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## Message from our President, Deborah Saunders



The year of 2020 has been a year to embrace from many aspects globally. COVID -19 continues to vigilate across the world while we all wait for the effectiveness of a vaccine. Racial disparity is at its forefront in North America as are large gatherings worldwide that place us all at risk indirectly.

Staying positive and connected has been more important than ever. The true meaning of this is reflective in our most recent buddy MASCC/ISOO membership drive. You, our valued ISOO members showed true spirit in engaging and mentoring the challenges of supportive care in cancer during this pandemic by offering 2 year free memberships to your colleagues. A true reflection of the kindness during such challenging times. The generosity of MASCC/ISOO to endorse this has reflected on increased of 270 new MASCC/ISOO members. – Welcome!

As MASCC President, Dr Andrew Davies stated in the [September MASCC newsletter](#), we need to research the ongoing direct and indirect effects of COVID-19 on our patients (and their families). This means ISOO/MASCC, and specifically the study groups, are well placed to initiate / co-ordinate such research. We would encourage individuals with ideas for such projects to liaise with the relevant study group leaders (and with [Leslie Johnson](#) – Study Group coordinator). We also would encourage sharing of experiences / data / guidelines on COVID-19 related issues through this newsletter and the MASCC and ISOO websites. As an ISOO member you are encouraged to join the [Oral Care Study Group](#) (OCSG) and we encourage you consider joining other study groups within MASCC.

As we continue to care for our patients through research and clinical care, continue to be kind to each other and yourselves.

Warm regards,  
Debbie Saunders, President ISOO

## MASCC/ISOO Mucositis Guidelines Updates

Mucositis is a common toxicity following chemotherapy and radiotherapy for cancer, often necessitating dose reductions and/or treatment breaks. These articles were generated as part of the process of updating the 2014 MASCC/ISOO clinical practice guidelines for the management of mucositis secondary to cancer therapy. Several types of interventions for oral mucositis are presented, including anti-inflammatory agents, photobiomodulation, vitamins, minerals, and nutritional supplements, and protocols



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### New ISOO Members

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categorized as basic oral care. One paper is dedicated to interventions for the management of gastrointestinal mucositis, i.e., affecting areas in the gastrointestinal tract outside the oral cavity. Each paper has been made free to access where not already Open Access. These articles are available for download at this link: <https://www.springer.com/journal/520/updates/17569668>

Developed by the Mucositis Study Group of the Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer/International Society of Oral Oncology (MASCC/ISOO), these articles are part of the MASCC/ISOO clinical practice guidelines for the management of mucositis. This set focuses on the following topics: growth factors and cytokines [Logan et al.], antimicrobials, mucosal coating agents, anesthetics, and analgesics [Saunders et al.], cryotherapy [Correa et al.], and natural and miscellaneous agents [Yarom et al.]. For each of these topics, the literature was reviewed systematically, and new evidence was merged with the evidence published in the previous guideline update [Lalla et al.]. All the data was used to define the up-to-date level of evidence (LoE) and a guideline category: Recommendation, Suggestion, or No Guideline Possible.

For all four topics, new evidence was identified, including evidence for interventions for which guidelines were established in the previous update. The new evidence resulted in three scenarios: (1) the LoE and the guideline statement remained unchanged; (2) the LoE was enhanced and the guideline statement remained unchanged; (3) reversal of the guideline statement. In the section presenting Natural and Miscellaneous Agents, evidence for numerous new agents was identified, and 3 new guidelines were established. These articles can be downloaded at this link: <https://www.springer.com/journal/520/updates/17837112>

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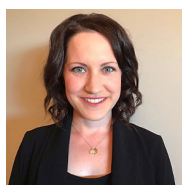
## Joint MASCC/ISOO Webinar (Sponsored by Alira Health)

Please join us at 12:00 noon (EST), October 20th 2020, when Drs. Sharon Elad and Stephen Sonis will be speaking about Oral and GI Mucositis. Stay tuned for the link! This webinar will be sponsored by [Alira Health](#).

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## Meet our Social Media Webmaster Amanda Gruza

Thank you for following our social media posts on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter. We thought our members might want to meet the brains behind our operation so here is a quick introduction on Amanda Gruza.



Amanda Gruza, DMD, FRCD(C)  
Assistant Professor & Incoming General Practice  
Residency Program Director - University of Saskatchewan  
Saskatoon, Canada

Amanda Gruza graduated from the University of Saskatchewan, College of Dentistry in 2010 and subsequently completed a one-year general practice residency at Royal University Hospital in Saskatoon. She then spent several years in private practice as a general dentist and worked as a part-time clinical faculty member at the University of Saskatchewan, College of Dentistry. In 2019, Amanda completed her four-year, hospital-based residency through the University of British Columbia, becoming a board-certified Oral & Maxillofacial Pathologist, as well as a board-certified Oral Medicine Specialist.

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Amanda currently teaches and supervises both undergraduate dental students and post-graduate oral oncology general practice residents. As of 2020, Amanda became the Director of the Oral Oncology General Practice Residency program at the University of Saskatchewan. She also works in private practice part-time as an Oral and Maxillofacial Pathologist and Oral Medicine Specialist in the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

When she's not at work, or posting to the ISOO social media accounts, Amanda enjoys playing piano and spending time outdoors, going for walks and bike rides, with her husband and son.

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## Meet a New ISOO Member Brady Eason



Brady Eason, BSc, DDS  
*Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, Toronto Canada*

Dear ISOO Members:

My name is Dr. Brady Eason and I have recently joined as a new member of ISOO. I am excited by the opportunities that ISOO offers in connecting me to international colleagues who share my passion for oral oncology.

After graduation from dental school in 2016, I worked as a general dentist for 3 years. In 2019, I was accepted into the Dental Oncology Fellowship program at the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Toronto Canada. I now work at Princess Margaret as a staff dentist, preparing patients for their various cancer therapies as well as managing the various complications that arise from their cancer care. My particular research interests include MRONJ and ORN.

In my spare time, I enjoy a wide variety of activities including golf, volleyball, squash, personal training, hiking, sky diving and scuba diving.

As a resident of Toronto, I look forward to meeting you all at the upcoming MASCC/ISOO meeting in June 2022.

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## Coming Soon – Call for Speakers MASCC/ISOO Annual Meeting, Seville 2021

The MASCC and ISOO boards are finalizing the details for the 2021 Annual General Meeting in Seville, Spain. Stay tuned for a Call for Speakers and Proposals.

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## New Collaboration Brazilian Group of Head and Neck Cancer (GBCP)

The Brazilian Group of Head and Neck Cancer (GBCP) have expressed interest to the ISOO Board about the possibility of future collaboration. They are keen to participate in future meetings, research and other projects related to oral and head and neck cancer. Our very own Dr. Eduardo Fregnani (President-Elect) will be speaking at the Annual General Meeting, coming up in the Fall of 2020. More details to come!

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## Head & Neck Cancer Survivorship Webinar Series

The [Head & Neck Cancer Alliance](#), in collaboration with the [American Head & Neck Society](#), hosted a 2020 Head and Neck Cancer Survivorship webinar series once a week from July to August for a total of five sessions. Many ISOO members attended as well as participated in these sessions, including our own Dr. Barbara Murphy! The pre-recorded portion of the five webinars are now available online: <https://headandneck.org/2020-survivorship-webinar-videos>

## Japanese Association of Oral Supportive Care in Cancer (JAOSCC)

Our colleagues at the [JAOSCC](#) would like to welcome you to attend their upcoming 6th Annual Meeting, December 5-6, 2020. It will be a virtual meeting. You can find more information at this link: [http://jaoscc.org/2020\\_6th\\_annualmeeting/index.html](http://jaoscc.org/2020_6th_annualmeeting/index.html)

## Future Meetings

Mark your calendar and watch for more news about future MASCC/ISOO Annual Meetings!

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#MASCC21



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