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Canadian Kidney Cancer Forum

February 5-7, 2026

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PROGRAM



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Maryam Soleimani

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Medical Oncologist, BC Cancer, Vancouver Centre
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Meet Our International Speakers



Gennady Bratslavsky

Professor and Chair of Urology
Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Director of Prostate Cancer Program
Phillip Capozzi M.D. Endowed Professor of Urology
Upstate University Hospital, Syracuse, NY



Ramaprasad Srinivasan

Senior Investigator and Head, Molecular Cancer Section,
Urologic Oncology Branch Deputy Director,
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Meet Our Guest Speakers



Marion Cooper

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Meet Our Faculty



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Meet our Research Manager



Camilla Tajzler

KCRNC/CKCis Program Manager
Hamilton, ON

Thank You Moderators

**Bob Bick, Christina Canil, Jeffrey Graham, Daniel Heng,
Keith Lawson, Kristen McAlpine, Frédéric Pouliot,
Neil Reaume, Lori Wood**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026

16:00 - 19:00 CKCis Steering Committee Meeting (Invitation Only)
17:00 Registration Opens / Badge Pick-up | [Sutton Foyer](#)
19:00 Buffet dinner | [Sutton B](#)

SESSION I: Welcome and Advances in Localized Kidney Cancer

Moderators: Rahul Bansal, Maryam Soleimani

Meeting room: [Sutton B](#)

19:30 - 19:40 **Welcome & Introduction of Meeting From KCRNC Chair**
Tony Finelli

19:40 - 20:00 **Overview of the Program**
Rahul Bansal, Maryam Soleimani

20:00 - 20:30 **Future of Neoadjuvant and Adjuvant Trials in Kidney Cancer**
Ramaprasad Srinivasan

20:30 - 20:40 Discussion & Q/A

20:40 - 21:10 **Role of Surgery in Advanced Kidney Cancer**
Gennady Bratslavsky

21:10 - 21:20 Discussion & Q/A

21:20 - 21:25 Closing Housekeeping Notes

21:25 - 22:30 **Mix and Mingle Networking Event** | [Presidential Suite](#)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026

Scientific Sessions in Sutton B

- 08:00 - 09:00 **Networking Breakfast | Sutton Foyer | [Sutton A](#)**
- 07:30 - 08:30 CKCis Operations Committee Meeting (Invitation Only)
- 09:00 - 09:05 **Welcome by Co-Chairs**
Rahul Bansal, Maryam Soleimani

SESSION 2: Local Treatment Strategies and Multidisciplinary Management

Moderator: Jeffrey Graham, Frédéric Pouliot

- 09:05 - 09:20 **Management of Small Renal Mass**
Patrick Richard
- 09:20 - 09:25 Discussion & Q/A
- 09:25 - 09:40 **Updates on Thermal Ablation**
Oleg Mironov
- 09:40 - 09:45 Discussion & Q/A
- 09:45 - 10:05 **Role of Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT)**
Tina Zhang
- 10:05 - 10:10 Discussion & Q/A

SESSION 3: Updates on AI

Moderator: Christina Canil

- 10:10 - 10:30 **AI in Academia**
Michael Leveridge
- 10:30 - 10:35 Discussion & Q/A
- 10:35 - 10:50 **Networking Break & Poster viewing | [Sutton A, Foyer and Lower Level](#)**

SESSION 4: Adjuvant Treatment Consensus Update

Moderator: Lori Wood

- 10:50 - 11:10 **Consensus Update**
Aly Khan Lalani/Luke Lavallée
- 11:10 - 11:15 Discussion & Q/A
- 11:15 - 11:45 **Case-Based Panel Discussion: The Disease of Spectrum of Localized and Advanced Kidney Cancer**
Moderator: Dominick Bossé
Panel: Gennady Bratslavsky, Ramaprasad Srinivasan, Tina Zhang

- 11:45 - 11:50 Discussion & Q/A
- 11:50 - 12:00 **CUA Presentation**, Tiffany Pizioli, CUA CEO
- 12:00 - 12:55 **Commemorative CKCF Group Photo / Networking Lunch / Poster Viewing** | [Sutton A, Foyer and Lower Level](#)
- 12:55 - 13:20 **CKCis Publication Update & Milestones**
Rodney Breau
- 13:20 - 13:25 Discussion & Q/A

SESSION 5: Precision Medicine in Renal Cell Carcinoma

Moderators: Keith Lawson, Neil Reaume

- 13:25 - 13:50 **Surgical Management of IVC Tumor Thrombus**
Gennady Bratslavsky
- 13:50 - 13:55 Discussion & Q/A
- 13:55 - 14:20 **Hereditary RCC Programs**
Ramaprasad Srinivasan
- 14:20 - 14:25 Discussion & Q/A
- 14:25 - 14:45 **Mainstream Genetic Testing for RCC**
Kasmintan Schrader
- 14:45 - 14:50 Discussion & Q/A

SESSION 6: Kidney Cancer/Clinical Trials

Moderator: Kristen McAlpine

- 14:50 - 15:05 **What to Watch for in Kidney Cancer Trials in 2026**
Samantha Gray
- 15:05 - 15:10 Discussion & Q/A
- 15:10 - 16:30 **Pitch the Protocol**
Moderators: Rahul Bansal, Maryam Soleimani
#1: Mateus Claro, Vancouver
#2: Samuel (Sze Wah) Chan, Hamilton
#3: Mohamed Soufi, Manitoba
#4: Alexis Rompré-Brodeur, Montréal
Panel: Gennady Bratslavsky, Daniel Heng, Ramaprasad Srinivasan
- 16:30 **Grab your Break TO-GO**
- 17:00 **Departure for Group Networking Activity**, [Hotel Lobby](#)
- 20:00 - 22:00 **CKCF Networking Recognition Dinner (Family Feud Trivia)**
in [Sutton B](#)

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2026

Session Room: Sutton B

07:45 - 08:45 **Networking Breakfast** | Sutton A and Foyer**SESSION 7: Current Canadian Kidney Cancer Research**

Moderators: Bob Bick, Daniel Heng

08:45 - 09:05 **Kidney Cancer Canada Update**

Marion Cooper

09:05 - 09:10 Discussion & Q/A

09:10 - 09:25 **The Anil Kapoor Kidney Cancer Research Grant (CUASF/KCRNC/KCC) Project Update**

#1 Casimiro Gerarduzzi, University of Montréal

#2 Changsu (Larry) Park, University of Toronto

09:25 - 10:25 **The Anil Kapoor Kidney Cancer Research Grant (CUASF/KCRNC/KCC) Grant presentation**

#1 Mark Dawidek, University of British Columbia

#2 Keith Lawson, University of Toronto

#3 Rola Saleeb, University of Toronto

(13 minutes plus 7 minutes Q&A)

10:25-10:40 **Networking Break with Exhibitors**10:40 **KCRNC Abstract Poster Winners in Clinical or Basic Science Research**

Presented by Tony Finelli

11:00-11:10 **The Anil Kapoor Kidney Cancer Research Grant (CUASF/KCRNC/KCC) Winner**

Presented by KCRNC Chair, Tony Finelli and Kidney Cancer Canada Chair, Marion Cooper

11:10-11:15 **Closing Remarks**



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NOTES



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