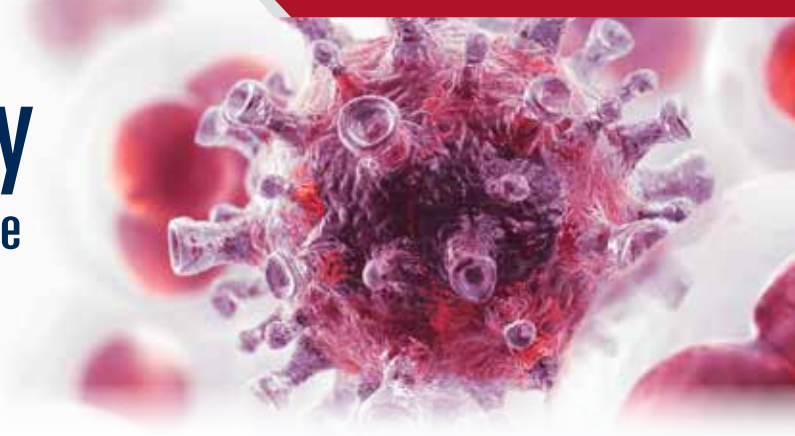
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Thursday, October 10 — Thoracic Session

7:00 a.m.	Registration / Breakfast
7:30 a.m.	Introduction Rudy Lackner, MD, FACS, FCCP
7:40 a.m.	Update on Electronic-Cigarettes and Vaping Jill Selzle, PA-C, MPAS, RVT
8:20 a.m.	Status of Lung Cancer Screening (LCS) in Non-Smokers and the Use of Biomarkers in LCS Rudy Lackner, MD, FACS, FCCP
9:00 a.m.	Update in Interventional Pulmonology J. Scott Ferguson, MD, FCCP, FACP
9:45 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m.	Pitfalls in the Diagnosis and Follow-up of Lung Cancer: A Rad-Path Perspective Matthew DeVries, MD and William West, MD
10:50 a.m.	Management of Sarcomatoid Carcinoma M. Anne Kessinger, MD
11:30 a.m.	Role of Radiation Therapy in Early Stage of Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) Jing Zeng, MD
12:10 p.m.	Lunch
12:50 p.m.	Role of Sub-lobar Resection in NSCLC David Berkheim, MD
1:30 p.m.	Do We Operate on Current Smokers? Karin Trujillo, MD
2:10 p.m.	Managing Endocrine Complications of Immunotherapy Apar Kishor Ganti, MD
2:50 p.m.	Break
3:05 p.m.	Managing Gastrointestinal (GI) Complications of Immunotherapy Loretta Jophlin, MD, PhD
3:45 p.m.	Managing Rheumatologic Complications of Immunotherapy Michael Feely, MD
4:25 p.m.	Predictors of Response to Check Point Inhibitors Whitney Goldner, MD
5:05 p.m.	Closing Remarks Rudy Lackner, MD, FACS, FCCP
5:15 p.m.	Adjourn

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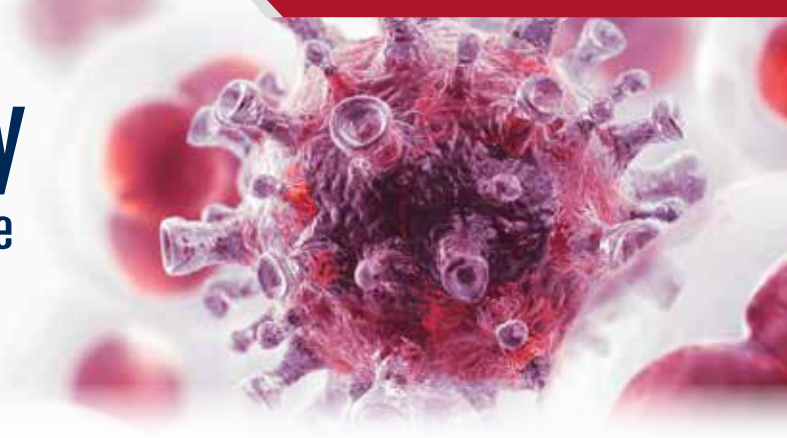
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7:15 a.m.	Registration / Breakfast
7:45 a.m.	Introduction Quan Ly, MD, FACS
UPPER GI	
7:55 a.m.	Evaluation and Management of Gastric Adenocarcinoma Bradley N. Reames, MD, MS
8:25 a.m.	Diagnosis and Endoscopic Management of Cholangiocarcinoma Ishfaq Bhat, MD
8:55 a.m.	Surgical Evaluation and Management of Cholangiocarcinoma Aaron Sasson, MD
9:25 a.m.	Immunotherapy in Upper GI Sunnie Kim, MD
10:00 a.m.	Preoperative (Pre-Op) Nutritional Evaluation and Management of GI Cancer Patients Michelle Spink, RD, LMNT
10:30 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.	Liver Lesions: Imaging to Path Elizabeth Edney, MD and Benjamin Swanson, MD, PhD
11:25 a.m.	Updates on Systemic Therapy for Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) Kelsey Klute, MD
11:50 a.m.	Chemotherapy of Octogenarians Jean Grem, MD
12:20 p.m.	Lunch
LOWER GI	
1:05 p.m.	Fertility Presentation Elizabeth Constance, MD, FACOG
1:35 p.m.	Germline Genetic Testing for Patients with Pancreatic Cancer: Opportunities, Considerations, and Challenges Terri Blase, MS, LCGC
2:05 p.m.	Evaluation and Treatment of Peritoneal Carcinomatosis and Malignant Ascites James Padussis, MD
2:35 p.m.	Long Course vs. Short Course Radiotherapy (RT) for Rectal Cancer (CA) Nathan Bennion, MD

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3:05 p.m.	Break
3:20 p.m.	Lower Rectal Cancer: Local Resection vs. Low Anterior Resection (LAR) vs. Abdominoperineal Resection (APR) Jennifer Leinicke, MD, MPHS
3:50 p.m.	Survivorship: Trials and Tribulation Rachael Schmidt, DNP, APRN, AOCNP
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