

# San Diego Genitourinary Annual Course in Oncology (GUACO)

Presented by Scripps Cancer Center

September 26, 2026 - The Westin Carlsbad Resort - Carlsbad, California

The San Diego Genitourinary Annual Course in Oncology (GUACO) is designed to provide clinicians and advanced practitioners with a comprehensive update on the management of genitourinary malignancies, with a focus on prostate, bladder, and kidney cancers. This educational activity will feature expert faculty presentations on current standards of care, evidence-based treatment algorithms, and emerging therapeutic advances. Interactive case-based discussions and multidisciplinary panel sessions will further examine the application of new data to complex clinical scenarios. At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be better equipped to incorporate evolving treatment strategies into practice, with the goal of improving patient outcomes, enhancing quality of life, and advancing the quality of care for individuals with genitourinary cancers.

## Educational Objectives

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Describe the current landscape of prostate, bladder, and kidney cancers, including epidemiologic trends, diagnostic advances, treatment strategies, and persistent challenges in patient management.
- Evaluate current evidence-based best practices and emerging approaches in the management of localized and advanced genitourinary malignancies.
- Apply optimal clinical strategies for the appropriate use of available treatment modalities in the management of genitourinary cancers.
- Integrate multidisciplinary collaboration and shared decision-making into the management of complex genitourinary oncology cases to support coordinated care and improve clinical outcomes.

## Course Director

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## Agenda • Saturday, September 26, 2026

7:30 a.m. Registration, Breakfast & View Exhibits  
9 a.m. **Welcome & Educational Overview**  
*Ramdev Konijeti, MD*  
9:15-10 a.m. **Keynote Presentation**  
**The Role of the Surgeon in High-Risk Prostate Cancer**  
*Jim Hu, MD, MPH*  
*Ronald P. Lynch Chair in Urologic Oncology*  
*Weill Cornell Medical School*  
10 a.m. Break & View Exhibits  
**Session I: Prostate Cancer**  
10:30 a.m. **Risk Stratification and Genomic Testing of Prostate Cancer**  
*Shane Mesko, MD*  
10:45 a.m. **Focal Therapy for Prostate Cancer**  
*Jim Hu, MD, MPH*  
11 a.m. **Contemporary Role for MRI in the Management of Prostate Cancer**  
*Kathryn Fowler, MD*  
11:15 a.m. **Case Presentations/Panel Discussion/Q&A**  
11:45 a.m. Lunch

### Session II: Bladder Cancer

1 p.m. **Contemporary Management Options for Non-Muscle Invasive Urothelial Cancer**  
*Ramdev Konijeti, MD*  
1:15 p.m. **Role of ctDNA in Urothelial Carcinoma**  
*Munveer Bhangoo, MD*  
1:30 p.m. **Role of Cystectomy for Invasive and Advanced Bladder Cancer in 2026**  
*Carol Salem, MD*  
1:45 p.m. **Case Presentations/Panel Discussion/Q&A**  
2:15 p.m. Break & View Exhibits

### Session III: Kidney Cancer

2:30 p.m. **Contemporary Pathologic Classification of Kidney Cancer**  
*Marcos Lepe, MD*  
2:45 p.m. **Evaluation and Management of the Small Renal Mass**  
*Ramdev Konijeti, MD*  
3 p.m. **Management of High Risk Localized and Advanced Kidney Cancer**  
*Philip Kim, MD*  
3:15 p.m. **Case Presentations/Panel Discussion/Q&A**  
3:45 p.m. Adjourn

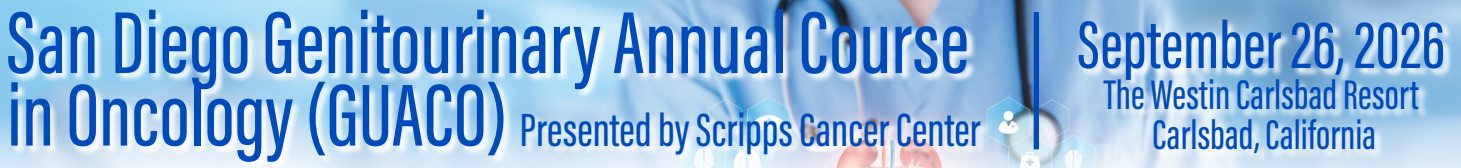
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### Register Online



	Thru Sept 11	After Sept 11
Physicians (MD, DO, MBBS)	\$300	\$350
Scripps Physicians*	\$250	\$300
RN, NP, PA, Others	\$200	\$250
Scripps RN, NP, PA, Others*	\$150	\$200
Students, Residents, Fellows**	\$100	\$150

### Course Location & Hotel Information

**The Westin Carlsbad Resort**  
5480 Grand Pacific Dr.  
Carlsbad, California 92008  
Hotel Direct: 760-827-2800

Visit the course website for details and a link to reserve a discounted room.

\*Must use a valid Scripps email address when registering.

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