**Dr. Christian Finley**

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Dr. Christian Finley is a national leader in surgical quality, policy, governance, standardization and benchmarking. At the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer, he has led the development of partnerships with national and provincial/territorial governments, surgical societies and cancer agencies to establish solution-oriented approaches to the management of complex systems of care. Dr. Finley is a strategic leader with extensive expertise in the Canadian and International context. He has a track record of sound analytical judgment, organizational governance, and building dynamic teams to tackle key issues.

In addition, as a systems thinker, his national body of work has transformed the way cancer surgery is delivered in many provinces and institutions in Canada and has built a framework for improving the quality of cancer surgery in Canada. Dr. Finley co-founded and leads the national quality improvement project for Thoracic Surgery.

As a thoracic surgeon at one of the busiest centres in Canada, Dr. Finley has led many initiatives that have won awards for quality and patient-centered care. Recognizing a local need, Dr. Finley conceived and fundraised for the creation of a palliative suite for patients to die with dignity.

Dr. Finley has received over 7 million dollars in research funding, published over 50 papers, and has been invited for over 100 national and international presentations. He has received numerous awards, including a prestigious James IV international award supporting outstanding surgical leaders to promote the exchange of knowledge around the globe.

He holds a Masters degree in Public Health from Harvard University, a Doctor of Medicine from University of British Columbia and a Bachelor of Applied Science from Queen’s University. He has been an admissions interviewer for Harvard University for over 8 years.

**Career**

**Associate Professor and Thoracic Surgeon, McMaster University**

Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

Nov 2010 – Present

* Rebuilt the Thoracic Surgery division, in collaboration with peers, to be a leading academic group and one of the largest volume thoracic centre in Canada. This division delivers award winning care with particular attention to patient experience and a comprehensive care approach.
* Streamlined diagnostic and perioperative care to radically increase case volume while significantly reducing length of stay and complications, to consistently improve the patient experience.
* Integrated Comprehensive Care initiative which has led to earlier discharges with fewer emergency visits and readmissions.
* Co-led and designed national thoracic surgery database and quality improvement initiative

**Expert Lead, Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (Partnership)**

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Feb 2016 – Present

* Examined international and national data to identify further gaps and opportunities to support delivery of high quality surgical care in Canada. Led Partnership’s pan-Canadian strategy focused on the development of standards for major cancer surgery nationally with subsequent leadership in knowledge translation and implementation.
* Led national quality improvement projects and encouraged multi-stakeholder collaborations.
* Organized and Chaired a national session at the Innovative Approaches to Optimal Cancer Care in Canada in 2018
* Provide content-specific advice and expertise on improving the quality of surgical cancer care and system performance in cancer control in Canada.
* Designed and built national network for surgery (CANSACC)

**Authored White Papers and Standards**

1. **International Lung Network: Catalyzing improvement in Lung Cancer Care**

* In process
* Lead of international effort to explore the application of standards, benchmarking, and comprehensive planning and application of patient pathways of lung cancer treatment

1. [**Guidance for management of cancer surgery during the COVID-19 Pandemic**](http://canjsurg.ca/63-2-s2/) **(2020)**

* Lead this strategic approach to Canadian cancer surgery approach to COVID-19

1. [**New approaches to cancer care in a COVID-19 world**](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanonc/article/PIIS1470-2045%2820%2930340-5/fulltext) **(2020)**

* Lead work on International structured approach to COVID-19

1. [**Action Plan to Optimize Cancer Surgery in Canada**](https://www.partnershipagainstcancer.ca/topics/cancer-surgical-care-action-plan/) **(2020)**

* Conceived and lead work on a national actional plan for cancer surgery

1. **[Canadian Cancer Statistics: Special Report on Lung Cancer](https://www.cancer.ca/~/media/cancer.ca/CW/cancer%20information/cancer%20101/Canadian%20cancer%20statistics/Canadian-cancer-statistics-2020_special-report_EN.pdf?la=en) (2020)**

* Advisor to the Canadian Cancer Society

1. [**Pan Canadian Standards for Cancer Surgery**](https://canjsurg.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/62-4-S170.pdf) **(2016-2019)**

* Conceived, constructed and lead this Pan-Canadian initiative for standards in Breast, Lung, Rectal and Gynecologic Oncology

1. [**Approaches to High-Risk, Resource Intensive Cancer Surgical Care in Canada**](http://www.cancerview.ca/idc/groups/public/documents/document/high_risk_resource_full_report_en.pdf%20on%2012%20November%202015.) **(2015)**

* Lead and wrote this white paper that showed significant variation on access to care and outcomes measures in Canadian surgical care. It established key recommendations to improve cancer surgery in Canada

**Educational Background**

**Degrees and Diplomas**

2010 Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada, Thoracic Surgery

2008 Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada, General Surgery

2006 Masters of Public Health, Harvard University, Boston

2002 Doctor of Medicine, University of British Columbia, Vancouver  
1998 Bachelor of Applied Science, Queen’s University, Kingston

**Honours and Awards**

2018 James IV Fellowship

2016 European Society of Thoracic Surgeons, 2016 ESTS-AATS Graham Foundation award

2015 St. Joseph’s Healthcare Hamilton, Dr. Peder Larsen Memorial Award for Excellence

2015 Cancer Care Ontario, Cancer Quality Council of Ontario Quality Award

2014 Cancer Care Ontario, Cancer Quality Council of Ontario Quality Award

2010 PSI Resident Research Prize

2009 Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Grant

2009 University of Toronto, Pearson Day research Prize

2008 Canadian Journal of Surgery, MacLean Mueller Prize

2005 American Association of Thoracic Surgeons, C. Walton Lillehei

2004 The University of British Columbia, Department of Surgery Research Prize

2003 BC Medical Journal, J.H. Macdermot Writing Prize

2003 Pacific Northwest Vascular Society, Research Prize

2002 Dr. A.B. Schinbein Memoral Surgery prize

2001 Janet L. Berryman Medicine Scholarship

2000 David and Anne Beach Scholarship

1999 Park Davis Prize

1999 Albert Steiner Award

1998 Michelle Mainland Medal (Elected by Class)

1998 Mark Latham Scholarship (for leadership and integrity)

1998 Gwynne-Vaughan Memorial Award

1995-1998 Queen’s University, Dean’s Scholar

**Journal Referee**

2011 - Present Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, Reviewer, Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery

2011 - Present Annals of Thoracic Surgery, Reviewer, Annals of Thoracic Surgery

2014 - 2018 European Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery, Reviewer, European Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery

2012 - 2018 Canadian Journal of Surgery, Reviewer, Canadian Journal of Surgery

2012 - 2014 Diseases of the Esophagus Journal, Reviewer, Diseases of the Esophagus

2011 - 2014 Journal of Surgical Oncology, Reviewer, Journal of Surgical Oncology

2012 – 2014 Canadian Medical Association Journal, Canadian Medical Association Journal

**Leadership**

2019 – Present Workplace Safety and Insurance Appeals Tribunal, Medical Assessor

2019 – Present MD Management – Physician Advisory Committee

2018 - Present OMA Thoracic Surgery Chair

2018 - Present College of Reviewers CIHR

2016 - Present Canadian Institutes of Health Research, Grant Reviewer

2012 – Present Canadian Association of Thoracic Surgeons Conference Organizer

2010 - Present Ontario Thoracic Cancer Conference, Organizing Committee

2019 Academic Leadership Certificate, McMaster University

2018 Organizer Breast Cancer Surgical Session, Canadian Surgical Forum

2015 - 2018 The Lung Association, Clinical Science Review Panel

2017 Organizer Rural Cancer Surgery Session, Canadian Surgical Forum

2017 Innovative Approaches to Optimal Cancer Care in Canada, Organizing Committee

**International and National Committees and Leadership**

2020 – Present Task Force on Preventative Health Care Guideline - Advisor

2019 Academic Leadership Program, McMaster University

2018 – Present International Clinical Benchmarking- Lung Lead

2011 – Present National Database Thoracic Surgery- National Quality Improvement Project

2012 – Present Canadian Association of Thoracic Surgeons, Executive

2013 National Pathology Standards Committee, Canadian Partnership Against Cancer

**RESEARCH FUNDING**

**Grants Peer Reviewed** (Primary Investigator’s name is the first name listed)

2020 Apr – 2021 Mar John Agzarian, Anand Swaminath, Co-Investigators: Christine Fahim, Asghar Naqvi, Yaron Shargall, **Christian Finley**, Wael Hanna. Evaluating the Histologic Effects of Neoadjuvant Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT) followed by Pulmonary Metastasectomy—Post SBRT Pulmonary Metastasectomy (PSPM) Firestone Institute for Respiratory Health Grant, $15000, 1 Year

2019 Jul – 2020 Jun Agzarian J, Swaminath A, Fahim C, Naqvi A, Shargall Y, **Finley C**, Hanna WC.

Evaluating the Histologic Effects of Neoadjuvant Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT) followed by Pulmonary Metastasectomy—Post SBRT Pulmonary Metastasectomy (PSPM) Trial McMaster Surgical Associates Innovation grant, $29,967, 1 year

2019 Jul – 2020 Jun Agzarian J, Swaminath A, Fahim C, Naqvi A, Shargall Y, **Finley C**, Hanna WC.

Evaluating the Histologic Effects of Neoadjuvant Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT) followed by Pulmonary Metastasectomy—Post SBRT Pulmonary Metastasectomy (PSPM) Trial

Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre Foundation (JHCCF) Grant, $92,523 1 year

2019 Mar – 2022 Conen D; Alonso P; Baldini G; Bergese S; Bessissow A; Biccard B; Cata J; Chan M; Cheng A; de Nadal M; Devereaux PJ; Donahoe L; Eikelboom J; Essandoh M; Farto Viana F; **Finley C**; Fleischmann E; Hashim S; Healey J; Jauregui A; Jolly S; Kleiman A; Lamy A; Martinez-Zapata MJ; Mehran R; Meyhoff C; Mrkobrada M; Neary J; Nicolaou G; Painter T; Parlow J; Popova E; Sessler D; Shargall Y; Srinathan S; Szczeklik W; Tandon V; Terblanche N; Thabane L; Wang CY; Wijeysundera D; Hardikar A; Kuzdal J; Nemergut E; Xavier D. Colchicine for the prevention of perioperative atrial fibrillation (COP-AF) trialCIHR Project Scheme Fall 2018 Bridge funding; 1 year of $100,000 with plan for full 3 year $ 2,745,000 budget to be resubmitted.

2019 – 2024 Shargall Y; Hanna WC; **Finley C**; Agzarian J; Crowther M; Douketis J; Linkins LA; Waddell TK; Malthaner R; Seely A; Schieman C; Turner S; Kidane B; Bond J; Farrokhyar F; Boylan C; Wigel D; Murthy S; Uy K; Lin J; Scarci M; Bertolaccini L; Brunelli A; Dutly A; Carboni G; Izhar U; Peysakhovich Y; Li H. Extended VTE prophylaxis (VTE-PRO) in Thoracic Surgery: A prospective, randomized controlled study using DOACs or placebo post hospital discharge. CIHR Project Scheme Spring 2019; $4,020,000, 5 years (under review)

2018 Jan - 2020 Dec Seely A; Ferri L; **Finley CJ,** Waddell TK, Ramsay T., Implementation of a national quality improvement and clinical trials network in thoracic surgery, Grant, Electronic Synoptic Surgery Quality Initiative at the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (CPAC), Operating, $727,956.00

2017 Apr - 2020 Apr Conen D, Bandar M, deBeer J, Connolly S, Devereaux PJ, **Finley C**, Forbes S, Harlock J, Healy J, Lamy A, Le Manach Y, Marucci M, Mrkobrada M, Shargall Y, Sharma M, Szczeklik W, Tandon V, Whitlock R, Prevention and treatment of perioperative atrial fibrillation, Grant, HHS Research Strategic Initiative Program, Clinical Trial, $300,000.00

2017 Jul - 2019 Jun Hanna WC, Shargall Y**, Finley C**, Amin N, Beauchamp M, Hambly N, Wald J, Fahim C, Move for Surgery: Evaluating the use of wearable technology for preconditioning before thoracic surgery, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates, Clinical Trial, $29,476.00

2017 Jul - 2019 Jun Hanna WC, Shargall Y, **Finley C,** Development of an online teaching tool for sonographic lymph node assessment in staging of malignancies of the chest, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates, Clinical Trial, $25,726.00

2017 Jul - 2019 Jun Partnerships for Health System Improvement for Cancer Control Program

2017 Jul - 2019 Jun Shargall Y, Finley C, Hanna WC, Fahim C, Simunovic M, Development and evaluation of the IRIS-AR intervention to improve accrual and reduce attrition for the VTE-PRO randomized controlled trial, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates, Clinical Trial, $20,884.00

2016 Jul - 2018 Jul Hanna WC, Schieman C, Finley CJ, Shargall Y, Farrokhyar F, Kapoor A, O’Hare T., A Pilot Randomized Control Trial Comparing Routine Urinary Catheterization vs. No-Urinary Catheterization at the Time of Thoracoscopic Pulmonary Resection (UCathStudy), Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates Clinical Research Grant, Clinical Trial, $28,829.66

2017 Jul - 2018 Jun Hanna WC, Shargall Y, Finley C, Beauchamp M, Mbuagbaw L, Move for Surgery Phase B: Designing and implementing a preconditioning intervention in thoracic surgery, Grant, St. Joseph’s Healthcare Research Institute Collaboration Grant, Clinical Trial, $50,000.00

2016 Jul - 2018 Jun Hanna WC, Shargall Y, Schieman C, Finley CJ, Farrokhyar F, Yasufuku K, Czarnecka K, Nasir B., Prospective validation of a malignancy scoring system during endoscopic evaluation of mediastinal lymph nodes for lung cancer, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates Clinical Research Grant, Clinical Trial, $24,765.00

2015 Aug - 2017 Jul Finley C, Boyle A; Farrokhyar F, Evaluation of the implementation of an integrated early palliative care program in the esophageal cancer population., Grant, St. Joseph’s Healthcare Foundation Research Collaboration Grant, Clinical Trial, $50,000.00

2016 Jun - 2017 Jun Tsakiridis T; Hanna WC, Shargall Y, Finley C, Phase I Study: Locally invasive NSCLC treatment with net-adjuvant stereotactic body radiation and resection (LINNEARRE I), Grant, Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Care Foundation, Clinical Trial, $65,875.00

2015 Jul - 2017 Jun Schieman C, Shargall Y; Hanna WC; Farrokhyar F; Healey J; Douketis J; Devereaux PJ., Determining the True Incidence of Atrial Fibrillation Within 30 Days Following Lung Resection (Lung-AF Study), Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates, Clinical Trial, $29,925.00

2015 Jul - 2017 Jun Shargall Y, Crowther M; Douketis J; Linkins LA; Hanna WC; Schieman C; Waddell TK; De Perrot M; Agzarian J; Farrokhyar F; Boylan C., Extended Low-Molecular Weight Heparin VTE Prophylaxis in the Thoracic Surgical population, a randomized controlled pilot study, Grant, CIHR Transitional Open Operating Grant Program, Clinical Trial, $243,537.00

2014 Jul - 2016 Jun Hanna WC, Finley C; Shargall Y; Schieman C; Farrokhyar F, Incentive Spirometry Added to Physiotherapy to Reduce Postoperative Pulmonary Complications after Lung Surgery: A Prospective Blinded Randomized Trial, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates Clinical Research Grant, Clinical Trial, $30,000.00

2014 Sep - 2015 Sep Thoracic Peri-Operative Integrative Surgical care Evaluation Trial (Thoracic POISE Trial), Grant, Lotte and John Hecht Foundation, Clinical Trial, $3,853,888.00

2013 Oct - 2015 Sep Devereaux PJ, Srinathan S; Alshalash S; Healey J; Finley C; Pogue J; Rodseth R; Shargall Y., Colchicine for prevention of peri-operative atrial fibrilation in patients undergoing thoracic surgery (COP-AF) pilot trial, Grant, Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Research - New Project, $83,445.00

2014 Jul - 2015 Jun Hanna WC, Finley C; Shargall Y; Schieman C; Farrokhyar F, Does Intense Surveillance Improve the Rates of Therapeutic Re-Intervention After Lung Cancer Surgery: A Pilot Study For the Intense-CT Trial, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates Clinical Research Grant, Clinical Trial, $29,700.00

2013 Apr - 2015 Mar Finley C, Schieman C; Shargall Y; Miller J; Sur R; Juergens R; Dhesy-Thind B; Boylan C; Woods A; Farrokhyar F., Evaluation of a patient-focused, nurse navigated esophageal cancer disease management pathway program, Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $177,260.00

2013 Apr - 2015 Mar Finley, Christian, Boylan Colm, Dhesy-Thind Sukhbinder, Farrokhyar Forough, Juergens Rosalyn, Shargall Yaron, Sur Ranjan, Woods Anne, Evaluation of a patient-focused, nurse navigated esophageal cancer disease management pathway program, Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $177,260.00

2013 Apr - 2015 Mar Shargall, Yaron, Douketis James, Farrokhyar Forough, Finley Christian, Linkins Lori-Ann, Miller John, Schieman Colin, Extended out -of-hospital lowmolecular-weight heparin prophylaxis against deep venous thrombosis and Pulmonary Embolus in patients undergoing major lung resection for thoracic malignancies: a prospective, randomised study, Grant, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada (HSFC), Research - New Project, $141,361.00

2013 Apr - 2015 Mar Shargal Y, Finley C., Miller J., Schieman C., Douketis J., Linkins LA., Boylan C., Farrokhyar F., Gelberg J., Extended out-of-hospital low-molecular-weight heparin prophylaxis against deep venous thrombosis and Pulmonary Embolus in patients undergoing major lung resection: A pilot study to evaluate the incidence of DVT and PE after major lung resection., Grant, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada, Operating, $141,361.00

2013 Sep - 2014 Dec Finley, Christian, Abelson Julia, Akhtar-Danesh Noori, Schieman Colin, Shargall Yaron, Discussion Paper on the Approach to High-Risk, Resource-Intense Cancer Surgery in Canada: Executive Summary, Grant, Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (CPAC), Research - New Project, $374,801.00

2013 Jun - 2014 Jul Schieman, Colin, Finley Christian, Shargall Yaron, Creation of a national, collaboratively designed educational program for CanMEDS Non-Medical Core Competencies in Thoracic Surgery., Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $15,000.00

2013 May - 2014 Jul Finley, Christian, Farrokhyar Forough, Schieman Colin, Shargall Yaron, Implementation and Verification of a Synoptic Operative Report for Lung Cancer, Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $30,000.00

2013 Jul - 2014 Jun Devereaux, Philip, Srinathan S; Alshalash S; Neary J; Healey J; Finley C; Pogue J; Rodseth R; Shargall Y, Colchicine for prevention of peri-operative atrial fibrilation in patients undergoing thoracic surgery (COP-AF) pilot trial, Grant, Physicians Services Incorporated Foundation (The) (PSI), Research - New Project, $46,000.00

2013 Jul - 2014 Jun Schieman C, Shargall Y; Finley C; Grondin S, Creation of a collaboratively designed educational program for the CanMEDS non-medical Core Competencies in Thoracic Surgery, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates Education Grant, Education Research, $15,000.00

2013 May - 2014 Apr R Juergens; R Sur; Y Shargall, B Dhesy-Thind; C Finley; E McWhirter; J Miller; C Schieman, A phase II randomized study of neoadjuvant brachytherapy followed by chemotherapy with cisplatin and 5FU compared to neoadjuvant chemoradiation with external beam radiation concurrent with cisplatin and 5FU for patients with adenocarcinoma of the esophagus, Grant, HHSF, Research - New Project, $100,000.00

2013 Oct - 2014 Mar Devereaux, Philip, Finley Christian, Healey Jeffrey, Pogue Janice, Rodseth Reitze, Shargall Yaron, Srinathan Sadeesh, Colchine for prevention of peri-operative atrial fibrilation in patients undergoing thoracic surgery (COP-AF)pilot trial, Grant, Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Research - New Project, $83,445.00

2012 Jul - 2014 Mar Finley, Christian, Schieman Colin, Multimedia based education for thoracic surgery learners, Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $14,938.00

2012 Jul - 2013 Jun Shargall Y, Finley C, Miller J, Schieman C, Farrokhyar F, The effect of perioperative Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drug Naproxen on pleural effusions formation after lung resection, Grant, Ontario Thoracic Society/The Lung Association, Clinical Trial, $49,679.89

2012 Jun - 2013 May Shargall Y, Miller J; Finley C; Schieman C; Farrokhyar F., The effect of perioperative Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drug Naproxen on pleural effusions formation after lung resection, Grant, McMaster Surgical Associates, Clinical Trial, $29,518.75

2011 Aug - 2012 Aug Finley C; and Goffin J, Shargall Y, Miller J, Ellis P, Design and Evaluation of a Synoptic Operative Report for Lung Cancer, Grant, Juravinski Cancer Centre Foundation, Operating, $24,355.54

2011 Jul - 2012 Jun Finley, Christian, Horner Cynthia, Miller John, Shargall Yaron, LHIN4 - Patient education

and support in fast track thoracic surgery initiative in Local Health Integration Network 4 (LHIN4), Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $30,000.00

2011 Apr - 2012 Finley, Christian, MSA 2011 - Development of gastrointestinal stent, Grant, Hamilton Academic Health Sciences Organization (HAHSO), Research - New Project, $24,350.00

**SELECT PUBLICATIONS**

**Book Chapters and Review Articles**

1. Finley C, Keshavjee SH. Optimal approach for resection of encapsulated thymoma: Open vs VATS, Difficult Decisions in Thoracic Surgery An Evidence-Based Approach. Ed. Mark Ferguson. Jan 2011.
2. Lim KS, Zhou J, Finley C, Grace JR, Lim CJ, Brereton CMH. Cluster descending velocity at the wall of circulating fluidized bed risers. Circulating Fluidized Bed Technology V, ed. M. Kwauk and J. Li, SciencePress, Beijing, 2000. 218-223.

**Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

1. Akhtar-Danesh, N., Kathleen Logie, Akhtar-Danseh G, [**Christian Finley**](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs12029-020-00397-w#auth-5)**.** Uptake of Minimally Invasive Surgery for Early Stage Colorectal Cancer and its Effect on Survival: A Population-Based Study. Surgical Oncology, Dec 2020, 35;540-54
2. Akhtar-Danesh, N., Akhtar-Danseh, G., Seow, H. [Saad Shakeel](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs12029-020-00397-w#auth-4) & [**Christian Finley**](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs12029-020-00397-w#auth-5). Treatment Modality and Trends in Survival for Gallbladder Cancer: a Population-Based Study. J Gastrointest Canc (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12029-020-00397-w>
3. Akhtar-Danesh GG,**Finley C**, Seow HY, Shakeel S, Akhtar-Danesh N. [Change in treatment modality and trends in survival among stage I non-small cell lung cancer patients: a population-based study.](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33145040/) J Thorac Dis. 2020 Sep;12(9):4670-4679. doi: 10.21037/jtd-20-1387
4. Shakeel, Tung, Rahal, **Finley C** Evaluation of Factors Associated with Unmet Needs in Adult Cancer Survivors in Canada, JAMA Open, 2020
5. [Horth D](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Dillon%20Horth%22), [Sanh W](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22William%20Sanh%22), [Moisiuk P](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Peter%20Moisiuk%22), [O’Hare T](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Turlough%20O%E2%80%99Hare%22)**,** [Shargall Y](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Yaron%20Shargall%22),[**Finley C**](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Christian%20Finley%22)**,** [Hanna W](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Wa%C3%ABl%20Hanna%22), [Agzarian J](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22John%20Agzarian%22), [Forero M](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Mauricio%20Forero%22), [Davis K](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Kim%20Davis%22), [Vanniyasingam T](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Thuva%20Vanniyasingam%22), [Thabane L](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Lehana%20Thabane%22), [Shanthanna H](https://europepmc.org/search?query=AUTH:%22Harsha%20Shanthanna%22). Continuous Erector Spinae Plane Block versus Intercostal Nerve Block in Patients Undergoing Video-assisted Thoracoscopic Surgery: A Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial. Preprint from Research Square, 19 Aug 2020 DOI: [10.21203/rs.3.rs-62390/v1](https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-62390/v1) PPR: PPR203594
6. Walker BB, Schuurman N, Wen CK, Shakeel S, Schneider L, **Finley C**. Cancer resection rates, socioeconomic deprivation, and geographical access to surgery among urban, suburban, and rural populations across Canada. 2020 Oct. PLoS ONE 15(10): e0240444. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0240444>
7. Misariu AM, Newman J**, Hanna W, Agzarian J, Finley C, Shargall Y**, Swaminath A. 36: Surgery Versus SBRT for Early-Stage Nsclc in Octogenarians and Nonagenarians: An Overall Survival Difference?. Radiotherapy and Oncology. 2020 Sep 1;150:S19.
8. John Butler, **Christian Finley**, Charles H Norell, Samantha Harrison, Heather Bryant, Michael P Achiam, Alon D Altman, Nancy Baxter, James Bentley, Paul A Cohen, M Asif Chaudry, Elijah Dixon, Rhonda Farrell, Scott Fegan, Salila Hashmi, Claus Hogdall, John T Jenkins, Janice Kwon, Tom Mala, Orla McNally, Neil Merrett, Gregg Nelson, Andy Nordin, Jason Park, Geoff Porter, John Reynolds, Colin Schieman, Tine Schnack, Allan Spigelman, Lars Bo Svendsen, Peter Sykes, Robert Thomas. New approaches to cancer care in a COVID-19 world. [Lancet Oncol](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7324090/). 2020 Jul; 21(7): e339–e340. Published online 2020 Jun 29
9. Morgan E, Soerjomataram I, Gavin AT*,* Bardo A, Ferlay , Prithwish De, Jackson C, Kozie S, Little A, Moller B, **Finley CJ**, Bray F, Arnold M. International trends in oesophageal cancer survival by histological subtype between 1995 and 2014. Gut Published Online First: 17 June 2020. doi: 10.1136/gutjnl-2020-321089. Available at: <http://gut.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/gutjnl-2020-321089>
10. Hylton DA, **Shargall Y, Finley C, Agzarian J**, Fahim C, **Hanna WC**. A novel online education module to teach clinicians how to correctly indentify ultrasonographic features of mediastinal lymph nodes during endobronchinal ultrasound. Can J Surg. 2020 Feb 7; 63(1): E62-E68. Doi:10.1503.cjs.000119
11. Negar Ahmadi, Lawrence Mbuagbaw, Waël C. Hanna, **Christian Finley,** John Agzarian**,** Chuck K. Wen, Michal Coret, Colin Schieman, Yaron Shargall. Development of a clinical score to distinguish malignant from benign esophageal disease in an undiagnosed patient population referred to an esophageal diagnostic assessment program. Journal of Thoracic Disease. 12(3):191-198 · March 2020
12. Newman J, Deonarain D, Agzarian J, Finley C, Shargall Y, Malik PR, Patel Y, Hanna WC. [Twitter Activity Is Associated with a Higher Research Citation Index for Academic Thoracic Surgeons.](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/31756321) Ann Thorac Surg. 2019 Nov 19. pii: S0003-4975(19)31704-7. doi: 10.1016/j.athoracsur.2019.09.075
13. Bonert M, Rahman M, Jian C, **Finley C**, Cutz JC, Naqvi A. Pathologist Rate Variation in Diagnostic Category and Cancer Subtype Using Funnel Plots/Control Charts and an in silico Kappa with Assessment of Maximal Gross Core Length in 3,359 Lung Core Biopsy Specimens. In LABORATORY INVESTIGATION 2020 Mar 1 (Vol. 100, No. SUPPL 1, pp. 1845-1845). 75 VARICK ST, 9TH FLR, NEW YORK, NY 10013-1917 USA: NATURE PUBLISHING GROUP.
14. **Finley, Christian,** Anubha Prashad, Natasha Camuso, Corinne Daly and Craig C. Earle. "Lifesaving cancer surgeries need to be managed appropriately during the COVID-19 pandemic." Canadian Journal of Surgery, vol. 63, no. 2, 2020, p. S1. Accessed 22 June 2020.
15. **Christian Finley,** Anubha Prashad, Natasha Camuso, Corinne Daly, Armen Aprikian and Chad G. Balll. "Guidance for management of cancer surgery during the COVID-19 pandemic." Can J Surg. 2020 May 1;63(22):S2-S4. doi: 10.1503/cjs.005620.
16. Coret M, Rok M, Newman J, Deonarain D, Agzarian J, Finley C, Shargall Y, Malik PR, Patel Y, Hanna WC. [Twitter Activity Is Associated with a Higher Research Citation Index for Academic Thoracic Surgeons.](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/31756321) Ann Thorac Surg. 2019 Nov 19. pii: S0003-4975(19)31704-7. doi: 10.1016/j.athoracsur.2019.09.075.
17. Akhtar-Danesh N, Shakeel S,Seow H,Akhtar-Danesh GG, **Finley CJ**. Trends in Survival based on Treatment Modality for Esophageal Cancer: A Population-Based Study. Eur J of Gastroenterol & Hepatol. 2019Oct;31(10):1192-1199. doi: 10.1097/MEG.0000000000001498.
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**SELECT PRESENTATIONS**

1. Webinar: Variation and Opportunities in Breast and Colon Cancer in Canada Dec. 2020
2. Speaker: Surgical Oncology in Nova Scotia, Dec 2020
3. Webinar: Lung Cancer In Canada Nov. 2020
4. Webinar: Reexamination of Morbidity and Mortality Rounds, Oct 2020
5. Podcast: Cancer Assist Show, Oct 2020
6. Podcast: Canadian Journal of surgery, Oct 2020
7. Invited Speaker at Newfoundland Cancer Surgical Program, Feb 2020
8. Invited Speaker at Manitoba Provincial Cancer Meeting, Jan 2020
9. Invited Speaker at Yukon Medical Association, Nov 2019
10. Invited Speaker at BC Cancer Agency Meeting, Nov 2019
11. Speaker at Synoptic National Meeting, Nov 2019
12. Speaker at Alberta Cancer Meeting, Sept 2019
13. Invited Speaker at Canadian Surgical Forum Sept 2019
14. Speaker and Organizer, Thoracic Surgical Meeting in Kelowna BC, Apr 2019
15. Invited Speaker, Canadian Surgical Forum, Sept 2018
16. Speaker Newfoundland Cancer Meeting, June 2018
17. CATS Database Governance and Structure CATS National Database Inaugural Meeting Canadian Association of Thoracic Surgeons. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. May 7, 2018.
18. National Standards and Benchmarking for Cancer Surgery in Canada. Annual National Meeting of the Provincial Cancer Agency heads Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada. May 17, 2018.
19. Universal Standards for Palliative Care in Canada Palliative and End of Life Care Network Annual Meeting. St. John’s, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. Oct 18, 2017.
20. National Standards in Rectal Cancer. Canadian Partnership Against Cancer session Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Sep 17, 2017.
21. Cancer Surgery Closer to Home: A conversation on the Barriers and Opportunities to Delivering Cancer Surgery in the Community Setting. Canadian Surgical Forum Annual Meeting. Canadian Association of Thoracic Surgeons. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Sep 16, 2017.
22. National Standards in Thoracic Surgery. Canadian Surgical Forum CATS Research Meeting Canadian Association of Thoracic Surgeons. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Sep 14, 2017.
23. Neuromuscular Day, Myesthenia Gravis Surgery Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Apr 19, 2017.
24. Complex Surgery Work and Plan for Standards Moving Forward Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Nov 23, 2016.
25. Transforming Surgical Quality Using Data Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Nov 4, 2016.
26. Sustainable cancer care: Strengthening the system for future generations, Cancer Quality Council of Ontario Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Nov 16, 2016.
27. Canadian Association of Thoracic Surgeons Annual Research Update CATS Annual Meeting Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Sep 8, 2016.
28. Electronic Synoptic Surgery Quality Initiative: Improving Quality of Cancer Surgery Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Jul 28, 2016.
29. Variability in Cancer Surgical Care: Opportunities to Make a Good System Great Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Jun 18, 2016.