, support for clinical practice and health policy standards, advancement of science and research, and advocacy. ASTRO publishes two medical journals, International Journal of Radiation Oncology • Biology • Physics (www.redjournal.org) and Practical Radiation Oncology (www.practicalradonc.org); developed and maintains an extensive patient website, www.rtanswers.org; and created the Radiation Oncology Institute (www.roinstitute.org), a non-profit foundation to support research and education efforts around the world that enhance and confirm the critical role of radiation therapy in improving cancer treatment. To learn more about ASTRO, visit www.astro.org.

ABOUT ASCO
The American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) is the world’s leading professional organization representing physicians who care for people with cancer. With more than 30,000 members, ASCO is committed to improving cancer care through scientific meetings, educational programs and peer-reviewed journals. ASCO is supported by its affiliate organization, the Conquer Cancer Foundation, which funds ground-breaking research and programs that make a tangible difference in the lives of people with cancer. For ASCO information and resources, visit www.asco.org. Patient-oriented cancer information is available at www.cancer.net.

ABOUT AHNS
The American Head & Neck Society (AHNS) is the single largest organization in North America for the advancement of research and education in head and neck oncology.

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