

INVITED PANELISTS

Dr Paton-Gay is a trauma and general surgeon, intensivist, transport physician and educator. He has been the Trauma Medical Director of Edmonton and the co-chair of Alberta Trauma Services. He is currently the Trauma Lead for STARS Air Ambulance and co-chair of the Canadian Critical Care Society National Acute Critical Events Simulation (N-ACES) course. His educational interests focus on crisis resource management, individual and team function during high stakes events. He's been a faculty member of numerous simulation courses including the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Simulation Educator Training (SET) course and the National Simulated Trauma and Resuscitation Team Training (STARTT) course.

Dr Paton-Gay grew up all over western Canada, from the gulf islands to the foothills to the prairie, which led to a broad set of interests including skiing, car racing, mountain biking, motorcycling, horseback riding, and martial arts among others. He is a jujitsu coach, teaching morning classes before work, and takes any moment he can to head to the mountains for time in the backcountry.

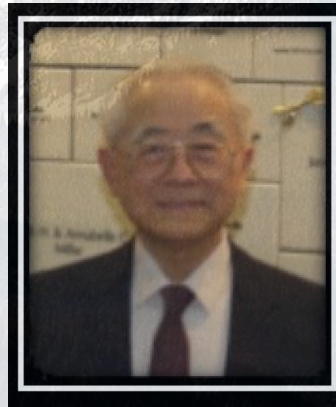
Dr. Mador received his MD from the University of Calgary and completed his general surgery training at the University of British Columbia, followed by a trauma & acute care surgery fellowship at the University of Toronto. He obtained a Master's degree in Health Professions Education from the University of Illinois Chicago.

Dr. Mador joined the Department of Surgery at the University of Alberta in 2016. He is currently dually appointed as Associate Clinical Professor at both the University of Alberta and University of British Columbia. He previously served as Facility Section Head for Trauma and Residency Program Director for Surgical Foundations. He is the current Edmonton Zone Clinical Section Chief for Trauma. Research interests include acute care surgery, surgical education, and clinical trauma outcomes.



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**This retreat is dedicated to the
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JAMES YI AND WEI CHIWEI PRESENT:

34th Annual General Surgery Resident's Retreat

TRAUMA 2026

with invited speakers...

Dr Damian Paton-Gay



Dr. Brett Mador



WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, 12 JUNE 2026

HOTEL CHECK-IN 16:00

SATURDAY, 13 JUNE 2026

7:30 BREAKFAST
Edinburgh Holyrood

8:35 Opening Remarks
Dr Mike McCall

8:40 Trauma Resuscitation: Is Whole Blood Transfusion the Answer?
Dr Carmen Ng

9:00 The ED Thoracotomy: How and When?
Dr. Tanner Fahlman

9:20 Chest Tubes in 2026
Dr Jessica Wang

9:40 Retroperitoneal Bleeds: To Explore or Not?
Dr Lucy Harris

10:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:20 Vascular Trauma for the Trauma Surgeon
Dr Brianna Salverda

10:40 Surgical Approaches to Liver Trauma
Dr Zosia Czarnecka

11:00 When to Use an Ostomy in Trauma
Dr. Tyrell Wees

11:20 *Dr. Brett Mador*

18:30 BBQ DINNER @ Tank310 (310 Old Canmore Rd – Grizzly Paw Brewery)

SUNDAY, 14 JUNE 2026

8:00 BREAKFAST
Edinburgh Holyrood

8:55 Opening Remarks
Dr Mike McCall

9:00 Antiplatelet/Coagulant Reversal in Trauma/ACS
Dr Armin Rouhi

9:20 Pancreatitis Management in ACS
Dr Natalie Gugala

9:40 Uses for Indocyanine Green (ICG) in ACS
Dr Brianna Brand

10:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:20 Surgical Strategies for the Difficult Gallbladder
Dr Alex Hajar

10:40 Current Evidence for Antibiotic only Therapy in Appendicitis
Dr Paul Lerner

11:00 SBO and the Virgin Abdomen
Dr Kaden Fujita

11:20 *Dr. Damian Paton-Gay*

11:20 Closing Remarks
Dr Mike McCall

HOTEL CHECK-OUT

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!!

PAST TOPICS AND INVITED SPEAKERS

2025 Surgical Oncology Dr. T. Hamilton, Vancouver	2024 Colorectal Surgery Dr. D. Buie, Calgary
2023 HPB Surgery Dr. E. Dixon, Calgary	2019 Pediatric Surgery Dr. J. Nuchtern, Texas
2018 Emergency Surgery Dr. M. Kim, K. Fathimani, D. Paton-Gay, Edmonton	2017 Colorectal Surgery Dr. D. Buie, Calgary
2016 Surgical Oncology Dr. G. Porter, Halifax	2015 HPB Surgery Dr. Y. Fong, Duarte
2014 Trauma Surgery Dr. K. Inaba, Los Angeles	2013 Paediatric Surgery Dr. A. Coran, Ann Arbor
2012 NET & GI Surgery Dr. C. Brunicaudi, Los Angeles	2011 Head & Neck Surgery Dr. T. Young, Hamilton
2010 Trauma Surgery Dr. E. Moore, Denver	2008 Colorectal Surgery Dr. M. Burnstein, Toronto
2007 Surgical Oncology Dr. C. Swallow, Toronto	2006 HPB Surgery Dr. Y. Fong, New York
2005 Paediatric Surgery Dr. K. Oldham, Milwaukee	2003 H&N, Vascular, Thoracic and Colorectal Surgery Dr. D. Williams, Dr. D. Berg, Dr. R. Turnbull, Dr. K. Stewart, Edmonton
2004 Trauma Surgery Dr. E. Moore, Denver	
2002 Surgical Oncology Dr. G. Porter, Halifax	2001 Thoracic Surgery Dr. R. Finley, Vancouver
2000 Head & Neck Surgery Dr. P. Gullaune, Toronto	1999 Colorectal Surgery Dr. R. McLeod, Toronto
1998 HPB Surgery Dr. Y. Fong, New York	1997 Paediatric Surgery Dr. D. Tapper, Seattle
1996 Trauma Surgery Dr. C. Schwab, Philadelphia	1995 Vascular Surgery Dr. K. Harris, London
1994 Esophageal Surgery Dr. A. Duranceau, Montreal	1993 Practical General Surgery Dr. H. Chyczij, Dr. W. Mackie, Edmonton
1992 General Surgical Disorders Dr. H. Williams, Edmonton	1991 Colorectal Disease Dr. D. Rothemberger, Minneapolis
1990 HPB Disease Dr. A. Moossa, San Diego	1989 Paediatric Surgery Dr. A. Haller, Baltimore