

# 26th Annual

***Atlantic Canada Oncology***

***Group (ACOG) Symposium***

## In conjunction with

**The Canadian Association of Medical Oncologists (CAMO)**

## June 23 & 24, 2023

## The Westin Nova Scotian

**1181 Hollis Street**

## Halifax, Nova Scotia

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##### Symposium Overview

The educational focus of the 26th Annual ACOG Symposium will be Locally Advanced Breast Cancer and General Oncology Topics.

The objectives of the 26th Annual ACOG Symposium are:

* Promote cooperation among cancer centres/programs in Atlantic Canada and improve the quality of cancer care
* Understand the importance of a multidisciplinary team approach to achieving the best treatment outcomes for patients with locally advanced breast cancer
* Discuss patient selection for the various approaches to breast cancer treatment, with a focus on systemic therapy approach for locally advanced breast cancer
* Discuss the surgical management of breast cancer following neoadjuvant therapy
* Discuss the evidence-based principles of radiation therapy for locally advanced breast cancer
* Use case presentations with interactive discussion to illustrate the application of each treatment modality
* Discuss the management and treatment of patients with brain metastases
* Review the collection and relevance of patient reported outcomes
* Review the mechanism of action and toxicity of antibody-drug conjugates
* Discuss and reflect on cancer clinical care pathways and how they contribute to high quality cancer care
* Discuss respiratory complications of cancer therapies

Medical and radiation oncologists of all the Atlantic Provinces are the target audience but all physicians including surgical oncologists, general surgeons, etc., would have their needs met at this meeting. Nurses, pharmacists, researchers, residents, and any/all other healthcare providers who work or have an interest in oncology would also benefit.

##### Call for Poster Presentations

**Abstracts will be received up to Friday, May 5, 2023,** from any participant wishing to display a poster concerning their work at the symposium. Topic areas should be related to oncology including cancer issues in general. Abstracts should (i) be a maximum of 250 words and (ii) outline the objective(s) and primary emphasis of the presentation (please refer to *page x* for abstract sheet for submission). **Abstracts can be forwarded by email to** [acogsymposium@gmail.com](mailto:acogsymposium@gmail.com) **or faxed to 709-777-8756.**

It is expected that the work presented will include original data not already published. Only those posters whose abstracts have been reviewed by the organizers may be presented. Posters should be ready for viewing on Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24, 2023. Posters selected for presentation will be entitled to have registration (for one individual) to the 26th Annual ACOG Symposium waived.

### Accreditation

This one-credit-per-hour Group Learning Program meets the certification criteria of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and has been certified by the Continuing Professional Development Office of Dalhousie University for up to 7.0 Mainpro+ credits for the ACOG symposium (June 23-24, 2023) and 2.5 Mainpro+ credits for the CAGPO meeting (June 23, 2023).

This event is an Accredited Group Learning Activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and approved by Continuing Professional Development, Dalhousie University. You may claim a maximum of 7.0 hours for the ACOG Symposium and 2.5 hours for the CAGPO meeting (credits for both are automatically calculated).

Through an agreement between the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and the American Medical Association, physicians may convert Royal College MOC credits to AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM. Information on the process to convert Royal College MOC credit to AMA credit can be found at [www.ama-assn.org/go/internationalcme](http://www.ama-assn.org/go/internationalcme)

##### Planning Committee

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**Accommodations**

A block of rooms has been reserved at The Westin Nova Scotian, 1181 Hollis Street, for June 22 & 23, 2023, on a first-come first-serve basis, at a rate of $219.00 per night (traditional queen) single or double occupancy plus applicable taxes (2% marketing levy and a 15% HST). Conference rates will be available three (3) days prior and three (3) days after the event dates indicated in the Room Block, subject to availability of guest rooms and group rate at the time of reservation. Rooms are not guaranteed available prior to 3:00 p.m. though every attempt will be made to accommodate an early arrival request. Guest check-out time is 12:00 noon. The hotel must be notified of any change in departure date at least 24 hours prior to the departure in order to avoid an unexpected departure fee. Parking is currently $20.00/day for overnight guests. Complimentary Wi-Fi for guestrooms, meeting space and public area is offered by The Westin Nova Scotian.

Reservations by individual attendees can be made directly with The Westin Nova Scotian by telephone 1-888-627-8553 or through their customized website reservation system by accessing the following link, <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1644416033702&key=GRP&app=resvlink>. Rooms will be guaranteed by the individual guest by deposit of one night’s room rate or credit card. Cancellations must be received by 6:00 p.m. hotel time two (2) days prior to arrival. Please identify yourself as attending the Atlantic Canada Oncology Group conference to ensure you receive the preferred guestroom rate.

Reservations will be accepted at the group rates until the room release date of Monday, May 22, 2022.

**Travel Information**

Conference registrants are encouraged to use the official airline for the symposium – Air Canada. Please use promotion code NEBCQWU1.

Please note transportation to and from airport to hotel is the participant’s responsibility.

##### Registration

Full Early Bird Registration to Friday, May 26, 2023, will be $125.00 for physicians and pharmaceutical sponsor representatives, $50.00 for residents and students and $75.00 for all others. Registration after Friday, May 26, 2023, will be $150.00 for physicians and pharmaceutical sponsor representatives, $75.00 for residents and students and $100.00 for all others.

Registration fee will cover meals as noted in program however registration after Friday, May 26, 2023, will notcover the Friday, June 23, evening Dinner. No refunds for cancellation of registration will be issued after June 2, 2023.

Please plan to register by Friday, May 26, 2023. Registration and payment can be completed one of three (3) ways:

1. Online on the ACOG website - <http://www.acog.ca> and send registration fee via e-Transfer to [acogsymposium@gmail.com](mailto:acogsymposium@gmail.com) or send in mail (cheque/money order/cash) to address noted below in item 2.

2. Complete the registration form *(pages x & x)*, enclose payment (cheque/money order/cash) and mail to the address below:

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**Information**

**Special Dietary Needs**

If you have special dietary needs that may require special preparation, please indicate on the registration form on ***pages x & x***.

**Friday Evening Dinner**

A dinner is organized for Friday evening, June 23, 2023, at the Waterfront Warehouse, 1549 Lower Water Street, and the cost is included in the conference registration fee. **Although the cost for the dinner is included in the registration fee, sign-up is necessary. For those who may want to bring a guest(s), sign-up and pricing information is available in the registration form on *pages x & x*.**

**Affiliated Meetings**

There will be three affiliated meetings held in conjunction with this year’s ACOG Symposium at The Westin Nova Scotian. Those who are interested in any of the affiliated meetings are asked to contact the meeting coordinator below for registration and program.

1.           Atlantic Radiotherapy Conference

This meeting will be held on Thursday afternoon, June 22, and Friday morning, June 23, 2023.

For information on the agenda, how to register and registration cost, please contact Shelley Saulnier at [shelleya.saulnier@nshealth.ca](mailto:shelleya.saulnier@nshealth.ca)

2. Annual Canadian Association of Nurses in Oncology (CANO) Nova Scotia Chapter - Spring Education Session

This education session will occur on Friday morning, June 23, 2023. Breakfast will begin at 07:30 a.m. Workshop will run from 08:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Guest Speaker TBD.

Registration is required, please contact Kara Jamieson at [kara.jamieson@nshealth.ca](mailto:kara.jamieson@nshealth.ca) by June 2, 2023. Registration is free for CANO members and $10.00 for non-members.

Please visit <https://www.cano-acio.ca/page/nova_scotia_chapter> for updated information.

3. Canadian Association of General Practitioners in Oncology (CAGPO)

This meeting will be held on Friday, June 23, 2023, from 08:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and will focus on relevant cancer care issues for GPOs and Family Physicians.

No registration fee but registration is required, please contact Dr. Lori Hayward at [lori.hayward@easternhealth.ca](mailto:lori.hayward@easternhealth.ca)

**ACOG Website**

Details of the 26th Annual Atlantic Canada Oncology Group (ACOG) Symposium can be found at <http://www.acog.ca>. Any late changes or additions to the brochure will be posted on the website.

### Information - Halifax and Venues

**Halifax**

Halifax, Nova Scotia, isn’t one single destination, it’s a collection of communities and cultures, a mix of urban hustle and rural relaxation characterized by a friendly laid-back warmth and vibrant local pride. Halifax is made up of nine distinct regions that span from the picturesque Peggy’s Cove Coastal Region to bustling Downton Halifax and up along the pristine Eastern Shore. Enjoy fresh lobster dinners, kayak around hidden coves and secluded islands, tour a natural harbour via a Halifax tall ship, explore boutique shopping, attend world-class events or simply relax on the waterfront, soaking up sea air. To view the entire Halifax region and its impressive array of entertainment, attractions, fine restaurants, colorful gardens and lively nightlife visit their website. <https://discoverhalifaxns.com/plan/visitor-guide>

**The Westin Nova Scotian**

In the heart of the Halifax Seaport District, The Westin Nova Scotian offers a relaxing interlude on the Halifax Waterfront. Recently renovated guestrooms and suites offer luxurious accommodations with contemporary amenities. Take in the stunning views of the Halifax Harbour or Cornwallis Park while relaxing in their signature Heavenly Beds. With nearby shopping and abundant dining options, you will enjoy all that downtown has to offer. After a long day, refresh at their state-of-the-art fitness center, which also includes an indoor heated pool and whirlpool. <https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/yhzwi-the-westin-nova-scotian/overview>

**Waterfront Warehouse**

A classic East Coast experience is on tap at the Waterfront Warehouse. Located on the historic Halifax waterfront, Waterfront Warehouse blends fine dining with a view of the Halifax Harbour. Their oyster selection showcases the briny bounty of the Maritimes, and their tank is full of lobster and crab waiting for you to make your seafood selection. For those whose tastes lie a little more land bound, choose from a variety of pasta or a USDA Prime steak. In days gone by, oceangoing tugboats were repaired in this historic space and launched from the wharf outside. Today, authentic nautical décor evokes the energy and excitement of the seafaring age, a warm, welcoming atmosphere, perfect for digging into an Ocean Wise-certified seafood feast with friends and family. <http://www.rcr.ca/restaurants/waterfront-warehouse>

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| **26th Annual Atlantic Canada Oncology (ACOG) Symposium**  **The Westin Nova Scotian, 1181 Hollis Street, Halifax, NS**  **June 23 & 24, 2023**  **ABSTRACT SHEET FOR POSTER PRESENTATION** |
| **Title:**  **Author(s):**  **Address:**  **Telephone Number:**  **Email Address:**  **Poster Size:**    ***Abstracts must not exceed 250 words, typewritten and outline objective(s) of the presentation*** |
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**Programme Guide**

**Friday, June 23, 2023**

**11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration**

**11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. Buffet Lunch**

**Lunch Symposium (Not Accredited)**

**Chair*:***

**12:00 - 12:40 p.m.**

**12:40 - 12:50 p.m. Discussion**

**Main Programme (Accredited)**

**01:00 - 01:10 p.m. Introduction and Welcome**

*Dr. Nathan Lamond*

*Co-Chair, ACOG*

**Session I – Breast Cancer**

**Chair:**

**01:10 - 01:40 p.m. Systemic Therapy Approach for Locally Advanced Breast Cancer**

**01:40 - 01:50 p.m. Discussion**

*Dr. Christine Brezden-Masley*

**01:50 - 02:20 p.m. Surgical management of breast cancer following neoadjuvant therapy**

**02:20 - 02:30 p.m. Discussion**

*Dr. Gregory Knapp*

**02:30 - 03:00 p.m. Break/Visit Exhibits**

**03:00 – 03:30 p.m. Evidence-based principles of radiation therapy for locally advanced breast cancer**

**03:30 – 03:40 Discussion**

*Dr.**Abdulla Al Rashdan*

**03:45 - 05:00 p.m. Case Based Panel – Panel Discussion of Locally Advanced Breast Cancer Cases**

*Facilitator – Dr. Ashley Davidson*

*Medical Oncology – Dr. Christine Brezden-Masley*

*Radiation Oncology – Dr. Abdulla Al Rashdan*

*Surgical Oncology – Dr. Gregory Knapp*

**7:00 p.m. Cash Bar**

**7:30 p.m. Dinner --** *Waterfront Warehouse, 1549 Lower Water Street*

**Saturday, June 24, 2023**

**07:30 - 08:50 a.m. Buffet Breakfast**

**Breakfast Symposium (Not Accredited)**

**Chair: Dr.**

**08:00 - 08:40 a.m.**

**08:40 - 08:50 a.m. Discussion**

**Main Programme (Accredited)**

**Session II – General Oncology Topics**

**Chair**:

**09:00 - 09:30 a.m. Management and treatment of patients with brain metastases**

**09:30 - 09:40 a.m. Discussion**

*Dr. Hany Soliman*

**09:40 - 10:10 a.m.** **Patient Reported Outcomes**

**10:10 - 10:20 a.m. Discussion**

*Dr. Amanda Caissie*Me RO, Natasha McMaster (RTT) and Heather Walker (RN)

**10:20 - 10:50 a.m.** **Mechanism of action and toxicity of antibody-drug conjugates**

**10:50 - 11:00 a.m. Discussion**

*Dr. Scott Edwards*

**11:00 - 11:20 a.m. Break/Visit Exhibits**

**11:20 - 11:55 a.m. CAMO Lecture**

**Cancer Clinical Care Pathways:**

**The evolving road map to High Quality Cancer Care**

**11:55 - 12:10 p.m. Discussion**

*Dr. Christine Simmons*

**12:10 - 12:40 p.m.** **Respiratory Complications of Cancer Therapies**

**12:40 - 12:50 p.m.** Discussion

*Dr. Alex Nelson*

**12:50 - 01:00 p.m. Closing Remarks**

*Dr. Erin Powell, Co-Chair, ACOG*

##### Registration Form

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***As indicated above, registration fee to be included with registration. Please indicate method you will be using:***

ð Cheque ð Money Order ð e-Transfer

One individual per form - Information for registration badge ***(please print)***

Name

Position/Title

Organization

Address

Telephone ( ) Fax ( )

Email

Will you be attending the dinner at the Waterfront Warehouse on Friday evening, June 23, 2023?

ð Yes ð No

If yes, please indicate entrée choice:

ð Lobster ð Chicken ð Vegetarian

If you would like to bring a guest(s) to the Friday evening dinner, there will be an **additional charge of $80.00 per person**. Please indicate your intention below and include additional cost, if applicable, with your registration fee.

Will you be bringing a guest(s) to Dinner on Friday evening, June 23, 2023?

ð Yes ð No Number of Guest(s):

If yes, please indicate entrée choice for guest(s):

ð Lobster ð Chicken ð Vegetarian

**Children’s meals** (chicken fingers & fries, small beverage and scoop of ice-cream) are available at an **additional charge of $20.00 per child (age 12 and under).** Please indicate your intention below and include additional cost, if applicable, with your registration fee.

Do you require a children’s meal for Friday evening, June 23, 2023?

ð Yes ð No Number of Children:

Check, if applicable

* Do you or your guest(s) have any special dietary accommodations

* Do the child (children) have any special dietary accommodations

**Symposium seating is limited. Please register early. Please note conference dress is casual.**

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In keeping with CMA Guidelines, program content and selection of speakers are the responsibility of the Planning Committee. Support is directed toward the costs of the course and not to individual speakers through an unrestricted educational grant.

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