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09:00-10:30  Supportive Care
Chairmen: Omar Shamieh, MD (KHCC)
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09:00-09:20  Key note lecture:
Patient-Physician Communication: “Understanding the Variations in the Core Concepts of End-of-Life Care by Country/Culture”
Sriram Yennu, MD (MDACC)

09:20-10:15  Abstract Presentations: (9 mins / presentation)
• Characteristics and Outcomes of Cancer Patients with Septic Shock: An 8-Year Study
Lama Nazer, MD (KHCC)
• Cancer-Related Pain: Prevalence, Severity and Management in a Tertiary Care Center in the Middle East
Nadine Hamieh, MSc (AUB)
• A Multidisciplinary Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) Project To Develop a Sepsis Protocol in an Oncology Emergency Unite Using IOWA Model
Mohammad Alawad, MD (KHCC)
• Building Community-Based Palliative Care in Lebanon: What Worked and what Didn’t
Hiba Osman, MD (Balsam)
• Thromboembolic Events in Cancer Patients on Active Treatment with Cisplatin-Based Chemotherapy; Another Look!
Hikmat Abdel Razeq, MD (KHCC)
• Outcomes of Patients with Malignancy Admitted to the Intensive Care Units (ICU): a Prospective Study
Fares Sukhon, MD (AUBMC)

10:15-10:30  Discussant: Sriram Yennu, MD (MDACC)

10:30-11:00  Coffee Break
11:00-12:30  Genitourinary Oncology  
Chairmen: Jamal Khader, MD (KHCC)  
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Deborah Mukherji, MD (NKBCI/AUBMC)

11:00-11:20  Key note lecture:  
Immunotherapy for Urological Cancers: Current State and Future Directions  
Nizar Tannir, MD (MDACC)

11:20-12:15  Abstract Presentations: (9 mins / presentation)  
- 68-Ga-PSMA-PET/CT Improves the Initial Management Plan of Patients with Intermediate and High Risk Prostate Cancer  
  Akram Al Ibraheem, MD (KHCC)  
- Nadir PSA is a Strong Predictor of Treatment Outcome in Intermediate and High Risk Localized Prostate Cancer Patients Treated by Definitive External Beam Radiotherapy and Androgen Deprivation  
  Fady Geara, MD, PhD (AUBMC)  
- Establishment and Characterization of Prostate Cancer Patient-Derived Organoids and Cells  
  Katia Cheaito, MSc (AUB)  
- Is Intensity Modulated Radiotherapy Always Superior to 3D Radiation Therapy to Treat Prostate Cancer? A Study Based on Normal Tissue Constraints and Individual Patient Anatomy  
  Ibrahim Abou Gheida, MD (AUBMC)  
- Epithelial-Mesenchymal Transition Markers in Prostate Cancer: A Pilot Case Series Study from the Lebanese Population  
  Ola Hadadeh, MD(AUBMC)  
- Investigating the Anti-Neoplastic Activities of the Retinoid-Related Molecule ST1926 on Prostate Cancer Stem Cells  
  Alissar Monzer, Msc (AUB)

12:15-12:30  Discussant: Nizar Tannir, MD (MDACC)

12:30-13:30  Therapeutic Considerations in the First Line Management of mRCC  
Symposium by Novartis  
Deborah Mukherji, MD

13:30-14:30  Lunch
14:30-16:00 **Thoracic and Head and Neck Oncology**
Chairmen: Ehab Massad, MD (KHCC)
Taher Abou Hejleh, MD
Arafat Tfayli, MD (NKBCI/AUBMC)

14:15-14:50 **Key Note Speech:**
Advances in Personalized Therapeutic Approaches for KRAS and EGFR Mutant Lung Cancers  
John Heymach, MD (MDACC)

14:50-15:45 **Abstract Presentations**: (9 mins / presentation)
- Diminished Expression of T-box Transcription Factors in Preneoplastic Lung Lesions: Translational Opportunities for Early Detection of Lung Cancer  
  Athar Khalil, MSc (AUB)
- Programmed Death-Ligand 1 (PD-L1) Expression in Non-Small Cell Lung Carcinomas (NSCLC) in Jordan  
  Maher Sughayer, MD (KHCC)
- ALK Mutation Mtatus in Middle Eastern Matients with Non-Small Cell Lung Carcinoma: A Single Institution Experience  
  Yazan Al Othman, MD (KHCC)
- Prevalence of EGFR and ALK Mutations in Lung Adenocarcinomas in the Levant Area - a Prospective Analysis  
  Arafat Tfayli, MD (AUBMC)
- Early Clinical Outcome of the First Lung SBRT Program in Jordan  
  Hamza Ghatasheh, MD (KHCC)
- Lobar Versus Sub-Lobar Surgery for Pulmonary Typical Carcinoid, a Population-Based Analysis  
  Muhammad Furqan, MD (KHCC)

15:45-16:00 **Discussant:** John Heymach, MD (MDACC)

16:00-16:40 **Opening Ceremony**
Ali Taher, MD, PhD, FRCP & FadyGear, MD, PhD (Organizers)
Hassan El Solh, M.D., FAAP, FRCP(C) (Medical Center Director/Chief Medical Officer, AUBMC)
Hilario Mata, PhD, MBA (Director, Global Academic Programs, MDACC)
Fadlo R. Khuri, MD (AUB President)
HRH Princess Ghida Talal (Chairperson of King Hussein Cancer Foundation and Center)

16:40 – 18:00 **Signing Ceremony for the Renewal of Sister Institution Agreement Between AUBMC and MDACC**
09:00-10:30  **Gastrointestinal Oncology**  
Chairmen: Faiez Daoud, MD (KHCC)  
Ali Shamseddine, MD (NKBCI/AUBMC)

09:00-09:20  **Keynote Speech:**  
Recent advances and future Outlook of systemic therapy in HCC  
Ahmed Kaseb, MD (MDACC)

09:20-10:15  **Abstract Presentations:** (10 mins / presentation)  
• Evaluation of Morphology, HER2 Status and its Clinical and Prognostic Correlation in Advanced Gastric Cancer: a Prospective Study at a Tertiary Referral Center in Lebanon  
Miza Hammoud, MD (AUBMC)  
• Colorectal Cancer Epidemiology at King Hussein Cancer Center: A Nine-Year Descriptive Analysis  
Amal Al Omari, MS, PhD (KHCC)  
• Neo-Adjuvant FOLFIRINOX in Borderline-Respectable/Locally Advanced Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma  
Sally Temraz, MD (AUBMC)  
• Concordance Between Immunohistochemistry and Microsatellite Instability Test Results as an Early Screening Tools for Patients Suspicious for Mismatch Repair  
Niveen Abdulla, M.D., FRCPath (KHCC)  
• Increase in Spleen Volume as a Predictor of Oxaliplatin toxicity  
Alissar El Chediak, MD (AUBMC)

10:15-10:30  **Discussant:** Ahmed Kaseb, MD (MDACC)

10:30-11:00  **Coffee Break**
11:00-12:30  **Gynecologic Oncology**  
Chairmen: Imad Jaradat, MD (KHCC)  
Rim Abdallah, MD (NKBCI/AUBMC)

11:00-11:30  **Keynote speech:**  
Gynecologic Oncology Updates: SGO 2017 and Beyond  
Muhieddine Seoud, MD (AUBMC)

11:30-12:15  **Abstract Presentations:** (10 mins / presentation)  
- Knowledge, Attitude and Practices Towards Fertility Preservation Among Cancer Patients: A Cross-Sectional Study at King Hussein Cancer Center  
  Lian Otay, MD (KHCC)  
- Implementation of 3D Image Guided Brachytherapy for Cervix Cancers in a Leading Cancer Care Facility in a Developing Country: A Desire for Change in the Face of Challenges  
  Abdulmajeed Dayyat, MD (KHCC)  
- Cost-Effectiveness of Increasing Cervical Cancer Screening Coverage in the Middle East: An Example from Lebanon  
  Muhieddine Seoud, MD (AUBMC)  
- Model-Based Impact and Cost-Effectiveness of Cervical Cancer Prevention in the Middle East and Northern Africa  
  Muhieddine Seoud, MD (AUBMC)

12:15-12:30  Discussant: Muhieddine Seoud, MD (AUBMC)

12:30 – 13:30  **Perspective on Clinical Trials / Research Collaboration**  
Chairperson: Amal Al Omari, MS, PhD (KHCC)  
Ali Shamseddine, MD (NKBCI/AUBMC)

Talk: Clinical Research (Nizar Tannir, MD - MDACC)

Open Discussion

13:30  Lunch

Adjourn
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