



**Society of Genitourinary
Reconstructive Surgeons**



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is my honor to serve as President of GURS for the 2017-2018 academic year. I would like to warmly congratulate my friend and colleague, Dr. Steven Brandes, for a highly successful presidency, and an excellent GURS Scientific Program at the AUA Annual Meeting in Boston. Dr. Brandes brought together a wide range of topics, with a focus on robotics and other new technologies as applied to reconstructive surgery, providing an outstanding educational experience for those who joined us for this very well-attended session. I would also like to note the outstanding work of Dr. Sean Elliott, our Secretary-Treasurer, for his energy and commitment to the Society, and of Drew Shifflet, who, along with his talented team, provide superb expertise and support through the AUA as our Executive Director. Welcome as well to our new Board members, who are featured in this communications piece, and many thanks to our current Board members for their tireless efforts in support of our mission.



**Michael Coburn MD,
FACS**

Over the past several years, important progress has been made within our organization. Our website has been greatly enhanced, our on-line GURS news releases have grown to include new features and literature reviews, our Twitter account has been very active, and our efforts in supporting fellowship training programs and collaborative research programs have expanded greatly.

We remain focused on providing the most valuable professional support to the broadest and most inclusive audience of reconstructive surgeons. We are an organization unique in urology – bringing together adult and pediatric urologists, trauma surgeons and those who specialize in all varieties of elective reconstructive. We are a notably international society – with members from many countries, facing diverse challenges of variable resources and technological capabilities, all with the common goal of providing the most effective urologic reconstructive care and furthering our scientific knowledge to expand our capabilities and optimize our results.

We intend to increase our membership in the coming year, reaching out to our international colleagues for creative approaches and continued support. Our Scientific Program at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the AUA in San Francisco will focus on Urologic Trauma. We will explore the key management controversies in trauma management, bring in experts from the trauma surgery and orthopedic communities, and include a diverse, international perspective on both civilian and military injuries. For urologic reconstructive surgeons, trauma management is an area for which we must maintain a high level of knowledge and readiness, as there is little time to prepare when our skills are needed.

I look forward to working closely with all of you as we continue to grow and prosper as a Society, and focus on continued excellence in the extraordinary range of clinical care we provide.

NEW GURS BOARD MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new Board members.

President Elect

Kurt A. McCammon, MD

Urology of Virginia

Secretary Treasurer Elect

Jeremy B. Myers, MD

Department of Surgery - Urology

University of Utah

Board Members

Daniel D. Dugi III, MD, FACS

Oregon Health & Science University

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Consultant Urologist

University of Lisbon School of Medicine

Hospital Santa Maria

Erick Ramirez Perez, MD

Urologist

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