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Society of Surgical Oncology Postpones SSO2020; Will Reschedule for August 17 to 20 in Boston

Rosemont, Ill.—The Society of Surgical Oncology announced its annual scientific meeting, The SSO2020 International Conference on Surgical Cancer Care, which was scheduled for March 25 - 28 in Boston, has been rescheduled for August 17 - 20 in Boston at the Hynes Convention Center. SSO's entire statement can be found here: <https://www.surgonc.org/>

“We are very pleased to be able to offer SSO 2020 to the surgical oncology community later this year. While many Societies have made decisions to cancel their events, we worked in a very quick and efficient manner with the Boston Convention Center and our logistics partner, Spargo Inc., to identify dates to accommodate our group.” said M. Eileen Widmer, CAE, CFRM, Chief Executive Officer of SSO.

Widmer emphasized the decision to postpone versus cancel the meeting was carefully weighed by the SSO Executive Council, which considered both financial aspects as well as the need to disseminate the high-quality science and educational session content. SSO's International Conference on Surgical Cancer Care is the premier event for the global surgical oncology community. The event provides a unique forum for this group of peers to discuss current topics in clinical practice and form new research collaborations through networking with global leaders. These factors were important additional considerations in the decision to postpone instead of cancel the event.

Widmer stated, “Postponing the meeting introduces a new set of daily operating considerations and has downstream impact on various ongoing initiatives; however, SSO's staff, along with leadership, recognizes the opportunities with the decision and will implement agile workflow processes to accommodate necessary program adjustments.”

Widmer said that any conference or hotel registration for SSO2020 already made would be transferred to the August dates. SSO has established an FAQ about SSO2020 and COVID-19 at [SSO2020.org](https://www.surgonc.org/).

About the Society of Surgical Oncology

The Society of Surgical Oncology (SSO) is the premier organization for surgeons and health care providers dedicated to advancing and promoting the science and treatment of cancer. The Society's focus on all solid-tumor disease sites is reflected in its Annual Cancer Symposium, monthly scientific journal (Annals of Surgical Oncology), educational initiatives, and committee structure. The Society's mission is to improve multidisciplinary patient care by advancing the science, education, and practice of cancer surgery worldwide.