

# IRANIAN UROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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## Newsletter: Why we do it?

Iranian Urological Association has a long history of achievements preceding many scientific medical associations inside Iran and in the region. International collaborations have been a main target and we have firm scientific relationship with regional associations, EAU and SIU. IUA Board of Directors approved a decision of issuing newsletters to better inform our members and collaborators abroad about events, BOD approved

enactments, board committee activities etc. We actually believe that our members are the main players on the scene and we request that they embrace newsletters as an important venue to broadcast their new events, innovations or activities. In each issue we will improvise new design and sections to better realize our main goals on behalf of our members hence the forums will remain open for any new proposed kind of contribution

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Board of directors (BOD), Newsletter editor

**Joint SIU-IUA Webinar Series: Uro-oncology Highlights**




Abbas Basiri  
IUA President



Sanjay Kulkarni  
SIU President



Hadi Radfar  
IUA General Secretary



Jean de la Rosette  
SIU General Secretary

### November 19 Day 1 – Bladder Cancer 1600-1900 IRST (UTC+3:30)

Meeting Presidents: **Abbas Basiri**, Iran and **Sanjay Kulkarni**, India  
 Meeting Secretaries: **Hadi Radfar**, Iran and **Jean de la Rosette**, Turkey  
 Faculty: **Abbas Basiri**, Iran, **Peter Black**, Canada, **Mehdi Kardoost**, Iran, **Badrinath Konety**, United States, **Ahmad Mafi**, Iran, **Bahram Mofid**, Iran, **Nasser Shakhs-Salim**, Iran, **Ali Tabibi**, Iran

**1600-1605**  
**Welcome:** Abbas Basiri  
**1605-1610**  
**Introduction:** Sanjay Kulkarni

**Moderators:** Badrinath Konety and Abbas Basiri  
**1610-1625**  
**Optimal Management of T1 Bladder Cancer – Peter Black**  
**1625-1635**  
**Q & A**

**1635-1650**  
**Lymphadenectomy in Bladder Cancer – Ali Tabibi**  
**1650-1700**  
**Q & A**

**Moderators:** Peter Black and Ali Tabibi  
**1700-1730**  
**Case Discussion – Mehdi Kardoost, Badrinath Konety, Nasser Shakhs-Salim, Ahmad Mafi**  
**1730-1745**  
**Biomarkers in Bladder Cancer – Badrinath Konety**

**1745-1755**  
**Q & A**  
**1755-1810**  
**Cystectomy: Which Diversion is Best? – Abbas Basiri**  
**1810-1820** Q & A

**Moderators:** Badrinath Konety and Abbas Basiri  
**1820-1850**  
**Case Discussion – Peter Black, Mehdi Kardoost, Bahram Mofid, Nasser Shakhs-Salim**  
**1850-1855**  
**Take-Home Messages – Hadi Radfar**

**1855-1900**  
**SIU Highlights – Jean de la Rosette**

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## IUA President Message

Taking this opportunity for granted I send my best greetings to my colleagues inside the country and abroad and wish their health and happiness in the dark age of corona virus depredation from the depth of my heart. After a long time of impatient anticipation IUA newsletter has now emerged as a hot line between board of directors and members. BOD members have most sincerely



**Board of directors(BOD) eagerly awaits your enthusiastic innovations and contributions**

**Dr Basiri**

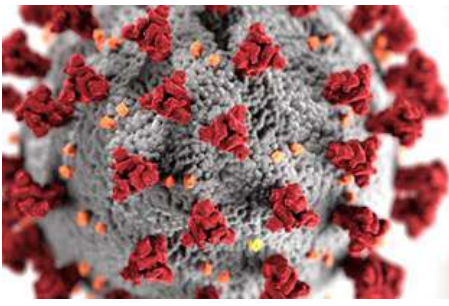
**IUA President**

endowed their best efforts to upgrade scientific and career conditions of urologists and promote service to the patients and now we embrace this new pathway to communicate our proceedings, hopes and plans with our members and collaborators. I also appreciate Dr Ghahestani to undertake this marvellous enterprise and eagerly await your enthusiastic innovations and contributions

The screenshot shows a mobile browser view of the website [siu-urology.org](http://siu-urology.org). The page features the SIU logo, a user profile icon, and a search icon. The main heading is "SIU Webinar". Below it, the text reads "SIU-IUA Webinar Series: Uro-Oncology" with dates "Nov 19-20; 26-27" and "Online via Zoom". A banner for "Joint SIU-IUA Webinar Series: Uro-oncology Highlights" includes logos for SIU and IUA. The bottom text states: "The SIU-IUA Urooncology Highlights webinar series is a collaboration between the Société Internationale d'Urologie (SIU) and the Iranian".

## SIU-IUA JOINT URO-ONCOLOGY

**SI-IUA joint uro-oncology webinar was held on Nov 19 and 20 and is planned also for the following week. The executive secretary was Dr Hadi Radfar on Iran side and Prof De La Rosette on behalf of SIU. The first day was allocated to bladder cancer and 20th Nov to prostate cancer. The following week is allocated to kidney and testis cancer. SIU speakers are Prof De La Rosette, Prof Peter Black, Prof Laurence Klotz, Prof Knotty and Prof Kulkarni. The first week encountered enthusiastic acclaim by 500 audience and about 250 participants on the board any time. Actually about 40% of Iranian urologists participated in the meeting for any length of time. Presence of participants from neighbouring countries was flagrant and the lectures and debates were highly interactive. If you have missed the first week, Don't worry and stay on board. The second week tournament is quickly approaching!**



# COVID-19

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019

## ***IUA-CTP: A national indigenous urology practice advisory in COVID-19 era***

Iranian Urology Association made a great effort to assist Iranian urologists to encounter COVID 19 in many aspects including scheduling urological operations along other global and regional organisations. These efforts attained a remarkable mile stone with IUA-CTP 3 (Iranian Urology Association Taskforce Pamphlet) which was published in Urology Journal <https://doi.org/10.22037/uj.v16i7.6372>.

This provided a solid platform for further updates with emergence of new epidemiologic data. This pamphlet has a unique vantage which makes it peerless among similar guidelines and recommendations. The regional epidemiologic data in any single province were incorporated in decision making for scheduling any urology procedure with an assigned individual priority and threw a forecast for threshold of endemic steady state in any distinct province. The goal was to decide how long a postponement may be beneficial at that particular point and that particular location and elaborately recognised some ubiquitous postponement strategies may end up with doing a procedure in a worse situation.

You can find the updated versions on IUA official site.

## **We try to make court process smoother**



Legal medicine committee with perseverance and pursuit of Dr Nikoobakht has been one of the most thriving divisions of director board. Most recently with inceptive suggestion of this committee a meeting with legal medicine organization was held. Participants of our side were Dr Nikoobakht, Dr Simforoosh and Dr Inanloo. Agreements were achieved in four agenda.

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- In sessions related to cases overlapping with other disciplines e.g. pediatric urology , presence of a urologist suggested by IUA as the jury member was settled on.
- Jury members were to be selected with at least 5 years of practice experience.
- Invocation process and primary explanations were to be done via fax and online methods.
- Education centers were agreed to receive a more empathic and extenuative approach due to difficult cases and special functionality.

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## IUA Board of Directors meet educational deputy minister to curtail overloaded urology workforce



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Educational deputy of health minister, Dr Haghdoost responded to a request for meeting by IUA Board of directors on 22 Nov 2020 at health ministry building. The main purpose was discussing the resident program recruitment number which has been increasingly related with problems in training and overloaded workforce after graduation. A pamphlet of targeted census of urologist over

the country led by IUA Guild committee and supervision of Dr Sharifi aghdas was presented. According to a frequently heard –but actually inaccessible document– the projected workforce for 2022 was 1248 active urologists. IUA survey denoted that 1365 urologists are actively working either in governmental or private service-hence the target is already achieved and beyond. The detailed report of the meeting would be lengthy and beyond the concise nature of newsletter. However Dr Haghdoost asserted the difference between the statistics may be ascribed to definition of “active urologist” and concept of “fulltime equivalent”. Dr Haghdoost emphasized : We keep our ears open to your suggestions or any detection of fault in methodology. The files are no ways closed and the process and documents are continuously revised. Further meeting with ministry experts was scheduled and Deputy minister ordered that reports must be delivered to him personally. Along this main topic, problems about limitations of CME credits in webinars, Tariffs and their effects on education and minimum access to instruments for recently graduated urologists were also discussed in detail.



# Guild Committee Remains Committed



At the beginning of the new tenure of board of directors and after a too hot election for a scientific association **Dr Sharifi Aghdas** accepted the responsibility of the guild committee which was the committee probably most criticised at the end of the tenure. She says: I accepted the responsibility because it was my main apprehension

Since the election. At the beginning we did a live survey by a face to face questionnaire. We wanted to know what were the main interests of our colleagues apart from scientific activities. Priorities were-and I am not supposed to rank among them: Residential program admission capacity, Tariffs and Overlaps. We had several meetings about curricula including female and pediatric urology with contestable overlaps with pediatric surgery and gynecology. The aim was delivering the best health service. The curricula were corrected in many aspects and consigned to the ministry. The items of urodynamic study and SWL were particularly emphasized. For tariffs a session with ministry delegates was organized at the last live annual congress. Most prominently and since 6 months ago all efforts were targeted for a comprehensive data base of urologists all over the country. Four archives were fully explored and all urologists were asked by phone call. The result is a noticeable pamphlet which led to an important meeting with educational deputy of health ministry and will ensue multiple meetings and detailed discussions. The meeting is reported in a section of newsletter. The last word is: The committee does best to remain committed to its promises despite the very despondent and difficult incurring conditions.

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