

# 2024 UPMC Multidisciplinary Thyroid Cancer Symposium

## Clinical Updates in Management of Thyroid and Parathyroid Diseases

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### Virtual Event

Saturday, Nov. 16, 2024  
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST

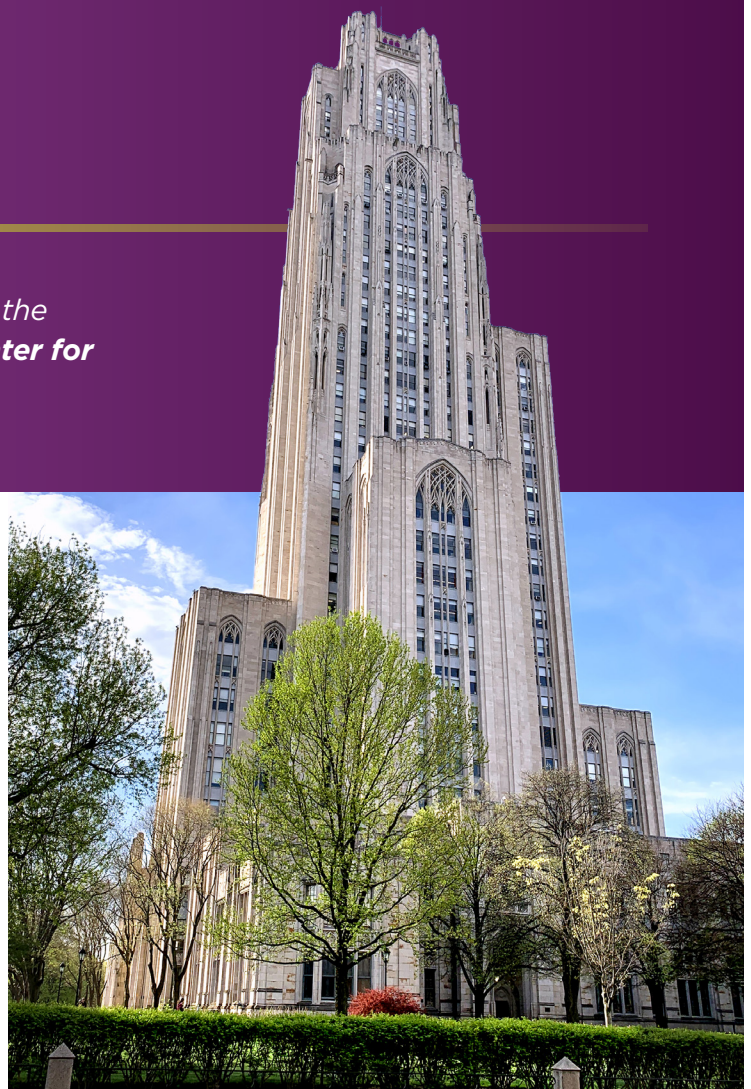
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### Course Directors

Elena M. Morariu, MD  
Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS

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## Program Goal

This course is designed to cover the most recent advances in the therapy of benign and malignant thyroid diseases, including methods of detection, treatment, and research. Upon completion of this activity, learners from several disciplines should be able to discuss current strategies and updates in diagnosis and management of hyperthyroidism, thyroid nodules and cancer, and surgical complications, based on the latest guidelines and newest technology.

## Who Should Attend

This course is designed for physicians, nurses, and other health care professionals practicing in the areas of Endocrinology, Surgical, Medical, and Radiation Oncology, Nuclear Medicine, Pathology, General and Endocrine Surgery, and Otolaryngology.

## Continuing Education Credit

In support of improving patient care, the University of Pittsburgh is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the health care team.

## Physician (CME)

The University of Pittsburgh designates this live activity for a maximum of *7.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

## Nursing (CNE)

The maximum number of hours awarded for this Continuing Nursing Education activity is 7.25 contact hours.

## Physician Assistant (AAPA)

The University of Pittsburgh has been authorized by the American Academy of PAs (AAPA) to award AAPA Category 1 CME credit for activities planned in accordance with AAPA CME Criteria. This activity is designated for 7.25 AAPA Category 1 CME credits. PAs should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

Other health care professionals will receive a certificate of attendance confirming the number of contact hours commensurate with the extent of participation in this activity.

**This is a virtual event. Participants must register in advance and use the following link to participate:**

**[UPMC.com/ThyroidSymposium](https://www.upmc.com/ThyroidSymposium)**

## Saturday, November 16, 2024 | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. EST

- 8:30 a.m.      **Opening Remarks**  
Elena M. Morariu, MD  
Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS  
*Special Guest Welcome: Sally E. Carty, MD, FACS*
- 8:40 a.m.      **Thyroid Imaging with CT and MRI**  
Biatta Sholosh, MD
- 9 a.m.         **Current Concepts in Thyroid Cytology**  
N. Paul Otori, MD
- 9:20 a.m.     **Updates in Thyroid Molecular Testing**  
Yuri E. Nikiforov, MD, PhD
- 9:40 a.m.     **Keynote Speaker: Thyroid Nodule Guideline Update**  
Sarah Mayson, MD  
University of Colorado  
Division of Endocrinology, Metabolism and Diabetes
- 10:40 a.m.    **Q&A**  
Moderator: Elena Morariu, MD
- 10:50 a.m.    **Break/E-Visit with Vendors**
- 11 a.m.        **Operative Approach to Thyroidectomy**  
Linwah Yip, MD, FACS
- 11:20 a.m.    **Vocal Cord Paralysis and Management**  
Sandra Stinnett, MD
- 11:40 a.m.    **Updates in Thyroid Pathology**  
Raja R. Seethala, MD
- 12 p.m.        **Hyperthyroidism and Thyroid Eye Disease Updates**  
Esra Karslioglu French, MD  
S. Tonya Stefkó, MD
- 12:20 p.m.    **Q&A**  
Moderator: Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS
- 12:30 p.m.    **Lunch/E-Visit with Vendors**

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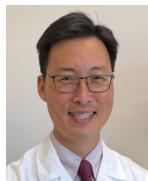
- 1 p.m.            **External Beam Radiation Therapy in Advanced Thyroid Cancer**  
Yvonne Mowery, MD, PhD
- 1:20 p.m.        **Guest Speaker: Thyroid Radiofrequency Ablation**  
Jules Aljammal, MD, ECNU
- 1:40 p.m.        **Systemic Therapy in Advanced Thyroid Cancer Management**  
Dan Zandberg, MD
- 2 p.m.            **Keynote Speaker: Primary Hyperparathyroidism —  
Clinical Updates and Surgical Management**  
Michael W. Yeh, MD, FACS  
UCLA  
Division of Endocrine Surgery
- 3 p.m.            **Q&A**  
Moderator: Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS
- 3:10 p.m.        **Break/E-Visit with Vendors**
- 3:20 p.m.        **Current Management of Medullary Thyroid Cancer**  
Alaa Sada, MD
- 3:40 p.m.        **Panel Discussion: Interesting Cases —  
Advanced Thyroid Cancer and Parathyroid Disease**  
Moderators: Elena M. Morariu, MD, and Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS  
Panelists:  
Kelly L. McCoy, MD, FACS  
Jessica Maxwell, MD, MPH, FACS  
Sarah Mayson, MD  
Michael W. Yeh, MD, FACS
- 4:20 p.m.        **Q&A**  
Moderator: Elena M. Morariu, MD
- 4:30 p.m.        **Adjournment**  
Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS  
Elena M. Morariu, MD

## Keynote Speakers



### **Sarah Mayson, MD**

Associate Professor of Medicine;  
Division of Endocrinology,  
Metabolism and Diabetes  
University of Colorado School  
of Medicine  
Aurora, CO



### **Michael W. Yeh, MD, FACS**

Professor of Surgery and Medicine;  
Medical Director  
UCLA Health Endocrine Center  
Department of Surgery,  
Division of Endocrine Surgery  
Los Angeles, CA

## Guest Speaker



### **Jules Aljammal, MD, ECNU**

Board-certified Endocrinologist,  
The Thyroid Clinic Utah;  
Founder and First President,  
North American Society of  
Interventional Endocrinologists  
Salt Lake City, UT

## UPMC Faculty



### **Sally E. Carty, MD, FACS**

Professor, Division of Endocrine Surgery, UPMC

### **Esra Karslioglu French, MD, MBA**

Clinical Chief, Division of Endocrinology and  
Metabolism  
Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine, UPMC

### **Jessica Maxwell, MD, MPH, FACS**

Associate Professor of Otolaryngology-  
Head and Neck Surgery  
Associate Program Director, UPMC Department  
of Otolaryngology  
Chief of Otolaryngology, Pittsburgh VA  
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## UPMC Faculty (cont'd)

### **Kelly L. McCoy, MD, FACS**

Associate Professor of Surgery  
Division of Endocrine Surgery, UPMC  
Vice President of Surgical Services  
VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

### **Elena M. Morariu, MD**

Clinical Assistant Professor, Thyroid Unit Director,  
UPMC Division of Endocrinology

### **Yvonne Mowery, MD, PhD**

Associate Professor of Radiation Oncology  
UPMC Hillman Cancer Center

### **Yuri E. Nikiforov, MD, PhD**

Professor of Pathology  
Vice Chair, Department of Pathology  
Director, Division of Molecular & Genomic Pathology  
Co-Director, UPMC Multidisciplinary Thyroid Center

### **N. Paul Otori, MD**

Professor of Pathology  
Medical Director of Cytopathology,  
UPMC Presbyterian

### **Kimberly M. Ramonell, MD, FACS**

Assistant Professor of Surgery  
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### **Alaa Sada, MD, MS**

Assistant Professor of Surgery  
Division of Endocrine Surgery, UPMC

### **Raja R. Seethala, MD**

Professor of Pathology and Otolaryngology  
Section Director, Head and Neck/Endocrine  
Pathology  
Director, Fluorescence in-situ Hybridization  
Laboratory  
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

### **Biatta Sholosh, MD**

Assistant Professor of Radiology  
Abdominal Imaging Fellowship Director, UPMC

### **S. Tonya Stefko, MD**

Professor of Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology,  
and Neurological Surgery  
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine  
Director, Orbital, Oculoplastics and Aesthetic  
Surgery Service

### **Sandra Stinnett, MD**

Assistant Professor  
Department of Otolaryngology-  
Head and Neck Surgery  
Director, UPMC Swallow Disorders Center

### **Linwah Yip, MD, FACS**

Associate Professor of Surgery  
Chief, Division of Breast and Endocrine  
Surgery, UPMC

### **Daniel P. Zandberg, MD**

Associate Professor of Medicine  
Director, Head and Neck and Thyroid Cancer  
Disease Sections  
Division of Hematology/Oncology, UPMC

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of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh,  
Pennsylvania, unless noted otherwise.**

**Agenda and speakers may be subject to  
change on short notice.**

## Registration Information:

1. Visit our online registration site [here](#).
2. Choose a registration category, then click “Add to cart.” Enter all the requested information (including an email address), and follow the prompts to submit your registration after entering your payment information.

When you register online, you will receive an immediate email confirmation message.

**Please note:** Registration is not complete until you receive this confirmation. If you do not receive this letter within seven days of registration, please contact us at **724-720-5959**.

### Cancellation/Refunds

All cancellations must be sent via email, to [Martinml4@UPMC.edu](mailto:Martinml4@UPMC.edu). Cancellations received before November 1, 2024, will be refunded in full. After November 1, a \$35.00 fee will be assessed, and **no refunds will be made after November 12**.

Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs at least two weeks in advance of the program by emailing [Martinml4@UPMC.edu](mailto:Martinml4@UPMC.edu).

The UPMC Center for Continuing Education in the Health Sciences reserves the right to cancel this program if not enough registrations are received.

## Registration Fees

**Physicians:** \$75

**RNs and other health care professionals:** \$50

Medical trainees, including students, residents, and fellows — free; registration is required.

Registration fees include:

- Continuing education credits
- Registration and course materials
- Vendor e-visits

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