2017 Symposium Highlights Notable Research Advances in Genitourinary Cancers

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ORLANDO – Five studies exploring key issues in the treatment of genitourinary cancers will be presented at the 2017 Genitourinary Cancers Symposium, taking place February 16-18 at Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando, Florida. These noteworthy abstracts investigate several approaches to the treatment and management of prostate cancer, bladder cancer, and advanced kidney cancer.

Experts in genitourinary cancers are available to comment on the studies below.

Abstract 132:
Clinical significance of AR mRNA quantification from circulating tumor cells (CTCs) in men with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC) treated with abiraterone (Abi) or enzalutamide (Enza).

Poster Session A
Thursday, February 16, 2017: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM EST
Thursday, February 16, 2017: 5:15 PM - 6:15 PM EST Rosen, Gatlin Ballroom B, Level 1
John L. Silberstein, MHS
The James Buchanan Brady Urological Institute,
The Johns Hopkins Hospital
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Abstract 141:
Association of changes in circulating cell-free plasma DNA (cfDNA) and circulating tumor cells (CTC) during treatment with clinical outcome from olaparib in castration-resistant prostate cancer (CRPC): Exploratory analyses from the TOPARP-A trial.
Abstract 280:


Abstract 431:

*A phase II study of atezolizumab (atezo) with or without bevacizumab (bev) versus sunitinib (sun) in untreated metastatic renal cell carcinoma (mRCC) patients (pts).*

Abstract 434:

*Evolution of circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) profile from first-line (1L) to second-line (2L) therapy in metastatic renal cell carcinoma (mRCC).*
Oral Abstract Session C
Saturday, February 18, 2017: 1:35 PM – 1:45 PM EST
Rosen, Gatlin Ballroom C, Level 1
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About the Society of Urologic Oncology:
The Society of Urologic Oncology (SUO) was created in 1984 to enable qualified members primarily interested in the care of patients with malignant genitourinary diseases to meet for the purpose of discussion, development, and implementation of ideas to improve care. The Society and its bylaws conform to the guidelines and bylaws of the American Urological Association (AUA).

The purpose of the SUO is to develop educational and research initiatives and to study issues in urologic oncology and provide physician statements that represent a state of the art assessment of these issues to other organizations.

The Society also provides a forum for identifying the urologic oncologist as a physician with specific expertise in the study and treatment of genitourinary malignancies. In recognition of the multidisciplinary efforts involved in the study and treatment of genitourinary malignancies, the Society seeks to incorporate multiple disciplines in achieving these goals. The Society supports the activities of multiple disciplines in the common objectives of seeking an increased understanding and successful treatment of genitourinary malignancies.

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