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Re: *Dyer v. United States, Case No: 7:23-cv-00357*
Request for Urologic Oncology Expert Review

I, Max Kates, M.D., was retained by the United States Department of Justice to write an expert report and provide my expert opinions in this case. I am providing my expert opinions as a medical doctor and expert in Urologic Oncology to evaluate Terry Dyer's allegations about the cause of her bladder cancer and to respond to the expert report and opinions of Mrs. Dyer's expert, Dr. Thomas Longo. Mrs. Dyer alleges, and Dr. Thomas Longo opines, that Mrs. Dyer's bladder cancer was as likely caused by exposure to water at the Camp Lejeune military base located in North Carolina as other risk factors. However, based on my training, experience, and expertise, it is my opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, that Mrs. Dyer's bladder cancer was most likely caused by a combination of risk factors and unlikely caused by exposure to water at Camp Lejeune. Specifically, Mrs. Dyer's bladder cancer was most likely caused by a

combination of the idiopathic nature of bladder cancer with possible contributing risk factors of a short-term smoking history, an elevated BMI, and environmental exposure in Southeast North Carolina.

I. Summary of My Qualifications

I am a board-certified urologist, and a fellowship trained urologic oncologist, and one of the few clinicians in the United States whose clinical practice is more than 90% focused on diagnosing and treating bladder cancer. Currently, I am Associate Professor of Urology and Oncology, Director of the Bladder Cancer Program, and Director of the Urologic Oncology Division for the Brady Urology Institute at Johns Hopkins. The Brady Urologic Institute is the country's first urologic training program and one of the premier programs in the United States.

I received my BA from Wesleyan University in 2006 and my MD from Mount Sinai School of Medicine in 2012. During my medical training, I spent a year at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons as a Doris Duke Clinical Research Fellow, where I focused on bladder cancer clinical trials and research. I then completed a six-year residency in Urology at the Brady Urologic Institute.

Following residency, I remained at the Brady Urologic Institute for a two-year Society of Urologic Oncology (SUO) fellowship, where I completed subspecialty training in Urologic Cancer Surgery and Care. In 2018, I received the prestigious American Cancer Society Clinician Scientist Development Grant, and I was one of the few urologists and bladder cancer experts to receive five years of funding in cancer research. In 2018, I was named an Assistant Professor of Urology and Oncology. In 2020, I was named Director of the Bladder Cancer Program, and in 2022, I was promoted to Associate Professor of Urology and Oncology. In 2023, I became Director of the Division of Urologic Oncology, where I oversee a busy group of clinicians that

diagnose and treat the spectrum of genitourinary malignancies and oversee a group of researchers that aim to make important discoveries to improve the lives of patients suffering from those same cancers.

As a Urologist who specializes in bladder cancer and as Director of the Bladder Cancer Program at Johns Hopkins Hospital, I lead one of the busiest clinical bladder cancer groups in the United States. I personally see 6-8 new bladder cancer patients each week and manage the care of more than 1,000 bladder cancer survivors. In these visits, I use a differential etiology approach to evaluate risk factors for the patient developing bladder cancer, in order to assess whether mitigation of those risk factors can improve the patient's prognosis or prevent bladder cancer development in their family. Surgically, I perform 50-90 cystoscopies (procedure for examining the bladder), 25-30 transurethral resections of bladder tumors (a minimally invasive surgical procedure referred to as TURBTs used to diagnose and treat bladder cancer), and 4-10 radical cystectomies (bladder removal surgery) each month. I actively manage bladder cancer at all stages, sometimes alone, and often times on a multidisciplinary team. Thus, I am qualified to speak to any aspect of bladder cancer diagnosis, etiology and clinical care.

In conjunction with my clinical duties, I maintain ongoing and active academic and clinical research in the field of bladder cancer. My research interests involve novel treatments for cancers of the urinary tract. I currently have a provisional patent for a novel intravesical chemotherapy developed with nano-engineer collaborators. Additionally, I have made scientific discoveries related to the mechanism of action of intravesical BCG, the most common treatment for bladder cancer. I am the principal investigator on multiple clinical trials, and I am currently leading EA8212 BRIDGE, which is a randomized trial open in over 150 centers in the United States comparing BCG to GemDoce chemotherapy for early-stage bladder cancer.

I have authored more than 140 journal articles in the field of bladder cancer. I have coauthored the chapter entitled “Tumors of the Bladder” in Campbell-Walsh-Wein Urology, which is the most widely used and the only comprehensive urology textbook in my field. In that chapter, I review the epidemiology risk factors for the development of bladder cancer. Additionally, I was a panelist on an American Urologic Association global webinar on bladder cancer, and I am currently giving the main lecture on muscle invasive bladder cancer for the American Urologic Association board review course. I thus am qualified to speak to ongoing scholarship and scientific literature in bladder cancer with a particular emphasis on bladder cancer risk, diagnosis, and staging. I have testified as an expert witness at trial or deposition in the past four years in one medical malpractice case: *Otis F. Noboa v. Scott D. Boruchov, M.D. et al.*, Civ. No. 1:20-cv-6871 (S.D.N.Y).

My CV with my qualifications and a list of all my publications is attached. I am being compensated \$600/hour for my time working on this case. A list of the materials that I considered in forming my opinions will be provided at a later date.

II. Summary of Bladder Cancer Risk Factors, Diagnosis, and Management¹

A. General Epidemiology⁽¹⁾

Bladder cancer is one of the most common cancers diagnosed each year in the United States, with an estimated 83,190 new cases and 16,680 deaths in 2024.⁽²⁾ The lifetime risk of developing any cancer is 40% for men and 42% for women. In the United States, 1 in 27 men will develop bladder cancer over their lifetime, whereas 1 in 89 women will develop bladder cancer.⁽³⁾ Additionally, because bladder cancer has fewer deaths relative to incident cases

¹ Section adapted from the chapter that I coauthored entitled “Tumors of the Bladder” in Campbell-Walsh-Wein Urology 12th Edition.

compared to several other common malignancies (for example, lung and colon cancers), it is one of the most prevalent cancers in the United States as well.(2) For example, it was estimated that in 2024, 83,190 patients would be diagnosed with bladder cancer, and 16,840 patients would die of their disease, providing a ratio of 0.20 deaths to diagnoses.(2) By comparison, it was estimated that 234,580 patients would be diagnosed with lung cancer in 2024, and 125,070 patients would die of their lung cancer (ratio 0.53). It was estimated that 152,810 patients would be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in 2024 with 53,010 deaths (ratio 0.35).(2)

Bladder cancer is typically a disease of aging, with age adjusted incidence rates increasing with each decade of life. The average age of diagnosis in the US is 73, with 90% of patients diagnosed after the age of 55. Men have a 3 times higher increased risk of developing bladder cancer compared to women. Several hypotheses have been proposed for increased bladder cancer rates among men. Smoking is more common in men in comparison to women, with age standardized prevalence of smoking declining in men from 41.2% in 1980 to 31.1% in 2012 in comparison from 10.6% to 6.2% among women.(1,4) However, even when controlling for smoking, gender related incidence disparities persist.(5,6) It has been hypothesized that cellular metabolism of carcinogens may be different. In other words, there may be differences between genders in the body's ability and rate of breaking down and absorbing certain carcinogens. Glutathione-S-transferase M1 (GSTM1) and 5'-diphosphoglucuronosyltransferase (UGT) are enzymes that aid the body in breaking down environmental toxins, certain drugs, and other carcinogens. Aromatic amines are a class of organic compounds comprising an aromatic ring and a nitrogen group and have been implicated as carcinogens—particularly in tobacco smoke. Enzymes such as GSTM1 and UGT that regulate how these amines are metabolized and absorbed have thus been themselves implicated in cancer development, and their increased

expression in men thus is hypothesized to increase the metabolism and absorption of carcinogens leading to a higher incidence of bladder cancer in men.(7,8)

Although women have lower bladder cancer incidence, they are more likely to present with an advanced stage of disease, in part because hematuria (blood in urine) in women is often misattributed to urinary tract infections which delays the bladder cancer workup and diagnosis.(9),(10) Bladder cancer is most common among Caucasian Americans, with an incidence rate 1.5 times that of Black Americans and twice that of Hispanic Americans. However, similar to gender differences, Black patients are more likely to present with muscle invasive disease compared to White patients, and it remains unclear whether this increased risk is due to factors involving access to care or tumor biology. (9)

One of Plaintiff's experts, Dr. Longo, classified bladder cancer as "a disease of toxic exposure." (See Dr. Longo – Criswell Report; p. 2). I disagree with this assessment and view it as an oversimplification of the disease. Some bladder cancer is attributable to carcinogens such as in smoking. However, as will be discussed subsequently, there is a hereditary component to bladder cancer, as evidenced by the frequency of germline mutations identified in recent studies. (11,12) Bladder cancer risk is multifactorial, with multiple pathways and mechanisms for development in each individual. While some of these pathways are known, some are still unknown, which is why idiopathy continues to play a role in assessing the differential etiology for a particular patient.

B. Bladder Cancer Subtypes and Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma

Urothelial cancer is the most common histology involved in bladder cancer, accounting for over 90% of cases. Urothelial carcinoma can further be subdivided by the 2004 WHO classification of low grade and high grade urothelial carcinoma.(13) The grade of the cancer

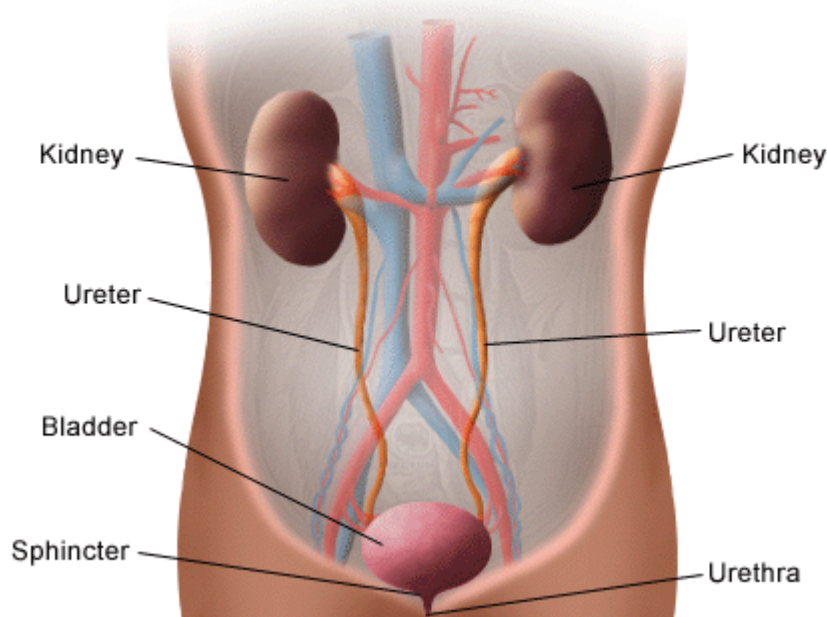
contributes to its pathologic stage as will be discussed in Section D. While urothelial carcinoma is most common, variant histologies, including micropapillary, sarcomatoid, plasmacytoid, squamous differentiated, and glandular differentiated are often mixed with urothelial carcinoma and are treated similarly to it. Neuroendocrine bladder cancer, including small cell bladder cancer and large cell bladder cancer, are histologic variants which are treated differently, often with a chemotherapy as the first approach. Additionally, pure squamous cell carcinoma (i.e., not mixed with urothelial carcinoma) and pure adenocarcinoma of the bladder are also treated differently from conventional urothelial carcinoma, as these histologic subtypes are often treated primarily with surgery as they are resistant to other therapies.

Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma (UTUC) is a related but biologically distinct entity from bladder cancer. Because of its rarity and distinctiveness, the FDA views UTUC as a disease that can be designated for orphan drug approvals.² UTUC involves cancer of the renal pelvis and ureter and only account for about 5-8% of all urothelial carcinomas.(14) UTUC has a few commonalities when compared to bladder cancer and some clear differences particular with regard to risk factors associated with each. There have been several studies comparing the molecular profile of upper tract urothelial carcinoma and bladder cancer, and these have demonstrated that there are distinct molecular differences between the two cancers, supporting the evidence that these are two separate diseases.(15) ³

²U.S. Food & Drug Administration Orphan Drug Designations and Approvals (<https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/opdlisting/oopd/detailedIndex.cfm?cfgridkey=445114>).

³ Illustration modified from Johns Hopkins Medicine (<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/health/wellness-and-prevention/anatomy-of-the-urinary-system>).

Front View of Urinary Tract



For example, FGFR3 mutations are widespread in the majority of UTUC cases, while they are present on a more limited scale among bladder cancers. With just 7,000 patients diagnosed with UTUC annually, there are limited clinical trials and evidence to support various management strategies, and because of this, the management of UTUC is often similar to bladder cancer where there is more robust data. For example, neoadjuvant chemotherapy is widely recommended at my institution for high grade UTUC based on a randomized trial evaluating it for bladder cancer, and more limited retrospective data supporting its use in UTUC.

C. Bladder Cancer Risk Factors

There have been many risk factors proposed in the literature that may increase the risk of developing bladder cancer. The risk factors identified below have the most evidence in peer reviewed studies demonstrating risk.

i. Smoking

Tobacco use comprises the largest known risk factor for bladder cancer development, and accounts for 30-40% of all bladder cancer. Dr. Sfakianos, an expert for the plaintiffs, has stated that “approximately 50% of the patients who develop bladder cancer is due to their exposure to cigarettes.” (See Dr. Sfakianos – Cagiano Report; p. 15). Similarly, expert for the plaintiff Dr. Longo states that smoking may account for 50% of all bladder cancer cases. (See Dr. Longo – Criswell Report; p. 17). Further, Dr. Culp cites the 2014 Vlaanderen study which states that cigarette smoking accounts for “approximately 66% of new cases in men.”⁴ (See Dr. Culp December 9, 2024 Report p. 12). To be conservative in my approach regarding attributable risk, it is my opinion that the percentage of bladder cancer attributable to smoking cigarettes is slightly lower—on the order of 30-40%. Worldwide there are more than 1 billion current smokers, and smokers have a 2 to 3 times increased risk of bladder cancer.(16) Cigarette, pipe, and cigar smoking have all been linked to bladder cancer development.(17) Aromatic amines are the primary carcinogens contained in tobacco smoke that lead to bladder cancer development.(18) In general, the relative risk (RR) of developing bladder cancer increases with the intensity of cigarette smoking, with some studies showing up to a five times higher risk of bladder cancer with more than 15 cigarettes (3/4 pack) per day compared to a 2 times higher risk with less than 10 cigarettes (1/2 pack) per day.(19) Similarly, relative risk increases with the duration of smoking, from 1.2-1.9 times increased risk for those smoking less than 10 years to a 9.4 times increased risk for those smoking more than 40 years.(19) Additionally, the age of onset for smoking is highly associated with bladder cancer risk, with one study demonstrating a 4

⁴ Vlaanderen, Jelle *et al.* (2014) study “Tetrachloroethylene exposure and bladder cancer risk: a meta-analysis of dry-cleaning-worker studies.” Environmental health perspectives vol. 122,7 (2014): 661-6.

times increased risk among those who begin smoking between ages 18-20 compared to a 2 times increased risk among those who begin after 31 years. Time since quitting also mitigates risk, with relative risk decreasing from 3-5 times among current or recent smokers to 1-2 times among those who quit more than 15 years prior.(19) Nevertheless, even individuals with a long latency period who smoked relatively few cigarettes are still at increased risk compared to the general population.(19) Unlike lung cancer, where one study estimates more than 80% of cases are diagnosed within 20 years of quitting cigarette smoking, bladder cancer has a longer lag time, with only 50% diagnosed in that first 20 year period.(20,21) In that study approximately 15% were diagnosed 20-29 years after quitting, 15% diagnosed 30-39 years after quitting, 13% diagnosed 40-49 years after quitting, and 7% diagnosed more than 50 years after quitting.(20)

I agree with United States expert, Dr. Peter Shields, that “tobacco smoking is among the best examples of a human carcinogen” and that “tobacco smoke contains more than 100 carcinogens and mutagens.” (*See* Dr. Shields – General Causation Report, p. 76-81). I would also agree with Dr. Longo’s assessment that “conventional wisdom would suggest that secondhand exposure to cigarette smoke may contribute to bladder cancer carcinogenesis.” (*See* Dr. Longo – Criswell Report, p. 17).

ii. Occupational Exposures

Occupational exposures have been linked to 5-10% of all bladder cancers. Occupations that are considered high risk for developing bladder cancer include but are not limited to: aniline dye, rubber, and tobacco workers, hairdressers, painters, leather workers, nurses, waiters, petroleum workers and seamen.(22) Workplace exposure to silica and asbestos in particular have also been linked to a 20% increased risk of bladder cancer.(23) More data exists linking occupational exposures to bladder cancer among petroleum workers, with one meta-analysis of

eight studies demonstrating a 40% increased risk.(24–26) The typical latency period from workplace exposures to bladder cancer diagnosis is thought to be variable.(27) One study evaluated factory workers from a dyestuff plant in Japan and found that the mean latency period was 29.5 years from initial work exposure to bladder cancer diagnosis and 20 years from the final exposure to tumor development. (28)

The chemicals at issue with respect to Camp Lejeune water are not ones that treating urologists typically consider as having a causal association with bladder cancer. In considering whether any relationship exists between bladder cancer and the exposure to the chemicals at issue with respect to Camp Lejeune water, I am relying on the opinions of the United States' toxicology and epidemiology experts, Dr. Julie Goodman and Dr. Peter Shields. Dr. Goodman and Dr. Shields have concluded to a reasonable degree of scientific certainty that the currently available scientific evidence does not support a causal association between TCE, PCE, benzene, or vinyl chloride and bladder cancer.

iii. Radiation

Radiation to the pelvis is commonly performed to treat several malignancies, including prostate, cervical, vaginal, and rectal cancer. These patients are at a 2-4 fold increased risk of developing bladder cancer.(29) While tumors can develop within 5 years, the risk increases rapidly with longer latency. For example, among prostate cancer patients who received radiation therapy, the risk of secondary bladder cancer compared with the general population was 15% increased risk among all radiated patients to 55% among those diagnosed with bladder cancer more than 5 years after radiation and 75% among those diagnosed more than 10 years after radiation.(30)

iv. Family History

First degree relatives of bladder cancer patients have a 2 times higher risk of developing bladder cancer. Sometimes this risk is part of a broader cancer syndrome such as Lynch syndrome.(31) Lynch syndrome is a hereditary, autosomal dominant disorder that increases one's risk of many cancers. Patients with Lynch syndrome have a 22 times increased risk of developing UTUC. While Lynch syndrome is primarily associated with UTUC, patients with bladder cancer do have a modest increased risk with a cumulative incidence of 2-5% over their lifetime. However, germline testing, which assesses hereditary risk, suggests that 13-24% of patients with urothelial carcinoma will harbor pathogenic germline variants, most commonly *MSH2* and *BRCA1/2*.(11) These germline mutations are passed down generations and are responsible for the development of bladder cancer within families.

v. Body Mass Index (BMI)

Increased body mass index (BMI) has been shown to be an independent risk factor for bladder cancer development. There is also a dose response relationship where it appears that the relative risk of developing bladder cancer increases as BMI increases.(32,33) While lifestyle-associated factors including high BMI, low physical activity, and related metabolic disorders are associated with bladder cancer, these relationships are most evident in never smokers because smoking dominates bladder cancer risk, obscuring the contributions of these other factors.(34)

I would agree with Dr. Shield's assessment that "[b]eing overweight and obese, and with metabolic syndrome, have been reported to increase the risk of bladder cancer, which may be more pronounced for never smokers. IARC considers there to be sufficient human evidence for obesity as a cause of bladder cancer. This includes in conjunction with diabetes for persons with metabolic syndrome (obesity, diabetes, hypertension and high cholesterol)."

(Dr. Shields - General Causation Report; p. 209). Data regarding UTUC and BMI is even more limited, as is with all risk factors typically associated with bladder cancer.

vi. Chronic Inflammation and Chronic Infections

Certain medical conditions in which the bladder is in a chronically inflamed state increases one's risk of developing bladder cancer. Diseased states in which the bladder is exposed to repeated trauma, infection, or inflammation increase the risk of particular types of bladder cancer, most notably squamous cell carcinoma and adenocarcinoma of the bladder. This would include chronic infections such as Schistosomiasis or recurrent urinary tract infections (UTIs).(35,36) It also includes conditions that cause a neurogenic bladder, requiring frequent catheterizations.(37,38) Patients with congenital anomalies such as bladder exstrophy and spina bifida that lead to bladder dysfunction and often require catheterizations are also at increased risk for bladder cancer development. Having a chronic catheter, whether due to a neurogenic cause such as a spinal cord injury or from a non-neurogenic cause such as benign prostate hyperplasia, primary bladder hypermotility, or urethral stricture disease has, on their own, been linked to a 4-8 fold increased risk of bladder cancer development.(39,40) The latency period from chronic catheter use to bladder cancer diagnosis is thought to be 20-30 years depending on the type of bladder drainage.

vii. Idiopathy

Despite all that is known about bladder cancer risk factors, its estimated that approximately 40% of bladder cancer cases cannot be attributed to a known risk factor.(41) These cases are termed idiopathic, as the underlying cause is either spontaneous or not yet known. Dr. Longo states in his report that it is his opinion that "bladder cancer is rarely idiopathic in the sense that it is likely to have a known cause." (Longo - Criswell Report, p. 14).

He previously cites to the American Cancer Society website, which states that, in fact, “researchers don’t know exactly what causes most bladder cancers. But they have found some risk factors and are starting to understand how some of them might cause cells in the bladder to become cancer.”⁵ I would agree with this statement. Despite all that is known in the literature regarding risk factors, when I perform a differential etiology on my patients, I am often left with a lifetime non-smoker, without a family or occupational significant for bladder cancer development, and without any other contributing risk factors. This is a common occurrence in my bladder cancer focused practice and is termed idiopathy. It should also be noted that idiopathy is not a diagnosis sole of exclusion. When building a differential etiology, there are sometimes several weak potential risk factors, such as a very light smoking history or a single cousin with a bladder cancer history. In these cases, idiopathy may still be the most likely etiology even when there are other potential contributing risk factors.

D. Diagnosis and Management

i. Initial Presentation and Workup

Bladder cancer is typically discovered when a patient notices blood in their urine (termed gross hematuria) or when their doctor discovers microscopic blood in the urine (microscopic hematuria). Occasionally, a bladder mass is uncovered on imaging studies (i.e. a CT or ultrasound) performed for another reason. Typically, a patient with hematuria is referred to a urologist where a cystoscopy is performed. During a cystoscopy, a small flexible scope is placed through the urethra into the bladder where a tumor (benign or malignant) may be identified. The patient then undergoes a Transurethral Resection of a Bladder Tumor (TURBT), which is a

⁵ American Cancer Society website
(<https://www.cancer.org/content/dam/CRC/PDF/Public/8558.00.pdf>).

surgery performed under anesthesia where the bladder mass is resected endoscopically. This is both therapeutic in that it removes the mass, and diagnostic in that if the mass is found to be malignant, the TURBT will stage the cancer. Bladder cancer stages are typically divided into 3 major subcategories: non-muscle invasive bladder cancer, comprising approximately 70% of all new bladder cancer cases, muscle invasive bladder cancer, comprising 25% of new cases, and metastatic cancer, comprising 5% of new cases.(1)

ii. Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer

Patients whose bladder cancer does not invade the muscularis propria (muscle layer) of the bladder are considered to have non-muscle invasive bladder cancer (NMIBC), which is Stage 1 bladder cancer. NMIBC can be further subdivided into low, intermediate, or high risk NMIBC. Low risk NMIBC is defined by a patient with a low grade, noninvasive tumor less than 3cm in size. Intermediate risk is defined by recurrent low grade noninvasive tumors, multiple low-grade tumors in the bladder, or a smaller than 3cm high grade noninvasive tumor. High risk NMIBC is defined by carcinoma in situ (CIS), high grade cancer invading the lamina propria (HGT1), or a larger than 3cm high grade noninvasive tumor.(42) Depending on the NMIBC risk category, these patients are treated with observation or bladder immunotherapy or chemotherapy washes (termed intravesical instillations). The most common intravesical therapy is Bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG), which is the recommended treatment for high risk NMIBC. The typical course of treatment involves aqueous drug delivered through a urinary catheter, where it dwells within the bladder for 1-2 hours. BCG is given weekly for 6 weeks in the induction phase, and then if there is no evidence of recurrences, maintenance phase instillations would be given weekly for 3 weeks at 3, 6, 12, 18, 24, 30 and 36 months.

iii. Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer

Patients whose bladder cancer invades their muscle wall but does not involve their lymph nodes or distant organs have Stage 2 muscle invasive bladder cancer (MIBC). These patients typically undergo chemotherapy with radiation or chemotherapy with radical cystectomy (bladder removal) and urinary diversion. The latter more common option involves 2-3 months of chemotherapy followed by a radical cystectomy, in which the bladder, urethra, and certain gender-specific organs (and prostate in a man and uterus, fallopian tubes, ovaries, and anterior vaginal wall in a woman) are removed along with pelvic lymph nodes, and the urinary system is then reconstructed. After surgery patients may receive immunotherapy (nivolumab) for a year if they continue to have muscle invasive cancer on their pathology report, or if cancer is found in their lymph nodes. Patients typically choose one of three urinary diversions: 1) a ileal conduit, which is an incontinent diversion in which the urinary system is reconnected to a piece of intestine that functions as a tube, bringing urine to the skin where it drains through a stoma into an external appliance; 2) an ileal neobladder: in which a much larger piece of intestine is formed into a sphere within the body and attached on one end to the ureters and the other end to the urethra, functioning as an internal option in which patients learn to urinate by creating intraabdominal pressure to void; or 3) a continent cutaneous diversion, in which part of a patient's large and small intestine are used to formulate a reservoir internally, and patients eliminate urine by catheterizing themselves through a channel made of intestines connecting their umbilicus (belly button) to the reservoir. While clinical outcomes related to radical cystectomy have improved over the last several decades, the surgery continues to be associated with an approximately 20% rate of hospital readmission and an approximately 40% rate of complications of varying severities. Some patients are candidates for bladder preservation based

on the location, stage and histology of the bladder cancer. One such bladder preservation treatment modality is termed trimodality therapy (TMT). With TMT, the cancer is treated with 4-6 weeks of daily radiation with concurrent weekly chemotherapy. Approximately 5-10% of patients with MIBC in the United States are treated with this modality, which is always coupled with routine imaging (i.e. CT scan or MRI) as well as cystoscopies to assess for local and systemic cancer recurrences.

iv. Locally Advanced and Metastatic Bladder Cancer

Patients with Stage 3-4 bladder cancer have locally advanced or metastatic disease and these patients receive systemic therapy (either chemotherapy, immunotherapy, targeted therapies, or combination therapy) with a more limited role for surgery or radiation. In recent years there have been dramatic changes in therapies approved for advanced bladder cancer. While historically chemotherapy was the only treatment option for locally advanced or metastatic bladder cancer, more recent immunotherapies in the form of immune checkpoint inhibitors (i.e. pembrolizumab) have been approved, and in 2024 combination therapies (i.e. Enfortumab Vedotin/pembrolizumab or cisplatin/gemcitabine/nivolumab) have now largely replaced traditional chemotherapy as a new standard of care for these patients.

v. Prognosis

Stage is a crucial indicator of prognosis, with estimated 5-year cancer specific survival (CSS) for patients with High-Risk Non-muscle invasive bladder cancer (Stage 1) being 90%, while patients with locally advanced bladder cancer (Stage 2) have a 5 year CSS of 48% and patients with metastatic disease (Stage 3-4) have a 5 year CSS of 8%.(43)

III. Summary of Pertinent Facts in Terry Dyer's Case

A. Diagnosis

Terry Dyer, at the age of fifty-two, was diagnosed with non-muscle invasive bladder cancer on May 20, 2009, based on a surgical pathology report obtained from a transurethral resection of a bladder tumor (TURBT).

B. Camp Lejeune Exposure History

Mrs. Dyer is a 68-year-old female born on [REDACTED], 1956, who claims to have resided at Camp Lejeune military base as a child from January 1958 to January 1973, with her father, John L. Fristoe, a civilian educational specialist and, later, school principal. Mrs. Dyer claims to have frequented the Hadnot Point and Tarawa Terrace areas of the Camp Lejeune.

I am relying on the opinions of the United States' risk assessment experts, Dr. Judy LaKind and Dr. Lisa Bailey. In her report, Dr. LaKind describes the daily exposure doses for oral and dermal exposures and daily exposure concentrations for inhalation exposures calculated for Mrs. Dyer for the volatile organic compounds at issue with respect to Camp Lejeune water. Using Dr. LaKind's exposure estimates, Dr. Bailey performed a risk assessment to assess Mrs. Dyer's cancer risk with respect to her estimated chemical exposures. Based on conservative regulatory risk calculations, it is Dr. Bailey's opinion to a reasonable degree of scientific certainty that there is insufficient evidence to conclude that Mrs. Dyer's exposures to TCE, PCE, benzene, vinyl chloride, and 1,2 tDCE from tap water during her residence at Camp Lejeune are causally associated with his bladder cancer.

C. Social and Family History

Mrs. Dyer is reported to have a minimal, remote smoking history. Mrs. Dyer testified to a social smoking history, and her husband corroborated this history. Medical reports have

reported her smoking history as “previous smoker, very light,” “two cigarettes a day for two years,” “former smoker [of cigarettes] - .25 packs/days for 1 year [starting 4/24/1974],” and ¼ pack of cigarettes per day from April 1972 to January 1974 between ages 18 and 22. In addition to cigarette smoking, Mrs. Dyer smoked marijuana in her youth and reported daily use as recently as 2024. Mrs. Dyer also appears to have been exposed to secondhand cigarette smoke at times between 1974 to 2018 through her husband of Mrs. Dyer, John Dyer, who reported smoking cigarettes around Mrs. Dyer. Mr. Dyer reported smoking less than one pack per day when he smoked.

In his report, Dr. Longo confirmed Mrs. Dyer’s smoking history but discounted it as too remote to be relevant. Dr. Longo discussed the definition of “nonsmoker” as “[a]n adult who has never smoked, or who has smoked less than 100 cigarettes in his or her lifetime” and concludes that Mrs. Dyer fits into this category. Despite the remote smoking history Mrs. Dyer’s smoking history per her medical records, as referred to by Dr. Longo, confirms two cigarettes a day for two years. Dr. Longo concludes that Mrs. Dyer’s testimony is consistent with the definition of “nonsmoker”, but reliance on her medical records would place her into the CDC definition of a smoker. I would view Mrs. Dyer as a former smoker with a short duration and low intensity smoking history.

In addition, Mrs. Dyer worked in the 1980s as a licensed nail technician and manicurist for an unspecified period of time in a spa. In the 1980s and early 1990s, Mrs. Dyer left the spa and began taking clients at her house sometime. With respect to her at-home clients, it is reported that Mrs. Dyer had her clients remove their nail polish themselves.

Mrs. Dyer's maternal Grandmother, Reka Floyd Boyette, died of breast cancer. While some urinary bladder health issues are noted within Mrs. Dyer's family history, there is no reported familial history of bladder cancer.

D. Bladder Cancer Medical History

On May 12, 2009, Mrs. Dyer presented to Dr. John Lovett with gross hematuria. She subsequently had a cystoscopy demonstrating a 5mm anterior bladder mass. On May 20, 2009, she underwent a transurethral resection of a bladder tumor (TURBT—referenced subsequently as “TURBT 1”), which revealed a low grade noninvasive (LgTa) bladder cancer. In the recovery room she was administered intravesical mitomycin C (MMC) chemotherapy. She was thus managed without further therapies and two months later, on July 17, 2009, a surveillance cystoscopy revealed 2 bladder tumors. Three days later, on July 20, 2009, she underwent another TURBT (subsequently referenced as “TURBT 2”) and an immediate instillation again of mitomycin C. Pathology from TURBT 2 was consistent with a high-grade urothelial bladder cancer, invading into the lamina propria, with surrounding carcinoma in situ. The stage at that time would thus be High Grade T1 with CIS (HGT1 w/CIS). Eleven days later, on August 1, 2009, the patient underwent a restaging TURBT (subsequently referred to as “TURBT 3”), and the pathology revealed benign tissue and no evidence of residual cancer. She was referred to Dr. Raj Pruthi at University of North Carolina Medical Center who recommended an induction course of intravesical BCG for Mrs. Dyer's high risk non-muscle invasive bladder cancer (NMIBC). She began these treatments on August 24, 2009, 23 days following her restaging TURBT.

From August 24, 2009, to October 19, 2009, she underwent six intravesical installations of the BCG, and during these instillations she experienced both gross hematuria and severe

cystitis manifested as urinary frequency and urgency. Despite these symptoms, she underwent a post-BCG TURBT (referred to as “TURBT 4”) on November 11, 2009, 23 days after completing the BCG. Pathology from this TURBT 4 revealed granulomatous inflammation with no evidence of cancer. On December 17, 2009, she started maintenance BCG, and this was complicated by severe BCG cystitis, manifesting as fever, back pain, and continued gross hematuria. Despite many of these symptoms she undergoes a full BCG maintenance cycle on December 17, 2009, December 23, 2009, and December 31, 2009, and according to Dr Lovett she actually received INH therapy with BCG. It should be noted that INH would be a treatment for BCG cystitis, which would be given while withholding BCG. It would not be standard practice to continue BCG therapy while simultaneously treating for BCG cystitis with INH.

On February 7, 2010, a surveillance cystoscopy is performed in which a raised erythematous (i.e. red and inflamed) area is identified. Despite the fact that urine cytology was negative for cancer, she underwent a TURBT (subsequently referred to as “TURBT 5”) to resect this raised area. During that TURBT 5 on March 6, 2010, 6 grams of tissue – which constitutes a large amount – was resected and pathology demonstrated “granulomatous inflammation”, consistent with her BCG cystitis without evidence of cancer recurrence. Notably, she was admitted after TURBT 5 for 2 days and transfused 2 units of blood (prbcs). Despite this pathology and her complications from both BCG treatment and TURBT 5, she underwent more maintenance BCG on March 29, 2010, and April 12, 2010, with continued BCG cystitis. Due to persistent suspicions of recurrent bladder cancer, she underwent another TURBT (referred to as “TURBT 6”) on May 25, 2010, with “extensive resection”. The pathology from TURBT 6 was again benign.

Over the summer of 2010, Mrs. Dyer's urinary quality of life worsened considerably, and she saw Dr. Brent Inman at Duke University Medical Center who recommended radical cystectomy due to the patient's severe, irreversible BCG cystitis. Per Dr. Inman, her symptoms can be described as follows: "She continues to have very severe bladder symptoms, including occasional fevers and chills, incontinence, very poor bladder capacity, urinator frequency, and even required blood transfusions for bleeding." (Inman Deposition, p. 65). Thus, on December 6, 2010, she underwent a radical cystectomy and ileal conduit urinary diversion. During this procedure, it was noted that Mrs. Dyer previously underwent a hysterectomy, so the bladder and pelvic lymph nodes were removed. Pathology from the bladder removal surgery revealed no cancer in the bladder, and showed "radiation associated damage," which likely reflected the six TURBTs, two mitomycin installations, and 11 BCG installments all within a year's time that irreversibly damaged Mrs. Dyer's bladder.

E. Post Bladder Cancer Medical History

Mrs. Dyer appeared to have done well with her ileal conduit urinary diversion for some time until she began to have a worsening, symptomatic parastomal hernia. This required a small bowel resection and repair of her parastomal hernia on May 24, 2023. Additionally, she has had recurrent urinary tract infections, which can occur in the setting of a urinary diversion and can lead to periodic hospitalizations. She also complains of fibromyalgia and depression because of the bladder cancer diagnosis, but it appears these pre-existed her bladder cancer and were treated for beginning in the 1990s. Additionally, she has a known family history of depression, as her sister testified that their father suffered from depression and expressed suicidal ideations, and their mother also suffered from depression. Such a strong family history as well as a personal history of depression that predated her bladder cancer diagnosis likely explains these conditions.

In considering whether any relationship exists between Mrs. Dyer's bladder cancer and depression she attributes to her bladder cancer diagnosis, I am relying on the opinions of the United States' forensic neuropsychiatrist, Dr. Harold Burzstajn who has concluded to a reasonable degree of forensic neuropsychiatric certainty that Mrs. Dyer does not suffer from a psychiatric disorder caused by her bladder cancer. She is now more than 15 years out from her non-muscle invasive bladder cancer diagnosis. In my clinical practice patients undergo cancer surveillance with annual CT scans until they are 10 years out from there diagnosis, at which point they are graduated from routine CT screening.

IV. Opinions

My opinions regarding potential causes of Mrs. Dyer developing bladder cancer have been formed by building a differential etiology of competing risks. This differential diagnosis is something that I do daily as a clinician, where I observe signs and symptoms in a patient to formulate potential diagnoses that could be the cause of the aforementioned signs and symptoms. In a similar manner when assessing risk factors for developing bladder cancer, I incorporate the patient's known risk factors, weighted by their relative risk associated with bladder cancer, in order to provide an opinion on the factors most likely responsible for causing their bladder cancer.

A. Differential Etiology/ Diagnosis

Mrs. Dyer was diagnosed with muscle invasive bladder cancer in 2009 in her 50s. This was approximately 35 years after her residency at Camp Lejeune, and approximately 35 years after her last exposure to cigarette smoking.

Smoking: The primary known risk factor for developing bladder cancer in this patient is cigarette smoking. While Mrs. Dyer only smoked ¼ pack per day for two years, as previously

mentioned even a short interval of daily inhalation of cigarette smoke increases one's lifetime bladder cancer risk with an odds ratio greater than 1. If each cigarette is smoked for 5-6 minutes a ¼ pack (5 cigarettes) translates to 30 minutes of daily smoke inhalation for two years. I thus cannot rule out Mrs. Dyer's smoking history as a risk factor for developing bladder cancer.

Occupation: Mrs. Dyer had several different types of jobs, including as a licensed nail technician, a bank teller, and a security guard. There is no data to suggest the occupations of bank teller or security guard are associated with increased risk. There is some data to suggest that hairdressers have increased risk of bladder cancer. At the time of those publications, the occupation of beautician incorporated both hairdressing and manicure. However, very little has been published specifically on nail technician occupational risk. While there is evidence of increased toxin exposure in the urine of nail technicians, one study of female manicurists and cosmetologists in California did not identify an increased risk of bladder cancer.(44,45) Taken together there is insufficient evidence to link nail technician occupation as a risk factor for developing bladder cancer. I therefore can rule out Mrs. Dyer's occupations as a risk factor.

Family History: Another risk factor for bladder cancer that likely is not a factor in this particular case is familial risk. While Mrs. Dyer has a family history of breast cancer in her maternal grandmother, she has no clear history of bladder cancer or bladder cancer associated malignancies. I can rule out Mrs. Dyer's family history as a risk factor for bladder cancer.

Inflammation: She has no evidence of congenital genitourinary issues, chronic urinary tract infections, or chronic foley catheter—negating these as likely causative factors. I can rule out inflammation as a risk factor.

Body Mass Index (BMI): Mrs. Dyer was documented as having a body mass index of 40.45 kg/m² on October 19, 2021. This would be consistent with morbid obesity. A normal healthy

weight is considered a BMI of 18.5-24.9 and any BMI above 25 is considered overweight, with a BMI above 30 obese and above 40 morbidly obese. As previously discussed, it appears that there is a dose response relationship where the relative risk of developing bladder cancer increases as BMI increases.(32,33) I therefore would rule in elevated BMI as a potential risk factor for bladder cancer.

Environmental: Mrs. Dyer allegedly resided at Camp Lejeune from January 1958 to January 1973. As discussed above, I am relying on the United States' general causation experts, Dr. Goodman and Dr. Shields, and the United States' risk assessment experts, Dr. LaKind and Dr. Bailey. There is insufficient evidence to conclude that Mrs. Dyer's potential exposure to TCE, PCE, benzene, vinyl chloride, and 1,2-tDCE from tap water during her time at Camp Lejeune is causally associated with his bladder cancer. Thus, I am able to rule out exposure to Camp Lejeune water as a risk factor for Mrs. Dyer's bladder cancer.

However, Dr. McCarthy, a local treating urologist in the area where Mrs. Dyer lives, testified in his deposition about abnormally high rates of urologic cancer in Southeast North Carolina.

"I have seen over 6,000 cancer patients in this area in the last 16 years, and so, we are always trying to understand why we have such a high instance of urological cancer in this area. And I did things that can contribute and counsel generalized patients on what they can do to try to minimize those exposures." (McCarthy Deposition, p. 24.)

"Yes, Southeast North Carolina, about a 13 higher percent cancer ratio than the rest of the state, and so we, throughout our training and afterwards, have always tried to identify maybe what particular things

people are being exposed to and try to decrease them, especially after they have been diagnosed with cancer.” (McCarthy Deposition, p. 25.)

“The one that's gotten the most play around this area has been the Chemours Plant, which I have gotten into the Cape Fear River, which sources as lot of the water locally.” (McCarthy Deposition, p 28.)

Dr. McCarthy, the local treating physician testified to this. I do not practice urology in that area, but I have no way to dispute this testimony. I therefore cannot rule out her living in Southeast North Carolina as a potential risk factor.

Idiopathy: Despite multiple potential risk factors for development of bladder cancer, idiopathy remains the strongest associated cause of Mrs. Dyer’s bladder cancer. Dr. Longo argues that Mrs. Dyer’ age and gender are both indicative of “significant toxic exposure.” (Dr. Longo Report- pg. 23.) However, there is no data to suggest that patients diagnosed younger are more likely to have known risk factors than patients diagnosed older. In fact, it is far more likely that an older patient will have more identifiable risk factors than a younger patient, and therefore not be considered an idiopathic case of bladder cancer. In my bladder cancer clinical practice, the vast majority of patients who are young (i.e., under 50 years old) are non-smokers, with no known occupational exposures, and no known family history. My research group at Johns Hopkins is actively investigating this group of individuals, but as a generally rule they fall into the idiopathic category when understanding their bladder cancer risk.

B. Conclusions regarding differential etiology

Given what is known about these competing risk factors, my opinion to a reasonable degree of medical certainty is that idiopathy is the most likely contributing risk of her bladder

cancer, with a possibility of her cigarette smoking history, morbid obesity playing contributing roles, and environmental exposure from living in Southeast North Carolina.

C. Prognosis

Mrs. Dyer experienced an unfortunate situation where she was diagnosed with high grade non-muscle invasive bladder cancer, and underwent six TURBTs and eleven BCG treatments over the course of the subsequent year. The second and third TURBTs were close together with just a few days between them, and the BCG therapies were begun to quickly after her third TURBT. In his deposition testimony, Dr. Inman stated that Mrs. Dyer did not receive standard of care bladder cancer management at several junctures in Mrs. Dyer's care and I concur.

When Mrs. Dyer began to experience systemic flu-like symptoms combined with severe, debilitating lower urinary tract symptoms, BCG should have been stopped. Her symptoms were severe enough that Dr. Lovett actually initiated INH therapy, which is a treatment given for disseminated BCGosis—a life threatening systemic infection like side effect of BCG. However, the INH was given in conjunction with BCG, a decision that falls well outside of the standard of care. If INH is given for BCG cystitis or BCGosis, then BCG should be stopped.

Additionally, Mrs. Dyer underwent six TURBTs in the course of a single year, and the last 3 were likely unnecessary. As Dr. Inman noted in his deposition, the pathology from these TURBTs demonstrates that the bladder was experiencing a severe reaction to BCG, termed BCG cystitis. An in-office biopsy could have demonstrated that the erythema in the bladder was simply treatment effect. Yet, she was taken for a fourth TURBT on November 11, 2009. Despite that TURBT showing benign pathology, she was taken back again to the operating room for a fifth TURBT on March 6, 2010, due to erythema without a biopsy first. Six grams of tissue were removed, Mrs. Dyer was admitted, and the TURBT resulted in the rare complication

of an overnight admission and the need for her to receive two units of packed red blood cells—highly unusual for these types of surgeries. And yet when that pathology was also benign, the urologist again took her for a sixth TURBT on May 25, 2010, where an extensive resection was done for what was clearly a reaction to the continued use of BCG—not recurrent cancer.

Taken together, Mrs. Dyer's bladder likely could not tolerate the significant amount of surgical and medical therapy in such a short time. She unnecessarily underwent three surgeries (TURBT Nos. 4,5,6), and should never have continued maintenance BCG, much less the combination of BCG with INH. As a result of this overtreatment, she underwent a radical cystectomy and ileal conduit urinary diversion, which was ultimately complicated thirteen years later by a parastomal hernia requiring repair. While parastomal hernias are quite common after ileal conduit urinary diversions, they almost always can be managed with conservative measures, including hernia belts and weight loss. The largest risk factor for parastomal hernias is obesity, and weight loss is in particular associated with a reduction in symptoms.

Additionally, her bladder symptoms which were a complication of her treatments, could have been avoided if her urologist had allowed time for her bladder to heal between TURBTs, not given her BCG when she had active gross hematuria, stopped the BCG when symptoms developed, and not undertaken unnecessary TURBTs when there was clearly bladder inflammation from the BCG without evidence of cancer on multiple urine tests. Her cystectomy was not the result of her bladder cancer but was due to a complication of her cancer treatments that could have and would have been avoided had Dr. Lovett stopped Mrs. Dyer's BCG treatments in November or December of 2009. For context, I manage more than 50 newly diagnosed bladder cancer patients each year who receive BCG. I have managed BCG cystitis many times in my career. I have never performed a cystectomy solely for BCG cystitis because

with cessation of the BCG, and bladder rest, the symptoms either resolve or are reduced significantly. Her prognosis from the standpoint of long-term cancer control is excellent, as her risk of having a distant recurrence now with over 10 years of durable complete response is under 1%. While the radical cystectomy addressed those local symptoms, it came at the cost of long-term complications such as a parastomal hernia and recurrent urinary tract infections. At this point, I would estimate a 20-30% risk of a subsequent complication requiring surgical intervention due to the combination of her 2010 surgery and 2023 parastomal hernia repair.

V. Conclusion

In conclusion, it is my opinion that 1) Mrs. Dyer did have a pathologically confirmed diagnosis of non-muscle invasive bladder cancer. 2) Her bladder cancer was most likely caused by a combination the idiopathic nature of bladder cancer with possible contributing risk factors of a short-term smoking history, an elevated BMI, and environmental exposure in Southeast North Carolina, and her bladder cancer was unlikely caused by exposure to water at Camp Lejeune.

These are my opinions as of the date of this report. These opinions are based upon my training and experience, my review of the case-specific records or materials, and my review of the medical literature. As further information is acquired, I reserve the right to amend, alter, or supplement my opinions as appropriate. All my opinions are made to a reasonable degree of medical certainty.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Max Kates', with a horizontal line drawn underneath it.

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Doris Duke Clinical Research Fellow, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, NY (Mentor: James McKiernan_

2012-2013

Intern, General Surgery, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD

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Resident, Urologic Surgery, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD

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Society of Urologic Oncology Fellow, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD

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Research Assistant, Harvard Medical School, Department of Health Policy

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| 2002 | National Association of Secondary School Principals Leader Award |
| 2004 | Mount Sinai School of Medicine Humanities and Medicine Scholar |
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| 2006 | Team Captain, Wood Memorial Award, Wesleyan University Tennis Team |
| 2011 | Oral Presentation Award, Mount Sinai Medical Student Research Day |
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FUNDING

EXTRAMURAL Funding

Current

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| 2021-2026 | Title: A study of intravesical enfortumab vedotin for treatment of patients with non-muscle invasive bladder cancer (NMIBC) [EV-10] PN22032704 Seagen \$1,124,883.00 Role: PI (2% effort) |
| 2022-2027 | Phase 3, Single-Arm, Multicenter Study of UGN-102 as Primary Chemoablative Therapy in Patients with Low grade Non-Muscle-Invasive Bladder Cancer at intermediate Risk of Recurrence Urogen \$300,000 Role: PI (1% effort) |

Previous

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| 2015-2016 | “Nanoparticle Approaches to Improving the Immunologic Response to Intravesical Chemotherapy for Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer” Russell Scott, Jr. MD Urology Research Fund Urology Care Foundation and American Urological Association Office of Research \$40,000 PI (50% effort) |
| 2015-2016 | “T-cell receptor sequencing in urine as a biomarker for bladder cancer” |

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| | Adaptive Biotechnology |
| | \$50,000 |
| | PI (0% effort) |
| 2018-2022 | A Phase 2b, Single-Arm, Multicenter Trial to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of UGN-102 as Primary Chemoablative Therapy in Patients with Low Grade (LG) Non-Muscle-Invasive Bladder Cancer (NMIBC) at Intermediate Risk of Recurrence (TC-BC-12) |
| | TC-BC-12 |
| | Urogen |
| | \$142,749 |
| | Role: PI (4% effort) |
| 2019-2024 | “Intravesical Cisplatin Chemotherapy and Mechanisms of Resistance for NMIBC” |
| | CSDG-19-001-01 |
| | Clinician Scientist Development Grant |
| | American Cancer Society |
| | \$729,000 |
| | Principal Investigator (50% effort) |
| 2019-2024 | Phase 1/2 Trial Evaluating the Safety and Tolerability of NanoDoce® Injection and Intravesical Instillation in Subjects with Urothelial Carcinoma |
| | J18180 |
| | US Biotest |
| | \$427,458 |
| | Role: PI (10% effort) |
| 2022-2024 | “Phase 1/2 Study of Modern Immunotherapy in BCG-Relapsing Urothelial Carcinoma of the Bladder- (ADAPT-BLADDER)” |
| | R01 CA235681 |
| | Noah Hahn (PI) |
| | \$628,148 |
| | Role: Co-investigator (5% effort) |

INTRAMURAL Funding

Previous

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| 2015-2016 | “Establishment of a Multi-Institutional Active Surveillance Research Network” |
| | Johns Hopkins Septembeard Fund |
| | Brady Urological Institute |
| | \$25,000 |
| | Role: PI (0% effort) |
| 2015-2017 | “Nanomedicine Approaches for Improving Intravesical Delivery of Chemotherapeutic Agents.” |

Greenberg Bladder Cancer Institute Research Fund
Johns Hopkins Greenberg Bladder Cancer Institute
\$100,000
Role: co-PI (0% effort)

2014-2015 “Development of a novel intravesical agent that prevents radiation hemorrhagic cystitis”
Walter and Lucille Rubin Award
Brady Urological Institute
\$20,000
Role: PI (0% effort)

2020-2022 “A Phase II trial for the use of Intravesical Gemcitabine and Docetaxel (GEMDOCE) in
the treatment of BCG naïve Non-muscle invasive Urothelial Carcinoma of the Bladder.”
Chad Holiday Pilot Project Fund
Brady Urological Institute
\$22,500
Role: PI (0% effort)

CLINICAL ACTIVITIES

Clinical Focus:

I have expertise in all areas of urologic oncology, with a particular emphasis on bladder and prostate cancer surgery. With training in both open and minimally invasive approaches, my surgical philosophy is to assess the unique needs of each patient and develop the right treatment plan for their malignancy. As clinical director of the bladder cancer multidisciplinary clinic, I work with the team at the Johns Hopkins Greenberg Bladder Cancer Institute to deliver a personalized approach to bladder cancer.

Certification

Medical, other state/government licensure
NPI: 1487910600
Maryland License: D0079254 Expiration: 9/30/2024
DEA: FK5267706 Expiration 12/31/2026
Maryland Controlled Dangerous Substance License: M83609 Expiration 4/30/2026

Boards, other specialty certification

2/22 American Board of Urology (Board Certified) #21094 Expiration 2/28/2032

Clinical (Service) Responsibilities

Associate Professor, Attending Surgeon (50% clinical)

Clinical Productivity

FY 23: 12,135 wRVU, 329 outpatient surgeries, 106 inpatient surgeries, >500 procedures

Clinical Draw from outside Local/Regional Area

28% of my patients come from outside the state of Maryland

Clinical Program Building / Leadership

2018 Co-Director, Bladder Cancer Precision Medicine Center of Excellence
This program constitutes one of the first programs of its kind for bladder cancer in the United States, and involves a multidisciplinary clinical team working seamlessly with a translational science team to tailor bladder cancer patient management based on cancer genomics and predictive biomarkers.

2020 Director, Bladder Cancer Program
In this current role I lead the clinical and research aspects of the bladder cancer program in the urology department. Under my leadership from 2020 to 2023, surgical case volumes increased 28%, medical oncology visits increased 56% and we underwent a coordinated expansion of our enterprise into the Washington DC area and Southern Pennsylvania. Our research program also grew between 2020 and 2023, with a 28% increase in patients accrued to clinical trials, and multiple PIs with multi-year extramural funding.

2023 Director, Division of Urologic Oncology
In this current role I oversee a team of 14, including 5 urologic oncology faculty members as well as 2 advanced practice providers, 2 nurses, and 5 administrative assistants. Highlights of my tenure thusfar have included the recruitment of 3 faculty members and the successful fundraising of a \$300K urologic oncology innovation fund, which provides early stage “seed” funding for junior faculty and trainees.

Clinical Demonstration Activities to external audience, on or off campus

9/7/19 Resident Preceptorship in Robotic Surgery to national group of urology residents, JHU Blalock building

11/18/19 Presented techniques regarding robotic cystectomy to visiting Chinese delegation, JHU Viragh building

Development of nationally/internationally recognized standard of care
Currently serving as Study Chair on EA8212 BRIDGE, which is a potentially practice changing trial that is randomizing newly diagnosed non-muscle invasive bladder cancer patients to standard of care BCG or Gemcitabine/Docetaxel chemotherapy.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Educational Focus

I am a dedicated educator to the medical students, residents, and fellows I interact with on a daily basis. My educational goals are to train technically sound and emotionally caring physicians and surgeons, and I do that through formal didactics and informal apprentice style teaching in the operating room.

Classroom Instruction

JHMI/Regional

2014-2015 Small Group Instructor, genitourinary pathophysiology for 1st year medical students, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine

2020 Lecturer, “Genes to Society” course for second year medical students

2020-2023 Lecturer, “Approach to hematuria”, Bayview internal medicine didactics (3 separate lecturers)

National

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International

2023 & 2024 Course Director, “Contemporary Techniques in TURBT” American Urologic Association Annual Meeting, instructional course.

Leading a team of 4 faculty, we present case based didactic discussion regarding best practices in transurethral resection for bladder tumors.

Clinical Instruction

JHMI/Regional

2018-2024 As an Attending Surgeon at Johns Hopkins Hospital, I participate daily in surgical education of the resident and medical students

Mentoring

I spend many hours each week mentoring medical student, resident, and fellows in both clinical urology as well as on their research skills and careers. The following is a brief list of trainees that have spent a dedicated research year or summer with me.

Pre-doctoral Advisees /Mentees

2015-2018 Meera Chappidi (mchappi1@jhmi.edu): [Medical Student] currently urology resident UCSF. I mentored Meera during her dedicated research year. Working on clinical bladder cancer projects, she presented at several national meetings and had multiple first author publications. Co-authored article OR40 OR43 OR49 OR50 OR52 OR54 OR58

2015-2017 Aaron Brant (abrant@jhmi.edu): [Medical Student] Currently urology resident NYUI mentored Aaron in his Persky summer research fellowship between 1st and 2nd year of medical school. His project focused on the role of TURBT in accounting for the complete responses seen after neoadjuvant therapy for bladder cancer. He was able to present his work at several national meetings including the AUA and GU-ASCO, and published his work in *Urologic Oncology* article OR 80

2016-2018 Niv Milbar (nmilbar1@jhmi.edu) : [Medical Student]. Currently plastic surgery resident, NYU. Also Mentored Niv during Persky research fellowship on a project assessing our institutional experience with intravesical gemcitabine/docetaxel. Co-authored article OR59

2018-2019 Marcus Daniels (mdaniel56@jhmi.edu): [Medical Student] Currently radiology resident NYU. Spent a dedicated research year with me to advance his knowledge in clinical and translational research in bladder cancer. Co-authored articles OR81 OR84

2022-present Pranjal Agrawal (pagrawa9@jhmi.edu): [Medical Student] Currently an incoming urology resident at Johns Hopkins. Spent a dedicated Persky summer evaluating opportunistic salpingectomy to prevent ovarian cancer at the time of radical cystectomy.

Post-doctoral Advisees /Mentees

2020-present Sunil Patel [urologic oncology fellow]. Co-authored articles OR93 RA15

2022-present Katherine Mahon [urology resident]

2022-present Tony Su [urology resident]

2023-present Michael Rezzae [urologic oncology fellow]

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Research Focus

My research seeks to improve care for patients with urologic disorders by 1) Predicting response to current treatments including intravesical BCG for bladder cancer 2) Developing novel therapies and diagnostic modalities to aid in treating and characterizing disease and 3) Assessing outcomes of failure including surgical complications and staging. As a surgeon with one eye towards the laboratory bench and another towards the patient experience, I hope to be well-adapted to generate important questions and tangible solutions for my patients.

Inventions, Patents, Copyrights

4/22/2020 Co-author [Ensign, L, Hanes J, Date A, Bivalacqua T, Kates M].Method to achieve enhanced delivery to the bladder C1402, pending

ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Institutional Administrative Appointments

NSQIP Collaborative Committee
Robotic Steering Committee
Surgical Instrument Committee
SOM Research Council
ERAS Steering Committee
Wellspan Expansion Committee
Surgical Instrument Committee
Clinical Competency Committee

Editorial Board Appointments

2021-present Consulting Editor, *Urologic Oncology: Seminars and Original Investigations*

Journal peer review activities

2015-present *European Urology*
2015-present *Scientific Reports*
2012-present *Journal of Urology*
2013-present *Urologic Oncology: Seminars and Original Investigations*
2012-present *Urology*
2013-present *BJUI*
2017-present *Clinical Genitourinary Cancer*
2018-present *Bladder Cancer*
2018-present *Journal of Clinical Oncology*
2024-present *New England Journal of Medicine*
2024-present *Journal of Controlled Release*
2024-present *Clinical Cancer Research*

Advisory Committees, Review Groups/Study Sections

2016 Grant Reviewer, Medical Research Council (MRC), United Kingdom 2016
2020 Grant Reviewer, Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network John Quale Fellow, 2020
2021 Grant Reviewer, Swiss National Science Foundation, Switzerland, 2021
2022,2023 Grant Reviewer, Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network Career Development Award

Professional Societies

2012-current Gold Humanism Society

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| 2012-current | Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society |
| 2012-present | American Urological Association |
| 2018-present | Society of Urologic Oncology |
| 2018-current | International Bladder Cancer Network |
| 2020-present | Mid-Atlantic Section of American Urologic Association, Young Urologist Committee Member |
| 2021-present | Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network, BCAN Think Tank Steering Committee (3yr term 9/2021-8/2024) |
| 2023-present | Committee Chair, BCAN John Quale Travel Fellowship Committee |

Invited Talks

JHMI/Regional

- 5/17 Speaker, “Bladder Cancer” ; Bladder Cancer Awareness Month Lunch n’ Learn, Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, MD
- 5/18 Speaker, “Bladder Cancer”; Bladder Cancer Awareness Month Lunch n’ Learn, Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, MD
- 9/19 Guest Faculty/Moderator, National Resident Preceptorship in Robotic Surgery (JHH Campus) , Baltimore, MD
- 9/19 Speaker, Adaptive Immune Resistance to Intravesical BCG in Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer: Implications for Prospective BCG Unresponsive Trials, *Amtrak Alliance Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA
- 12/20 Speaker, “Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer: A Guidelines Based Approach” Mid-Atlantic AUA UroBrief Webinar Series.\, virtual
- 1/21 Speaker, “Bladder Cancer—Management with updates on Chemo/Immunotherapeutic Agents”, Mid-Atlantic AUA APP Annual Meeting, virtual
- 3/23 Speaker- Mid-Atlantic Mondays. “BCG Unresponsive”, virtual
- 9/23 Keynote Speaker, “Updates in NMIBC Trials.” Advances in the Management of Prostate, Kidney, and Bladder Cancers 2023, Washington DC

National

- 10/17 Speaker, AUA Bladder Health Alliance Roundtable, National Bladder Cancer Representative, Linthicum, MD
- 6/18 Speaker, Biology of Bladder Cancer Workshop, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD
- 4/20 Speaker, “Updates in Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer”, Empire Urology Series, New York, NY (This talk was given via zoom videoconference)
- 5/20 Moderator, Bladder Cancer & Urinary Diversion Video Session, American Urological Association Annual Meeting (*This conference was cancelled secondary to the COVID-19 Pandemic*)
- 8/20 Plenary Speaker: “BCG Unresponsive Bladder Cancer: Time to Recalibrate”. Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network Think Tank Virtual Session (2 hr virtual session in lieu of meeting)
- 10/20 Panelist: New Developments and Therapies. Bladder Cancer Summit for Patients and Families (*This conference was made a virtual event secondary to the COVID-19 Pandemic*)
- 12/20 Plenary Speaker: “Next Generation Clinical Trial Design for BCG Unresponsive NMIBC, Society of Urologic Oncology Annual Meeting (*This conference was made a virtual event secondary to the COVID-19 Pandemic*)

- 1/21 *Speaker: What They See in my Pee: Uncovering the Mysteries of Urine Cytology. Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network Patient Webinar (This conference was made a virtual event secondary to the COVID-19 Pandemic)*
- 3/21 *Speaker: "Predicting response to BCG". FDA/AUA/GBCI Joint Symposium: Drug Development in NMIBC from Scientific, Regulatory, Clinician, and Patient Perspectives. (This conference was made a virtual event secondary to the COVID-19 Pandemic)*
- 5/21 *Plenary Speaker: American Urologic Association Annual Meeting, Virtual Kickoff Weekend. Bladder Cancer: Management with Updates on Chemo/Immunotherapeutic Agents*
- 8/21 *Plenary speaker: BCG and the Tumor Microenvironment. Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network Think Tank (This conference was cancelled secondary to the COVID-19 Pandemic)*
- 10/21 *Speaker: Beyond BCG to exploit immunomodulation for bladder cancer therapy 7th Leo & Anne Albert Institute Bladder Cancer Symposium, Kansas City, MO.*
- 5/22 *Speaker, Montefiore Urology Grand Rounds (virtual)*
- 5/22 *Plenary Speaker: "Rescue Therapy and BCG Alternatives in Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer". American Urologic Association Annual Meeting, Society of Urologic Oncology section, New Orleans, LA.*
- 8/22 *Speaker, UPenn Urology Grand Rounds (virtual)*
- 10/22 *Speaker: "Biomarkers of GEMDOCE response", Urologic Research Society (URS), Charlottesville, VA*
- 12/22 *Plenary Speaker: "The future of BCG Naïve Therapy is intravesical", Society of Urologic Oncology (SUO) Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA*
- 2/23 *Plenary Speaker "Next generation therapies in NMIBC", ASCO-GU Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA*
- 4/23 *Plenary Speaker "Optimal Management of cN+ MIBC: PRO local consolidation", SUO at the AUA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.*
- 9/23 *Speaker, "The Rationale for Chemoablation in IR-NMIBC", Albert Institute Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.*
- 2/24 *Plenary Speaker "A New Era in the Perioperative Management of Muscle invasive Bladder Cancer", ASCO-GU Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA*

International

- 8/18 *Speaker, XV Paulista Congress of Urology (Sao Paulo, Brazil). Guest Faculty*
Case Discussions
 - Prostate Cancer Challenging Clinical Case Discussion - International Panel
 - Kidney Cancer Challenging Clinical Case Discussion - International Panel
 - Bladder Cancer Challenging Clinical Case Discussion - International Panel
 - Complications of cystectomy and bladder cancer recurrence after cystectomy (plenary)*Lectures*
 - "BCG shortage, BCG failure and emerging intravesical drugs"
 - Fluorescent light guided cystoscopy – new gold standard? (plenary)
 - Cystectomy in the elderly over 75 years - contemporary evaluation (plenary)
 - Urothelial bladder carcinoma (pT1) - multiple recurrences after intravesical therapy
- 6/19 *Speaker, Pearl River Urology Hi-Tec Forum (Guangzhou, China). Guest Faculty*
 - Fluorescent Blue Light Guided Cystoscopy—The New Gold Standard?
- 9/19 *Speaker, Uro Onco Litoral (Santos, Brazil). Guest Faculty*
Case Discussions
 - Bladder Cancer Challenging Clinical Case Discussion - International Panel*Lectures*

- “BCG Unresponsive Bladder Cancer: When and How to Avoid Cystectomy”
 - Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer Preservation, who, what, and how?
 - Bladder Cancer Lymph Node Dissection in 2019
- 7/20 Speaker, Association of Urologists of Central American and the Caribbean (Meeting cancelled due to COVID-19 and converted to online format). Guest Faculty. “Trimodal therapy for bladder cancer”
- 6/21 Speaker, European Association of Urology (EAU) Section of Urological Research (ESUR) Monthly Webinar Series. Speaker, “Understanding the tumor micro-environment in urological cancers to improve immuno-therapy”
- 10/23 Speaker, Updates on a Phase 2 trial of GemDoce for BCG Naïve NMIBC, and Explorations into Mechanisms of Response. Urologic Research Society, Heidelberg, Germany
- 10/23 Keynote Speaker and Guest Faculty, 15th Hong Kong Urology Symposium, Hong Kong
- “Sequential intravesical gemcitabine and docetaxel for high risk NMIBC”
 - “How to Optimize kidney sparing surgery for UTUC”

Background and Interests

Married - Rena Stern Kates, Esq

Children- Eli (9), Amira (7), Henry (4)

Academic – Student Body President, Alamo Heights High School, San Antonio, Tx

Hobbies – Tennis (former Texas team tennis state champion, former college team captain and #1 player),

Gardening, skiing, hiking, travel.