



CAMO ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

2025



Fairmont Queen Elizabeth | Montréal, QC

Co-Chairs

Dr. Danielle Desautels, Winnipeg, MB

Dr. Arif Ali Awan, Ottawa, ON

ASM Host City Lead

Dr. Victoria Mandilaras, Montréal, QC

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

November

13-15



CAMO 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting

Thursday, November 13, 2025 | Fairmont Queen Elizabeth – Montréal, QC

12h00 – 13h30 **Networking Lunch for CAMO Committee Members** *(by invitation)*

13h30 – 15h30 **CAMO Committee Meetings** *(by invitation)*

- Human Resources Committee – Chair: Dr. Desiree Hao
- Membership Committee – Chair: Dr. Stephen Welch
- Advocacy Committee – Chair: Dr. Melanie Seal
- Communications Committee – Chair: Dr. Erin Powell
- Fellowship Committee – Chair: Dr. Dvaid Dawe
- Continuing Professional Development Committee – Chair: Dr. Ghazaleh Kazemi

12h00 – 13h30 **Career Fair Lunch & Site Presentations**

13h30 – 13h45 **Career Connections Break**

13h45 – 14h00 **Introduction by Drs. Fung, Febbraro, Mandilaras**

14h00 – 15h30 **Career GPS (Guidance, Preparation, Success)**

15h30 – 16h30 **Career Connections Break**

16h30 – 18h00 **National Mentorship Networking Reception**

18h00 – 20h30 **OncologyEducation Evening Symposium in collaboration with CAMO**

Friday, November 14, 2025 | Fairmont Queen Elizabeth – Montréal, QC

07h30 – 17h00 **CAMO Registration Desk Opens**

08h00 – 09h00 **Sponsored Breakfast Symposium** – Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc. *(unaccredited session)*

09h00 – 09h15 **Opening Remarks from CAMO President** – **Dr. Stephen Welch**

09h15 – 11h15 **CAMO Oral Presentations** (12 presentations)

11h15 – 11h45 **Refreshment Break & Networking with Exhibitors**

11h45 – 12h45 **CAMO Keynote Speaker: Science of Exercise in Cancer** – **Dr. Kerry S. Courneya**

12h45 – 13h30 **Lunch, poster viewing/judging, networking with exhibitors**

13h30 – 15h15 **MADE IN CANADA: ADVANCING PRECISION ONCOLOGY TOGETHER**

13h30 – 13h35 **Welcome by co-chairs** – **Dr. Danielle Desautels & Dr. Arif Ali Awan**

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13h35 – 14h05 Debate – Is ctDNA MRD Ready for Prime Time in Canada

Objectives (20-minute presentation (10 minutes for/against), followed by 10-minute rebuttal (5 minutes each)

At the end of the session, participants will be able to:

1. Evaluate the potential for incorporating ctDNA MRD assays into the clinical care of patients with selective cancers.
2. Understand the landscape, limitations and clinical evidence for use of ctDNA MRD assays.

For: Molecular Residual Disease (MRD) assays using ctDNA alters clinical management of Canadian patients with cancer – **Dr. David Cescon**

Against: MRD assays using ctDNA does not alter clinical management of Canadian patients with cancer – **Dr. Shantanu Banerji**

14h05 – 14h25 Provincial Perspective: Personalize my Treatment – TBC

14h25 – 14h45 Provincial Perspective: Precision Oncology in Canda – Dr. Janessa Laskin

14h45 – 15h15 Panel Discussion: What is Needed to Further Advance Precision Oncology in Canada
Drs. David Cescon, Shantanu Banerji, Gerald Batist & Janessa Laskin

15h15 – 16h45 Refreshment Break & Networking with Exhibitors

15h30 – 16h45 Annual General Meeting (CAMO Members Only)

18h00 – 18h45 CAMO Awards Gala Reception

18h45 – 19h30 Pioneer Lecture Series – Dr. Karen Gelmon

19h30 – 21h00 Dinner & CAMO Annual Achievement Awards presented by Dr. Stephen Welch

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Saturday, November 15, 2025 | Fairmont Queen Elizabeth – Montréal, QC

07h45 – 12h00 **CAMO Registration Desk Opens**

08h00 – 09h00 **Sponsored Breakfast Symposium** – GSK Inc. (*unaccredited session*)

09h15 – 16h30 **CAMO WELLNESS AND WORKFORCE STRATEGY SUMMIT: DRIVING CHANGE, PRESERVING CARE**

OVERALL OBJECTIVE

Develop a physician wellness strategy in collaboration with the Canadian Medical Oncology community that strengthens system-level approaches to reduce burnout, contribute to a more sustainable workforce and advance cancer care.

OUTCOMES

- Participants feel their expertise and lived experience have meaningfully shaped a collective approach to recommending a system-level strategy aimed at advancing Medical Oncologist (MO) wellness across Canada.
- Participants align on the key strategic priorities and enablers that will inform how the strategy is communicated, championed, and supported beyond the Summit.
- Participants identify key enablers for implementation and change management, with a focus on sustainable action to integrate physician wellness efforts across jurisdictions.

09h00 – 09h15 **Opening Remarks** – **Dr. Sharlene Gill & Dr. Simron Singh**

09h15 – 10h00 **Driving System-Level Change** – **Dr. Melanie Lewis**

10h00 – 10h15 **Overview of Strategy's Key Pillars**

10h15 – 10h30 **Break**

10h30 – 11h30 **Panel Discussion: Partner Spotlight** – **Dr. Julie Maggi, Dr. Craig Earle, Ms. Kristi MacKenzie**

10h30 – 11h50 **Founding Partner Segment**

11h50 – 12h50 **Pillar Strategies Working Session**

Group 1 – System Metrics and Workforce Planning

- National definition of MO scope of Practice
- Team-based Models of Care
- Workload formula and addressing systemic challenges within contracts

Group 2 – Reduce Administrative Burden

- Electronic Medical Records/Documentation Standards
- AI enablers
- Drug Access Approval Protocols

Group 3 – Foster a Culture of Wellness and Retention

- System for Sharing Best Practices
- Accountability
- Consideration for flexible work schedules (e.g., part-time, remote work)

12h50 – 13h20 **Lunch**

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13h20 – 14h20 **Implementation Planning Session #1**

14h20 – 15h20 **Implementation Planning Session #2**

15h20 – 15h35 **Break**

15h35 – 16h05 **Report-Out from Pillars**

16h05 – 16h20 **Closing Remarks – Dr. Sharlene Gill & Dr. Simron Singh**

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