Learn about available treatment options from top experts in the field of mesothelioma; ask your questions; meet other patients and families; find support.

San Antonio, Texas
April 6-7, 2020

For mesothelioma patients, their caregivers, families, those who have lost a loved one to mesothelioma, and anyone else interested in making a difference in the treatment of mesothelioma.
The Meso Foundation’s International Symposium on Malignant Mesothelioma is a unique event that brings together the entire mesothelioma community. For the duration of the two-day conference, we invite patients, their families, caregivers, and the bereaved community to learn about the latest in treatment options, speak face-to-face with top mesothelioma experts, and find community and support with others walking in their shoes.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
• Patients, their families, caregivers, friends
• Those who have lost a loved one to mesothelioma
• Anyone else interested in making a difference

HIGHLIGHTS
• Special one-on-one sessions with mesothelioma experts representing major institutions and industry.
• Available on-site: Early detection clinical trial to identify biomarkers of mesothelioma in the breath of patients, led by Dr. Michael Harbut (the investigators are seeking patient volunteers with biopsy-proven mesothelioma and individuals with pleural plaques and no mesothelioma diagnosis). Participants will be asked to breathe into a mask for approximately 12 minutes which will capture compounds in the breath that may be markers for mesothelioma. A blood test will also be offered to determine levels (if any) of soluble mesothelin-related peptide, a “biomarker” of mesothelioma.
• Tribute Ceremony and sessions specific to the bereaved community.

HOTEL
Hyatt Regency San Antonio Riverwalk
123 Losoya St, San Antonio, TX 78205

We secured a block of rooms at discounted prices for our conference guests. Rooms can be booked by calling the hotel or online at curemeso.org/symposium.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
Registration is available at curemeso.org/symposium or by calling (877) 363-6376.
Sunday, April 5
Evening cocktail reception

Monday, April 6
Conference sessions (including ‘speed dating’-style session providing an opportunity for patients to speak with several experts one-on-one) + Awards Dinner

Tuesday, April 7
Tribute Ceremony, conference sessions + Community Dinner

Clinical Trial Participation Option
On both days of the conference, attendees will have the opportunity to participate in an early detection clinical trial testing the breath in mesothelioma patients (and high-risk non-patients to identify biomarkers).

Experts in Attendance
Cheryl Admire, RD, LD, Baylor
Prasad Adusumilli, MD, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Hoda Badr, PhD, Baylor
Michael Becich, MD, PhD, University of Pittsburgh
Callie Candee, MDiv, BCC, Baylor
Keith Cengel, MD, PhD, University of Pennsylvania
Melissa Culligan, RN, University of Maryland
Carter Ebbesen, LMFT, Talk Therapy Center of Riverside
Stephanie Ejegi-Memeh, RN, PhD, UK Researcher
Jason Foster, MD, University of Nebraska
Joseph Friedberg, MD, University of Maryland
Chip Gardiner, Insulators Union
Azam Ghafoor, MD, NIH
Jonathan Greer, MD, Johns Hopkins
Michael Harbut, MD, Michigan State University
Chuong D. Hoang, MD, NIH
Adnan Jaigirdar, MD, FDA
Aaron Mansfield, MD, Mayo Clinic
Garrett Nash, MD, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Michael Offin, MD, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Tobias Peikert, MD, Mayo Clinic
Richard Philipson, MD, Trizell
Kandace Rather
R. Taylor Ripley, MD, Baylor
Christian Rolfo, MD, PhD, MBA, University of Maryland
Buerkley Rose, MSN, RN, University of Chicago
Boris Sepesi, MD, MD Anderson
Charles Simone, MD, NY Proton Center
Daniel Sterman, MD, NYU
James Stevenson, MD, Cleveland Clinic
Kiran Turaga, MD, University of Chicago
Anusha Vaidyanathan, MS, CGC, Mays Cancer Center
David Weissman, MD, CDC
Andrea Wolf, MD, Mount Sinai
Antoinette Wozniak, MD, University of Pittsburgh
Marjorie G. Zauderer, MD, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
## Agenda

**All Welcome**

**Patients and their Families ONLY**

**Bereaved Focus**

**Meals and Breaks**

### Sunday, April 5, 2020

- **5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**  Conference Check-In
- **6:30 PM – 8:00 PM**  Welcome Reception

### Monday, April 6, 2020

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<td>Meet the Meso Experts One-on-One (This unique session is similar to the concept of speed dating and allows patients and caregivers an opportunity to speak with physicians and nurses from a variety of sectors (academia, industry, government, etc.) to gain insight into the treatment of their disease, including clinical trial options. You will have the opportunity to meet with various teams as you rotate among the tables.) List of experts in attendance is on page 3.</td>
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Tuesday, April 7, 2020

8:00 AM  Conference Check-In
8:30 AM  Tribute Ceremony Breakfast (Special session for our bereaved community)
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM  BREAKFAST
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM  Managing Finances Day-to-Day and Financially Preparing for the Future  
Merrill Lynch
11:00 AM – 11:15 AM  BREAK
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM  Breakout Sessions
  • Radiation and Interventional Radiotherapy in Treatment and Symptom Management – Keith Cengel, MD, PhD; Charles Simone, MD
  • Finding Your Way Back – Callie Candee, MDiv, BCC
  • Survivorship Care: What To Do When Treatment is Over – R. Taylor Ripley, MD; Hoda Badr, PhD
12:15 PM – 12:45 PM  Political Update: State Bans on Asbestos  
Chip Gardiner
12:45 PM – 2:15 PM  LUNCH & Community Advisory Board Update and Discussion  
Heather Von St James; Katie Jamieson
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM  Breakout Sessions
  • Parenting While Coping with Cancer and Through Loss – Carter Ebbesen, LMFT
  • Taking Control of Household Finances – Merrill Lynch
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM  BREAK
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM  Breakout Sessions
  • Intimacy After a Mesothelioma Diagnosis – Stephanie Ejegi-Memeh, RN, PhD
  • Nutrition – Cheryl Admire, RD, LD
  • Grief Untangled – Kandace Rather
  • Fundraising – Katie Jamieson
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM  Closing Remarks
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM  COMMUNITY DINNER

Monday and Tuesday

Clinical Trial Participation Available On-Site

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Cost to Attend

$250
Patient/Caregivers/Families/Bereaved (Includes conference registration breakfasts, breaks, lunches, Awards Dinner, Community Dinner, cocktail receptions (and the Tribute Ceremony breakfast for the bereaved community).

Registration is also available to medical personnel and industry. Please consult our website at curemeso.org/symposium for fees specific to these categories.

Financial Assistance

We believe that the information provided at the Symposium is extraordinarily valuable to patients and their families as they navigate mesothelioma. With that in mind, the Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation is proud to provide financial assistance to patients and community members who meet specific criteria and who request financial support to attend our Symposium.

Eligible expenses include:

- Hotel room accommodations made through the Meso Foundation directly with the host entity
- Registration fee waiver
- Travel reimbursement for expenses associated with attending the Symposium

Request more information by contacting Jordan Fingerhut at (703) 879-3824 or jfingerhut@curemeso.org.
“I was very apprehensive about coming to my first Symposium. I’m a little shy around folks that I don’t know, and I hate crowds! I also thought that it would be a very solemn affair.

Going to that first Symposium was the best thing that I could have done. I have not missed one since. The doctors and scientists were very approachable and answered all my questions. But most importantly, I made some wonderful new and lasting friends who understand what I’m going through.”

— Bob B.
The Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation is the only nonprofit charity organization dedicated to ending mesothelioma, and the suffering caused by this cancer, by:

- funding research to improve treatment options;
- providing treatment support and education for patients and their families;
- and advocating for federal funding of research.