

# program

## Saturday, May 17

- 8:15–8:20 a.m. **Welcome from the AGA Institute President**  
Nicholas F. LaRusso, MD, AGAF
- 8:20–8:30 a.m. **Introduction**  
Prateek Sharma, MD

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### Session I – Moving Down the Esophagus

Moderator: Prateek Sharma, MD

**Challenging Case: A 52-year-old patient with reflux symptoms despite high dose PPI therapy.**

- 8:30–8:50 a.m. **Esophageal Physiology and Function Testing 2008**  
Peter J. Kahrilas, MD, AGAF
- 8:50–9:10 a.m. **Beyond PPIs in GERD: What to do Next?**  
John Dent, MD, PhD
- 9:10–9:30 a.m. ***H. pylori*, Gastritis and Gastric Cancer: Bacterial, Host and Environmental Factors**  
M. Brian Fennerty, MD, AGAF
- 9:30–9:50 a.m. **Minimizing GI Risk in NSAID and ASA Users**  
Loren A. Laine, MD
- 9:50–10:10 a.m. **Controversy: Management of Dysplasia in Barrett's Esophagus**  
Richard E. Sampliner, MD, AGAF
- 10:10–10:15 a.m. **Moderator's Summary**
- 10:15–10:35 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

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### Session II – Beyond the Pylorus

Moderator: Helen M. Shields, MD, AGAF

**Challenging Case: A 32-year-old woman with gas, bloating and diarrhea.**

- 10:40–11:00 a.m. **Celiac Sprue: Over or Under Diagnosis?**  
Sheila E. Crowe, MD, AGAF
- 11:00–11:20 a.m. **Irritable Bowel Syndrome: Putting the ROME Criteria into Practice**  
Charlene M. Prather, MD, AGAF
- 11:20–11:40 a.m. **Chronic Diarrhea: What's New?**  
Henry J. Binder, MD, AGAF

- 11:40 a.m.–Noon ***Clostridium Difficile* Colitis: Emergence of New Strains and Novel Therapies**  
Ciáran P. Kelly, MD

- Noon–12:20 p.m. **Controversy: Gut Microflora, GI Diseases and Probiotics**  
Michael Camilleri, MD, AGAF

- 12:20–12:25 p.m. **Moderator's Summary**

- 12:30–1:30 p.m. **Luncheon Breakout Sessions**  
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### Session III – Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Moderator: Maria T. Abreu, MD

**Challenging Case: A 40-year-old man with Crohn's disease and recurrent pelvic abscesses.**

- 1:45–2:05 p.m. **Role of Genes, Cytokines and Environment in IBD**  
Scott E. Plevy, MD
- 2:05–2:25 p.m. **New Diagnostic Techniques for IBD: Serology, Imaging, and Capsule**  
Asher M. Kornbluth, MD, AGAF
- 2:25–2:45 p.m. **Biologics in IBD: First Line Therapy?**  
William J. Sandborn, MD
- 2:45–3:05 p.m. **Surgical Approach to Crohn's Disease**  
Victor W. Fazio, MD
- 3:05–3:25 p.m. **Controversy: Dysplasia in IBD: Screening, Prevention and Treatment**  
David T. Rubin, MD
- 3:25–3:30 p.m. **Moderator's Summary**
- 3:30–4:00 p.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 4:00–5:30 p.m. **Clinical Challenge Sessions**  
(see separate listing for selections)

**Simultaneous Spanish and Japanese Translation Available.**

## Course Information

Attend this two-day course and learn valuable information about the challenges and controversies surrounding major GI and liver disorders. The course takes an innovative approach in its review of everyday diagnostic and treatment challenges. Each general session will address a specific GI or liver topic beginning with a brief, thought-provoking case study. Renowned experts in the field will then discuss diagnostic, pathogenetic and treatment-related issues related to the topic and conclude the session by addressing a relevant controversy. Don't miss this opportunity to gain a better understanding of the issues surrounding CT colonography, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease, IBD, gut microflora and probiotics, hepatocellular carcinoma screening and more.

## Sunday, May 18

### Session IV – Gastrointestinal Cancers: What's New?

Moderator: David A. Lieberman, MD

**Challenging Case: A 38-year-old patient with a family history of colon cancer.**

- 8:30–8:50 a.m. **Colon Cancer Screening and Surveillance**  
Douglas K. Rex, MD
- 8:50–9:10 a.m. **FAP and Other High-Risk Cancer Populations**  
Sapna Syngal, MD, MPH
- 9:10–9:30 a.m. **The Rising Incidence of Esophageal Cancer: Genes or Fat?**  
Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, AGAF
- 9:30–9:50 a.m. **Pancreatic Cancer: Targeting Precancerous Lesions, Their Etiology and Management**  
David C. Whitcomb, MD, PhD
- 9:50–10:10 a.m. **Controversy: CT Colonography—Ready for Screening Patients?**  
Don C. Rockey, MD, AGAF
- 10:10–10:15 a.m. **Moderator's Summary**
- 10:15–10:35 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

### Session V – The Epidemic of Obesity

Moderator: Kenneth R. McQuaid, MD, AGAF

**Challenging Case: A 45-year-old obese patient wants to lose weight.**

- 10:40–11:00 a.m. **Fad Diets and Medicines: Do They Work?**  
Samuel Klein, MD
- 11:00–11:20 a.m. **Endoscopic and Surgical Approaches to Weight Loss**  
Anthony M. Kalloo, MD
- 11:20–11:40 a.m. **Obesity, Weight Loss and Liver Function**  
Andrea Reid, MD
- 11:40 a.m.–Noon **GI Complications of Bariatric Surgery**  
Jacques M. E. Deviere, MD

Noon–12:20 p.m. **Controversy: Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver: Is Any Treatment Worthwhile?**

Nathan M. Bass, MD, PhD

12:20–12:25 p.m. **Moderator's Summary**

12:30–1:30 p.m. **Luncheon Breakout Sessions**  
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### Session VI – Hepatology

Moderator: J. Eileen Hay, MD

**Challenging Case: A 35-year-old patient with chronic Hepatitis B.**

- 1:45–2:05 p.m. **Hepatitis B: Emerging Therapies in 2008**  
Anna S.F. Lok, MD, AGAF
- 2:05–2:25 p.m. **Hepatitis C: Beyond the Standard Responder**  
Norah A. Terrault, MD
- 2:25–2:45 p.m. **Liver Transplant: Timing, Selection and Survival**  
James F. Trotter, MD
- 2:45–3:05 p.m. **Iron Overload Syndromes: Genetic Testing, Heparin and Beyond**  
Bruce R. Bacon, MD
- 3:05–3:25 p.m. **Controversy: Hepatocellular Carcinoma—Is Screening Effective?**  
Hashem B. El Serag, MD, MPH
- 3:25–3:30 p.m. **Moderator's Summary**
- 3:30–4:00 p.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 4:00–5:30 p.m. **Clinical Challenge Sessions**  
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## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the various options available for the management of pancreatic cancer, esophageal motility disorders, portal hypertension and chronic constipation.
- Identify areas of controversy associated with Barrett's esophagus, inflammatory bowel disease, colorectal cancer, hepatocellular carcinoma and fatty liver disease.
- Discuss advances in the evaluation and treatment of hepatitis B, C, celiac sprue and iron overload syndromes.
- Evaluate the approaches to the diagnosis of eosinophilic esophagitis, dyspepsia and chronic diarrhea.
- List the newest modalities of endoscopy and noninvasive imaging of the gastrointestinal tract and liver.
- Employ alternative methods in managing gastroesophageal reflux, irritable bowel syndrome, obesity, and *C. difficile* colitis.
- Understand the endoscopic therapies that are currently available for gastrointestinal malignancies, pancreatic cysts and obesity.

## Luncheon Breakouts: 12:30–1:30 p.m.

Choose from 17 different topics! Select a different session for each day of the course. Sessions are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Lunch without learning option is available. Note: Luncheon Breakouts are offered only in English.

( L1XX-Saturday; L2XX-Sunday )

- L101; L201 Eosinophilic Esophagitis**, David A. Katzka, MD
- L102; L202 ERCP: Difficult Cannulations Made Easy**, Guido Costamagna, MD
- L103; L203 Hemorrhoids, Fissures, and Fecal Incontinence**, Satish S.C. Rao, MD, PhD, AGAF
- L104; L204 Endoscopic Mucosal Resection**, Kenneth K. Wang, MD, AGAF
- L105; L205 Autoimmune Pancreatitis**, Alphonso Brown, MD
- L106; L206 Women's Health**, Jacqueline L. Wolf, MD
- L107; L207 Barrett's Esophagus: Screening, Surveillance and Ablation**, Stuart J. Spechler, MD, AGAF
- L108; L208 Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: What to Tell Your Patients**, Nathan M. Bass, MD, PhD
- L109; L209 Capsule Endoscopy**, Norman E. Marcon, MD
- L110; L210 Functional Dyspepsia: Evidence-Based Management**, William D. Chey, MD, AGAF
- L111; L211 Breakthroughs in Endoscopic Techniques and NOTES**, Anthony N. Kalloo, MD
- L112; L212 Non-Variceal Upper GI Bleeding**, Loren A. Laine, MD
- L113; L213 Extra-Esophageal GERD: Fact or Fiction**, John M. Inadomi, MD, AGAF
- L114; L214 Endoscopic Diagnosis and Management of Chronic Pancreatitis**, Jacques M.E. Deviere, MD
- L115; L215 PBC and PSC**, John M. Vierling, MD
- L116; L216 Clinical Problems Caused by Gastrointestinal Hormones**, Robert T. Jensen, MD
- L117; L217 Drug-Induced Liver Disease**, Laurie DeLeve, MD, PhD
- L118; L218 Lunch only (no breakout session)**
- L119; L219 Not attending a lunch session**

## Clinical Challenge Sessions: 4:00–5:30 p.m.

Choose from ten exciting sessions! Pick a different session for each day of the course. Sessions are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Note: Clinical Challenge sessions are offered only in English.

(C1XX-Saturday; C2XX-Sunday)

- C101; C201 Complex Issues in IBD: Pregnancy, Fistulae, Pouchitis**, Maria T. Abreu, MD and William J. Sandborn, MD
- C102; C202 Acute Necrotizing Pancreatitis**, Horst Neuhaus, MD and Amit Rastogi, MD
- C103; C203 Esophageal Motility Disorders**, Ajay Bansal, MD and Peter J. Kahrilas, MD, AGAF
- C104; C204 Difficult Management Problems in Viral Hepatitis**, Norah A. Terrault, MD and Emmet B. Keeffe, MD, AGAF
- C105; C205 Endoscopic Diagnosis and Staging of GI Malignancies**, Paul Fockens, MD, PhD and Jacques J.H.G.M. Bergman, MD, PhD
- C106; C206 IBS: New Insights into Pathogenesis and Therapies**, William D. Chey, MD, AGAF and Charlene M. Prather, MD, AGAF
- C107; C207 Portal Hypertension: Standards of Practice and New Treatments**, Guadalupe Garcia-Tsao, MD and Vijay H. Shah, MD
- C108; C208 Cystic Lesions of the Pancreas**, R. Paul O'Farrell, MD, FRACP and Michael B. Wallace, MD, MPH
- C109; C209 Chronic Constipation and Colonic Pseudo-Obstruction**, Lin Chang, MD and Satish S.C. Rao, MD, PhD, AGAF
- C110; C210 Evaluation of Liver Masses**, K. Rajender Reddy, MD and Claude B. Sirlin, MD
- C111; C211 Not attending a clinical challenge session.**

The **Luncheon Breakout** and **Clinical Challenge** sessions are ticketed. You must indicate your choice(s) for these sessions using the codes listed above when completing your DDW registration form in order for your registration to be processed. If you are not going to attend a Luncheon Breakout or Clinical Challenge session, be sure to check the box on the registration form indicating that you will not attend.

## Course Highlights

- Novel format that presents challenging cases and controversial issues on a variety of GI and liver topics.
- Clinically focused program with immediately applicable information.
- Flexible, customized learning formats—from large lectures to small group sessions.
- Opportunity to interact with an internationally renowned faculty.
- Earn up to 15 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>™</sup>.
- Take-home syllabus that includes detailed summaries of all sessions, including abstracts, key points, references, slides, graphs, charts and tables. Additional copies are available for purchase.

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