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Join us in April at the 3rd Annual Digestive Diseases: New Advances

The complexity and magnitude of medical advances in the management of digestive diseases make it ever more challenging for clinicians to apply this tremendous amount of information to their practice. This knowledge-based activity will provide learners with a comprehensive overview of the state-of-the-art advances in the diagnostic, therapeutic, and preventive modalities of digestive diseases based on the latest evidence, literature, and clinical research. A thorough review of the current treatment landscape is vital to both clinicians and patients who can benefit from the expansion of therapeutic options.

We look forward to seeing you in Philadelphia from April 1-2, 2016. Don't miss out: Register today and save $200 with our early bird discount which ends February 15, 2016.

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND
This conference is designed for gastroenterologists, primary care physicians, advanced practice nurses, nurses, pharmacists, and physician assistants involved in the diagnosis, evaluation, management, and treatment of patients with digestive diseases.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be better able to:

- Review the most current perspectives and clinical guidelines for the use of biologic agents in inflammatory bowel disease (IBD)
- Identify various IBD risk factors, including a patient's level of immune suppression, which influence the timing of surgery
- Review the pathophysiology, epidemiology, and clinical presentation of hepatocellular carcinoma
- Assess the need of management strategies of patients with hepatic encephalopathy
- Differentiate irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) from other common gastrointestinal disorders
- Implement diagnostic and management strategies for IBS
- Recognize the clinical presentation of ischemic colitis for early identification and treatment
- Identify barriers to colorectal cancer screening and utilize appropriate strategies to identify and address these barriers
- Analyze and evaluate the most important new developments in upper GI diseases, including Barrett's esophagus, celiac disease and eosinophilic esophagitis
- Evaluate the efficacy and safety of current and emerging therapeutic strategies for the treatment of hepatitis C virus (HCV)
- Describe HCV risk factors and indications for screening and improve markers of patient care
- Examine key clinical issues in liver transplantation including patient selection criteria, risks and benefits, and peri- and postoperative management
- Explain the cause, expected course of disease progression, and therapeutic options, including liver transplantation, to patients with portopulmonary hypertension
- Recognize, prevent, and treat fatty liver disease
- Summarize the medical management of pancreatitis
- Outline the diagnosis and treatment strategies for patients with hepatitis B
- Identify the use, mechanisms of suspected effect, and results of fecal transplantation
- Describe the natural history of cirrhosis and recognize the most appropriate management for patients with cirrhosis as well as its complications.
- Examine when and how to use biliary stents in both benign and malignant diseases involving the bile duct
- Compare the treatment options available for the management of gastroparesis
- Explain the clinical manifestations, treatment, and prognosis of esophageal cancer
- Review the management and best practices of small bowel syndrome
- Recognize the impact of peptic ulcer disease on patients and the need for aggressive management in all patients
- Explain diversity in patients with digestive disorders

For additional information, questions, concerns, or if you require special arrangements to attend this activity, please contact Nick Rillo at 240.221.4404 or n.rillo@globalacademycme.com.
## FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016

### 6:45 AM  
Registration, Continental Breakfast, Visit Exhibits/Posters  

### 7:25 AM  
Welcome and Introductions  
Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos, MD, PhD, MBA, FACP, AGAF, FAASLD  

### UPPER GI SESSION
**Moderator:** Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos, MD, PhD, MBA, FACP, AGAF, FAASLD  

#### 7:45 AM  
Barrett's Esophagus: Are We Making Any Progress?  
Stuart J. Spechler, MD  

#### 8:15 AM  
Neuroendocrine Tumors: Frequent Symptoms From Uncommon Disease  
Jamie S. Barkin, MD, MACP, MACG, AGAF, FASGE  

#### 8:45 AM  
Esophageal Cancer: New Approaches in 2016  
Sushil Ahlawat, MD  

#### 9:15 AM  
Interactive Panel Discussion  

#### 9:30 AM  
Break and Visit Exhibits/Posters  

#### 10:00 AM  
Small Bowel Rehabilitation: An Update  
Kishore R. Iyer, MBBS, FRCS (Eng), FACS  

#### 10:30 AM  
Celiac Disease: Gluten-Free Diet is the New Fashion  
Peter H.R. Green, MD  

#### 11:00 AM  
Eosinophilic Esophagitis: An Update  
Stuart J. Spechler, MD  

#### 11:30 AM  
Peptic Ulcer Disease in 2016  
David C. Metz, MD  

#### 12:00 PM  
Interactive Panel Discussion  

#### 12:15 PM  
Lunch with the Professors and Visit Exhibits/Posters  

### KEYNOTE

#### 1:00 PM  
Diversity in Patients With Digestive Disease Disorders  
Maria L. Soto-Greene, MD, MS-HPEd, FACP  

### COLORECTAL/IBD/IBS SESSION
**Moderator:** Lawrence J. Brandt, MD, MACG, AGAF, FASGE, NYSGEF  

#### 1:30 PM  
Update on the Management of Colon Ischemia  
Lawrence J. Brandt, MD, MACG, AGAF, FASGE, NYSGEF  

#### 2:00 PM  
Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD): Clinical Presentation and Diagnosis  
Mark G. Lazarev, MD  

#### 2:30 PM  
IBD: Difficult-to-Treat Populations  
Mark T. Osterman, MD, MSCE  

#### 3:00 PM  
Interactive Panel Discussion  

#### 3:15 PM  
Break and Visit Exhibits  

#### 3:30 PM  
Colorectal Screening: Are We Doing the Right Thing?  
David S. Weinberg, MD, MSc  

#### 4:00 PM  
Intestinal Microbiota and Microbiota Transplant  
Lawrence J. Brandt, MD, MACG, AGAF, FASGE, NYSGEF  

### SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2016

### HEPATOLOGY SESSION
**Moderator:** Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos, MD, PhD, MBA, FACP, AGAF, FAASLD  

#### 8:00 AM  
Hepatic Encephalopathy: What?  
Jasmohan Bajaj, MD, MS, FAASLD, AGAF, FACG  

#### 8:20 AM  
Fatty Liver Disease...We Are Still There  
Zobair M. Younossi, MD, MPH, FACG, FACP, AGAF  

#### 8:40 AM  
Portopulmonary Hypertension Syndrome  
Michael Demyen, MD  

#### 9:00 AM  
Cirrhosis and Its Complications  
Jasmohan Bajaj, MD, MS, FAASLD, AGAF, FACG  

#### 9:30 AM  
Break and Visit Exhibits  

#### 10:00 AM  
Viral Hepatitis B: An Overview  
Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos, MD, PhD, MBA, FACP, AGAF, FAASLD  

#### 10:30 AM  
Treatment Strategies for Hepatitis C  
Paul Y. Kwo, MD  

#### 11:00 AM  
Hepatitis C: Difficult-to-Treat Populations  
Zobair M. Younossi, MD, MPH, FACG, FACP, AGAF  

#### 11:30 AM  
Liver Transplantation: When to Refer and What to Treat  
Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos, MD, PhD, MBA, FACP, AGAF, FAASLD  

#### 12:00 PM  
Interactive Panel Discussion  

#### 12:30 PM  
Lunch with the Professors  

### PANCREAS/BILIARY/HCC SESSION
**Moderator:** Jamie S. Barkin, MD, MACP, MACG, AGAF, FASGE  

#### 1:30 PM  
Hepatocellular Carcinoma: Is It Increasing?  
Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos, MD, PhD, MBA, FACP, AGAF, FAASLD  

#### 2:00 PM  
Acute Pancreatitis: An Overview  
Jamie S. Barkin, MD, MACP, MACG, AGAF, FASGE  

#### 2:30 PM  
Biliary Stents: Which One and Why?  
Sushil Ahlawat, MD  

#### 3:00 PM  
Interactive Panel Discussion  

#### 3:15 PM  
Clinical Case Conundrums  

#### 4:00 PM  
Conference Ends – See You in 2017  

*Sessions/Faculty are subject to change*
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