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## **33<sup>rd</sup> Edward J. Tabah Visiting Professor in Surgical Oncology**

**April 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2023**



Hybrid Surgical Grand Rounds Link:  
<https://mcgill.zoom.us/j/87641475718>

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Associate Professor David Gyorki is a consultant surgical oncologist at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre and Olivia Newton John Cancer Centre in Melbourne, Australia, specializing in the management of patients with melanoma and soft tissue sarcoma. He is also the Research and Education Lead in Melanoma and Skin Cancer at the Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre.

During his surgical training, Dr. Gyorki completed an MD degree at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute studying the role of macrophages in the stem cell niche. After completing his surgical training at St Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne, Dr. Gyorki undertook a fellowship in complex surgical oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Centre in New York.

Dr. Gyorki has a strong research interest and previously held a Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre Clinician Researcher Fellowship. His main research interest is in translational melanoma immunology specifically in understanding the prognostic role of the tumour-immune microenvironment and he has developed strong collaborations in this area at Peter Mac, the University of Melbourne and Walter and Eliza Hall Institute. Dr. Gyorki is involved in a number of large international collaborative studies in both melanoma and retroperitoneal sarcoma and is co-Principal Investigator on a number of surgical trials as well as trials of novel therapies. Dr. Gyorki is heavily involved in guideline development as a member of the ASCO Systemic Therapy for Melanoma Guideline expert panel as well as a member of Australian guideline working groups for melanoma and sarcoma. Dr. Gyorki is passionate about mentoring surgical trainees in research methodologies and supervises a number of junior doctors and scientists at various levels of training.

Dr. Gyorki is an editorial board member of the Journal of Surgical Oncology and Annals of Surgical Oncology.

# PROGRAM

**WEDNESDAY, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

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1:00 pm **INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS**

— Dr. Sinziana Dumitra

— Dr. Roger Tabah

1:05 pm **CONFERENCE BY VISITING PROFESSOR**

***“The importance of global collaboration to improve outcomes for patients with soft tissue sarcoma”***

— Dr. David Gyorki

In-person location: DS1.1427

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm **BREAK**

2:15 pm **CASE PRESENTATIONS AND DIVISION DEBATE**

6:00 pm **RECEPTION AND DINNER** (by invitation only)

Location:

Mount Royal Club Lord Shaughnessy Room

1175, Sherbrooke St. West

**THURSDAY, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

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7:30 am **SURGICAL GRAND ROUNDS**

***“Neoadjuvant therapy for melanoma – the culmination of a decade of progress in melanoma immunotherapy”***

— Dr. David Gyorki

In-person location: DS1.1427

Virtual Option : <https://mcgill.zoom.us/j/87641475718>



**THE CEDARS CANCER FOUNDATION** is proud to sponsor and welcome **Dr. David Gyorki** as the 33rd Edward J. Tabah Visiting Professor of Surgical Oncology at the McGill University Health Centre. Established in 1990 by the Cedars Cancer Foundation in honour of Dr. Edward J. Tabah, its objective is to bring to the MUHC on an annual basis a renowned world expert in the field of surgical oncology thus providing healthcare professionals firsthand access to the latest developments and technologies in surgical oncology. This prestigious visiting professorship is an integral part of the educational program in Oncology and Surgery at the MUHC.

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The Cedars Cancer Foundation at the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) was established in 1966 originally as the Harley Chamandy Memorial Fund of the Royal Victoria Hospital and later as the Cedars Cancer Research Fund. A dedicated group from the Lebanese community of Montreal planted the seeds for what is today the Cedars Cancer Foundation.

The original purpose of the organization was, and continues to be, to raise funds for the betterment of cancer care at the MUHC. Cedars’ beginnings focused on research and the purchase of state-of-the-art diagnostic and therapeutic equipment. For more than 55 years, efforts have leaned toward patient care and cancer education. A network of psycho-social and humanitarian support for the cancer patients and their families is provided through the Cedars CanSupport program and the Wilfrid Howick Humanitarian Endowment Fund. Cedars’ strong commitment to cancer education is demonstrated by the creation of the Henry R. Shibata Fellowship Fund, providing cancer specialists with the opportunity to further their education in order to benefit the hospital, university and, above all, cancer patients.

Thanks to the generosity of loyal donors, Cedars has created seven Annual Visiting Professors in Oncology, which bring world-renowned researchers, educators, and physicians to the McGill teaching hospitals: The Vivian Saykaly Visiting Professor in Medical Oncology, The Edward J. Tabah Visiting Professor in Surgical Oncology, The Dr. Blair N. Whittemore Visiting Professor of Sarah’s Fund for Cedars in Pediatric Hematology/ Oncology, The Dr. Sharon Wexler Visiting Professor in Neuro-Oncology, The Tom & Gwen Nacos Visiting Professor in Palliative & Supportive Care, The Florence Flinker Visiting Professor in Colorectal Surgical Oncology, and The Dr. Carolyn Freeman Visiting Professor in Radiation Oncology.

**PREVIOUS EDWARD J. TABAH VISITING PROFESSORS IN SURGICAL ONCOLOGY**

2022	Dr. Chandrajit P. Raut	2010	Dr. Kris Jardon
2020	Dr. Peter Angelos	2009	Dr. Alan D.M. Turnbull
2019	Dr. Mark I. van Berge Henegouwen	2008	Dr. Sylvie Bonvalot
2018	Dr. David Shibata	2007	Dr. Kenneth K. Tanabe
2017	Dr. Alessandro Gronchi	2006	Dr. Hartly Stern
2016	Dr. Ron DeMatteo	2005	Dr. Blake Cady
2015	Dr. Electron Kebebew	2004	Dr. Theodore N. Papas
2014	Dr. Monica Morrow	2003	Dr. Joel Sheinfeld
2013	Dr. Daniel Coit	2002	Dr. Peter Pister
2012	Dr. Kelli Bullard Dunn	2001	Dr. Stimson Schantz
2011	Dr. Harushi Osugi	2000	Dr. Alfred M. Cohen