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ASCO to Convene Global Summit on Latest Innovations in Technology and Cancer

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – Advances in medicine and technology are emerging faster than ever before. To harness this momentum, the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) is convening Breakthrough: A Global Summit for Oncology Innovators – a new meeting focused on the intersection of medicine, scientific discovery, and innovations in technology. The inaugural meeting will take place October 11-13, 2019 at the Centara Grand Hotel at CentralWorld in Bangkok, Thailand.

“Breakthrough will be like no meeting ASCO has ever held,” said Monica M. Bertagnolli, MD, FACS, FASCO, ASCO President. “ASCO is stepping forward to bring together leaders in medicine and technology to address the challenges affecting the practice of oncology now and in the future.”

This year’s meeting will be cohosted with the Thai Society of Clinical Oncology (TSCO) and planned in collaboration with many other regional oncology societies. Future meetings will be hosted in different cities across Asia, where significant advances in technology are rapidly emerging.

“The Thai Society of Clinical Oncology has enjoyed our longstanding collaboration with ASCO,” said Professor Ekaphop Sirachainan, President of TSCO. “This new meeting is a tremendous opportunity for our Society and Thailand to be part of bringing together exciting innovations in cancer and technology.”

Breakthrough will inspire research ideas, offer access to advances in technologies that can be applied to solving real-world problems, and promote peer-to-peer collaboration. The meeting will feature rapid abstract presentations, new applications and demonstrations of hands-on wearables, podcast recording stations, and crowdsourcing opportunities.

“This is the only global summit designed for oncology innovators, thought leaders, and early adopters of clinical change,” said Tony S. K. Mok, MD, FRCPC, FASCO, Chair of the Program Committee for Breakthrough. “We’re developing a program that will foster engaging dialogue and provide networking and information-sharing opportunities, with the ultimate goal of improving the care for patients with cancer worldwide.”

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