President's Message

Greetings!

As usual, I am finding that summer is moving by too quickly. It's the time of year when we slip in additional days in the sun, swims and get-aways before Labor Day makes autumn a reality. Our preparations for the SIO international conference in November are reminders that our signature event is really just weeks away.

Along with the most current integrative oncology news, I am pleased in this NewsWire to give you an update on our latest SIO conference events. Most importantly, please register now for SIO2015; through September 11, take advantage of our early-bird registration rates. This year, we also will be featuring practical information for integrative oncology providers, including mind-body practice, experiences of two cancer centers on meditation practices, and how to build an integrative oncology program. We also have workshops that meet the needs of new investigators, international collaborations, and patient advocacy. Details of these workshops are listed below.

If you have not already done so, please visit our conference web page and register. We are looking forward to your participation in the interactive dialogues throughout our multi-day conference.

Warm regards,
Suzanna Zick, ND, MPH
President, SIO

2015 Conference

SIO's early-bird registration: Early registration has been extended to September 11 for SIO's 12th International Conference to be held November 14-16 in Boston, Massachusetts. For more information about the program and to register, visit the conference webpage.

Workshops for SIO2015: Make plans to attend workshops at the 2015 SIO international conference in Boston. Sessions on November 16 will include:

- Three Mind-Body Practices for Health and Healing - 12:45-2 p.m., featuring Katherine Puckett, PhD, MS, MSW, LCSW, National Director, Mind-Body Medicine Center, Cancer Treatment Centers of America, and Alejandro
Meditation Practices Along the Cancer Care Continuum: Experiences at Two Major U.S. Cancer Centers - 2:30-3:45 p.m. Speakers will be: Kara Kelly, MD, Professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University Medical Center; Katherine Taromina, MC, LAc, Program Manager, Integrative Therapies Program / Center for Comprehensive Wellness at Columbia University Medical Center; Andrea Radossi, MS, Program and Clinical Research Coordinator for the Integrative Therapies Program in the Herbert Irving Cancer Center at Columbia University Medical Center; Lorenzo Cohen, PhD, Professor and Director of the Integrative Medicine Program at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center; and Alejandro Chaoul, PhD, Assistant Professor at MD Anderson Cancer Center, Integrative Medicine Program, Department of Palliative, Rehabilitation and Integrative Medicine.

Career Development - 2:30-3:45 p.m. The moderator will be Jeffrey D. White, MD, Director, Office of Cancer Complementary and Alternative Medicine, National Cancer Institute, NIH. Speakers will be Lynda Balneaves, PhD, RN, Director, Center for Integrative Medicine, University of Toronto; Peter Wayne, PhD, Research Director, Osher Center for Integrative Medicine; and Richard Lee, MD, Assistant Professor, Integrative Medicine Program, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center.

International Collaborations in Traditional Chinese Medicine and Cancer Research - 3:45-5 p.m. This workshop will be moderated by Jeffrey D. White, MD, Director, Office of Cancer Complementary and Alternative Medicine, National Cancer Institute, NIH. Speakers will be Libin Jia, MD, Health Science Administrator, National Cancer Institute, NIH; Hongsheng Lin, MD, Cancer Institute, China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences; Jun J. Mao, MD, MSCE, Associate Professor, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Claudia Witt, MD, Professor and Chair, Institute of Complementary and Integrative Medicine, University of Zurich; and Lorenzo Cohen, PhD, Professor and Director of the Integrative Medicine Program, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and Fudan University Cancer Hospital, Shanghai, China.

In addition, a workshop for patient advocates will be held on November 16 from 3:45-5 p.m., moderated by Luana DeAngelis, Founder and President, You Can Thrive.

Integrative Oncology News

New Book on Chinese Medicine: Misha Cohen, OMD, LAc, a member of SIO's Board of Trustees, has authored a new book, The New Chinese Medicine Handbook, which will be released on October 1. Subtitled An Innovative Guide to Integrative Eastern Wisdom With Western Practice for Modern Healing, the book includes a chapter on Cancer Support, with an integrative Chinese medicine program for supporting people through cancer diagnosis, treatment and survivorship. Read more about the book.

IM Director Opportunity: The University of Michigan Department of Family Medicine seeks an Integrative Medicine-trained, board-certified Family Physician for the position of Director of Integrative Medicine and Integrative Medicine Fellowship Director. Inquiries (with CV and letter of interest) are due October 15, 2015. Read more

Oncology Program Article: Linda Carlson, PhD, RPych, SIO Research Committee Co-Chair, writes on "How to Build an Integrative Oncology Program," in Cancer Knowledge Network, posted August 12 on line.
Dietary Supplements Article: SIO member and University of Texas Medical Branch Professor Vic Sierpina, MD, was featured in a July 1 US News and World Reports piece, "Dietary Supplements During Cancer Treatment: Yes or No?"

Meet Ting Bao, MD: Research Committee Co-Chair

Ting Bao, MD, of Memorial Sloan Kettering, is one of the Co-Chairs of SIO's Research Committee. She is an integrative medicine specialist and medical oncologist, with a special focus on patients with breast cancer. In her clinical practice and research, Dr. Bao works to "develop and deliver state-of-the-art evidence-based integrative oncology care to enhance and potentially extend survival for cancer patients."

Upcoming Events

**MD Anderson Integrative Medicine Workshop** | Oct 8-9, 2015

**SIO12th International Conference** | Nov 14-16, 2015

**Senologic International Society Congress** | May 5-8, 2016