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# School of GYN Brachytherapy

June 28 – 29, 2009

Knickerbocker Hotel  
Chicago, Illinois



**American  
Brachytherapy  
Society**

# An Invitation to Join Us



Dear Colleagues,

We eagerly anticipate an exciting educational program for this year's GYN Brachytherapy School. The fundamentals of brachytherapy of cervical, endometrial, and vaginal cancer will be discussed by world-renowned experts from the U.S. and France. In light of recent publications in image-guided gynecologic brachytherapy, the school will also include a contouring workshop, in which participants will actively explore new guidelines by contouring cases with supervision on computer terminals. Featured sessions on vaginal cancer and endometrial cancer, with panel discussions of difficult cases, will also be included on our agenda. We look forward to seeing you in the great city of Chicago.

Sincerely,

Akila Viswanathan, MD, MPH  
Program Chair, 2009 GYN Brachytherapy School

### **Accreditation and Credit Statement**

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) School of Medicine and American Brachytherapy Society. VCU is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Physicians may claim up to 14.5 hours in Type 1 or Type 2 CME on the Virginia Board of Medicine Continued Competency and Assessment Form required for renewal of an active medical license.

VCU designates this educational activity for a maximum of 14.5 **AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This continuing education activity meets the criteria of Virginia Commonwealth University and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. 1.4 CEUs will be awarded and recorded with the University.

### **Target Audience**

The target audience for this educational school includes radiation oncologists, medical physicists, dosimetrists and medical residents practicing in the field of brachytherapy, including those that wish to learn more about the specific specialty of GYN brachytherapy.

### **Conflict of Interest and Off-Label/Disclosure Statement**

Presenters at this conference will disclose any conflict of interest or their intention to discuss off-label use, if applicable, in accordance with ACCME Standards and FDA requirements. Conflicts of interest will be disclosed in print or in the final meeting materials.

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## Invited Faculty for ABS GYN Brachytherapy School

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Jason Rownd, MS  
Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

Julian Schink, MD  
Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

William Small, MD  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Chicago, IL

Catherine Yashar, MD  
University of California, San Diego, CA

# Learning Objectives

The ABS 2009 GYN Brachytherapy School will allow participants to be able to:

1. Discuss the MR anatomy of the female pelvis
2. Analyze GEC-ESTRO guidelines for image-based brachytherapy
3. Receive instruction in a contouring workshop for 3D image-based brachytherapy for cervix cancer
4. Discuss endometrial cancer management including indications for vaginal brachytherapy in early stage disease, interstitial therapy for recurrent disease, and intracavitary brachytherapy for inoperable disease
5. Examine the complications of gynecologic brachytherapy
6. Evaluate insertion techniques and treatment planning for cervical cancers
7. Review the management of vaginal cancers with brachytherapy



# ABS School of Gyn Brachytherapy

## Sunday, June 28, 2009: Cervical Cancer Contouring Workshop

8:00-8:30am	Continental Breakfast and Exhibit Time (provided by ABS)
8:30-8:35am	Welcome to Course Akila Viswanathan, MD, MPH
8:35-8:55am	Review of Radiologic Anatomy of the Female Pelvis <b>Speaker:</b> Mark Hohenwalter, MD
8:55-9:00am	Questions
9:00-9:20am	Overview of Target and Organ Delineation in Cervical Cancer Brachytherapy: GEC-ESTRO 3-D Recommendations <b>Speaker:</b> Beth Erickson, MD
9:20-9:50am	Update on Developments: GEC-ESTRO Perspective <b>Speaker:</b> Christine Haie-Meder, MD
9:50-10:00am	Questions
10:00-10:15am	Coffee Break and Exhibit Time
10:15-11:00am	Clinical and Radiological Case Presentation Case #1 <b>Speaker:</b> Christine Haie-Meder, MD
11:00am-12:00pm	Contouring Case #1 All attendees participate in contouring on workstations; all faculty assist participants with contouring
12:00-12:15pm	Review of Ideal Contours, Case #1 <b>Speaker:</b> Christine Haie-Meder, MD
12:15-1:30pm	Lunch (provided by ABS)
1:30-2:00pm	Presentation: Case #2 <b>Speaker:</b> Christine Haie-Meder, MD
2:00-3:00pm	Contouring Case #2 All attendees participate in contouring on workstations; all faculty assist participants with contouring
3:00-3:30pm	Review of Ideal Contours, Case #2 <b>Speaker:</b> Christine Haie-Meder, MD
3:30-3:45pm	Coffee Break and Exhibit Time
3:45-4:15pm	Clinical and Radiological Case Presentation Case #3 <b>Speaker:</b> Christine Haie-Meder, MD
4:15-4:45pm	Contouring Case #3 All attendees participate in contouring on workstations; all faculty assist participants with contouring
4:45-5:00pm	Review of Ideal Contours, Case #3
5:30-7:00pm	Welcome Reception and Exhibit Time

## Monday, June 29, 2009

8:00-8:30am	Continental Breakfast and Exhibit Time (provided by ABS) <b>Endometrial Cancer</b>
8:30-9:45am	Endometrial Cancer: Management Controversies <b>Speakers:</b> William J. Small, Jr., MD Julian Schink, MD
9:45-10:00am	Questions
10:00-10:20am	Vaginal Cylinder Dose Specification <b>Speaker:</b> Jason Rownd, MS
10:20-10:40am	Recurrent Endometrial Cancer: 3D Image-Based Interstitial Therapy <b>Speaker:</b> Akila Viswanathan, MD
10:40-11:00am	Interstitial Brachytherapy: Treatment Planning – HDR and LDR <b>Speaker:</b> Bruce Thomadsen, PhD
11:00-11:10am	Coffee Break and Exhibit Time
11:10-11:30am	Inoperable Endometrial Cancer <b>Speaker:</b> Catheryn Yashar, MD
11:30-11:50am	Inoperable Endometrial Cancer: Treatment Planning <b>Speaker:</b> Jason Rownd, MS
11:50-12:00am	Questions
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch (provided by ABS)
1:00-1:30pm	Complications of Gynecologic Brachytherapy <b>Speaker:</b> David Gaffney, MD, PhD <b>Vaginal Cancer</b>
1:30-2:00pm	Vaginal Cancer: Update on Management <b>Speaker:</b> Patricia Eifel, MD
2:00-2:30pm	Vaginal Cancer: Difficult Case Presentations <b>Speakers:</b> Beth Erickson, MD: HDR Patricia Eifel, MD: PDR
2:30-2:45pm	Coffee Break and Exhibit Time

## Cervical Cancer

2:45–3:15pm	Tandem-Based HDR Brachytherapy for Cervical Cancer Applicator Selection and Insertion Techniques <b>Speaker:</b> Akila Viswanathan, MD
3:15–3:45pm	Overview of PDR / LDR for Cervical Cancer <b>Speaker:</b> Patricia Eifel, MD
3:45–4:15pm	Cervix: Dose Specification in HDR <b>Speaker:</b> Beth Erickson, MD
4:15–4:45pm	Cervix: Treatment Planning <b>Speaker:</b> Jason Rownd, MS
4:45pm	Concluding Remarks

*Topics, times and speakers are subject to change. The views expressed by speakers are not necessarily the views of the American Brachytherapy Society.*



# Important Deadline Information

Meeting Registration Deadline:

**May 25, 2009**

Hotel Reservation Deadline:

**June 5, 2009**

Meeting Cancellation Deadline:

**June 12, 2009**

*Any cancellations or no-shows after this date will be charged the full registration fee. Registration fee can be applied to a future ABS educational event.*

**Visit the ABS website at [www.americanbrachytherapy.org](http://www.americanbrachytherapy.org).**

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**April 29 – May 1  
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## General Information

### Hotel Accommodations at the Knickerbocker Hotel

To ensure accommodations, please contact the Knickerbocker Hotel at 800-621-8140 or 312-751-8100 and remember to identify yourself as an ABS attendee.

The deadline for reservations is **June 5, 2009**.

The room rate for the ABS meeting is \$199 single / \$239 double.  
The hotel is located at 165 East Walton Street.

### Henschke and Hilaris Resident Travel Fellowships

There will be a limited number of Henschke Resident Travel Fellowships sponsored by Best Medical for this meeting (\$500 per Resident with a maximum of two Residents per institution). If interested in applying, email a letter of support to the ABS at: [rguggolz@drohanmgmt.com](mailto:rguggolz@drohanmgmt.com).

### Airline Reservations

For airline and flight options, you may contact Omega Travel in Arlington, Virginia, at 703-243-9009.

### Car Rental

The American Brachytherapy Society has selected Avis as the official car rental company for the 2009 ABS GYN School. Avis has given CSE a discount rate good for one week both before and after the meeting. To receive the best car rental rates available, call the Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) telephone number 800-331-1600 and mention the AWD ID number, J868025.

### Americans with Disabilities Act

Individuals needing auxiliary aids or services as identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact Executive Director, Rick Guggolz at ABS at 703-234-4078, extension 4070.

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- Other
- ADA: Please check here if under the Americans with Disabilities Act, you may require special accommodations or services in order to attend. You will be contacted by ABS.
- Special Dietary Note: Please check here if you have any special dietary requests.

Note: \_\_\_\_\_

**School Registration** *(Please print clearly and list name(s) as you would like them to appear on your badge.)*

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**Image-Guided Workshop on Sunday, June 28, 2009**

Mark your preference for either the Varian System (Brachyvision) or Nucletron System (OncentraGyne) laptop software for use during the contouring program. We hope to provide a laptop for every participant.

- Varian
- Nucletron

**GYN Brachytherapy School Meeting Registration Fees**

- ABS Member \$500 one day (indicated day:  Sunday  Monday)  \$750 two days
- Non-Member \$750 one day (indicated day:  Sunday  Monday)  \$1,000 for two days
- Resident (no registration fee)

**After May 25, participants should add a \$50 late fee for each registration.**

**Three Easy Ways to Register**

- 1. MAIL** this form, with a check or credit card information to:  
Wachovia Bank / ABS  
P.O. Box 758956  
Baltimore, MD 21275-8956
- 2. FAX** this form with credit card information to (703) 435-4390.
- 3. Register on-line** at  
[www.americanbrachytherapy.org](http://www.americanbrachytherapy.org)

**Payment (Please make all checks payable to ABS)**

- Check enclosed made payable to ABS or
  - Credit Card Payment
- For multiple attendees from the same employer, you may deduct \$50 from the second (and subsequent) registration(s).*

**Credit Card Information**

- MasterCard  VISA  American Express

Name on Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_

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