Special issue to honor and remember Dr. Arti Hurria: Call for papers for the Journal of Geriatric Oncology

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On November 7, 2018, Dr. Arti Hurria, our close colleague and the first Editor-in-Chief for the Journal of Geriatric Oncology, tragically died. Beyond the deep personal loss we all feel, the implications of her death for the field of geriatric oncology are far-reaching and immeasurable. Clinicians, scholars and researchers from all over the world continue to mourn her loss.

Since her death, there have been, and continue to be, many efforts to honor and remember Dr. Hurria and her work. The Journal of Geriatric Oncology will devote a special issue to highlight not only her pathbreaking work, but also to remember how she touched each and every one of us.

In this Call for Papers, we invite submissions of original research, brief reports, and focused reviews on topics in geriatric oncology that highlight Dr. Hurria's work. Submissions should explicitly highlight how her research has influenced the original research or review topic. Topics that she cared about include, but are not limited to: accrual of older patients to clinical trials, the design of therapeutic clinical trials for older patients, policies to improve care delivery and outcomes of older patients with cancer, use of geriatric assessment strategies to optimize decision-making and guide management, prediction of chemotherapy toxicity, the influence of cancer and its treatments on accelerated aging, impact of treatment on aging domains such as cognition, functional resilience and trajectories in older patients with cancer and their caregivers, and assessment and interventions for caregiver burden, and survivorship needs of older adults.

We are especially interested in manuscripts that highlight the direct relationships between Dr. Hurria’s work and the original research or review topic. For proposed reviews, please contact the Managing Editor listed at the end of this Call for Papers. We want to ensure that duplicate topics are not proposed, and we will work with authors to develop writing teams of those interested in specific topics to foster new collaborations and networking in a way that Dr. Hurria would have advocated for and supported.

In addition, we also solicit original research, perspectives, brief reports, editorials, or reviews that highlight Dr. Hurria’s contribution to mentorship, leadership, faculty development (including her dedication to the fostering the careers of women), multidisciplinary care, and team-based research. Personal tributes are also welcomed; these could be submitted as an editorial or perspectives article. Tributes from patients and caregivers and their networks are also welcomed.

The deadline for submission of papers for the issue is May 1, 2019. Please refer to instructions for articles and follow one of the submission types. It is essential that authors indicate in the cover letter that the manuscript is being submitted for consideration in the Issue to Remember Dr. Arti Hurria. All manuscripts will undergo review and acceptance is not guaranteed. The review process will be tailored to article type. Dr. Hurria’s family, Dr. Thomas Lee and Serena Lee, will participate in the organization of this Special Issue. We look forward to receiving your manuscripts and would be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding this initiative.

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