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Pre-registration Deadline
Friday, October 9, 2015

Housing Deadline
Wednesday, September 23, 2015





Dear Colleagues,

It is my great pleasure to invite you to ACG 2015, ACG's Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course, the premier GI clinical event of the year. This year's meeting will be held in Honolulu at the Hawaii Convention Center. While attending ACG 2015, plan some downtime to explore the beautiful island of Oahu, or explore the other islands of Hawaii. The College has negotiated special meeting rates three days before and after the meeting at many of the hotels. You can learn more about Hawaii beginning on page 25.

ACG 2015 is all about learning and the program is designed with the busy GI clinician in mind. Developed by clinical gastroenterologists for gastroenterologists and their non-physician colleagues, ACG 2015 will meet your needs and cover the topics most important to you. You can customize your schedule to attend one day for one or more of the special Friday courses, two days for the Annual Postgraduate Course, three days for the Annual Scientific Meeting, or a combination of the three. Unlike other unwieldy meetings, at ACG 2015, you won't find dozens of sessions taking place at the same time, so you don't have to miss any topics of interest to you.

At ACG 2015 you will find:

- Numerous educational sessions that will provide ways to enhance patient care and improve efficiency in your practice
- Cutting-edge research presented by colleagues from the U.S. and abroad
- Networking events to connect with old colleagues and make new contacts
- An exhibit hall showcasing the latest advances in technology and therapeutics

New for ACG 2015—Everyone registered for the Annual Postgraduate Course will receive PG+MOC, a 10-point MOC module. For the Recertification Preparation and Update Course, a 10-point MOC module is included when you register. The College offers a number of MOC resources as well as the popular Self-Assessment Test, each designed to enhance your knowledge. Learn about the various offerings beginning on page 24.

The ACG Annual Scientific Meeting is the ONLY major GI meeting that is still offered as a member benefit at NO EXTRA CHARGE. ACG members also receive discounted registration rates for the Postgraduate Course and Friday courses. One reason the College can continue to offer this as a member benefit is the participation of exhibitors at the meeting. Exhibitor participation in the Exhibit Hall, as well as Exhibitor sponsorship and promotion, helps to offset costs for the meeting, and without their support, the meeting in its current form would not be possible. I encourage every attendee to visit the Exhibit Hall while at ACG 2015, take advantage of all that you can see and learn, and express your appreciation to exhibitors for their participation at the meeting.

The Opening Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall will be held on Sunday, October 18th, immediately following the Postgraduate Course. This venue provides an opportunity for PG Course registrants to mix and mingle with colleagues while browsing the Hall and viewing the posters being presented.

Have an iPad or Android tablet? Bring it with you to ACG 2015 to view speaker slides using the popular eventScribe app. Attendees will be able to download the slides being presented by the speaker and follow along, take notes, and highlight important information. Look for the eventScribe symbol in this program for information on which courses will offer the app.

I hope you will join me in Honolulu, October 16th through the 21st. Take a couple of days away from the office to be re-energized about your profession and reconnect with colleagues. Registration and housing for ACG 2015 are now open. You can find more information beginning on page 34.

Sincerely,



Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG
ACG President

P.S. Follow ACG 2015 via Twitter #acg2015 or check out the ACG Blog, www.acgblog.org. Members can join discussions online at the GI Circle, ACG Hepatitis Circle, and the ACG & CCFA IBD Circle.



Schedule at a Glance

Friday, October 16

OPTIONAL COURSES

5:30 am–4:30 pm	Registration
6:00 am–7:00 am	Continental Breakfast
6:30 am–11:30 am	GI Pathophysiology Course
7:00 am–3:30 pm	Practice Management Course
7:30 am–3:30 pm	ASGE Postgraduate Course
12:15 pm–3:30 pm	What's New in GI Pharmacology Course
2:00 pm–4:30 pm	ACG Store
4:00 pm–6:30 pm	Navigating, Networking and Negotiating Your First Job Workshop*
4:00 pm–6:30 pm	Recertification Preparation and Update Course

Saturday, October 17

POSTGRADUATE COURSE

5:00 am–3:45 pm	Registration
6:00 am–6:30 am	Continental Breakfast
6:00 am–3:45 pm	ACG Store
6:20 am–3:30 pm	Postgraduate Course
8:00 am–10:00 am	Auxiliary Registration/Hospitality Suite (times are subject to change)
11:55 am–1:10 pm	Optional Learning Luncheons*
11:55 am–1:10 pm	Career Opportunities for Women in GI Luncheon*
1:20 pm–1:50 pm	David Sun Lecture
3:45 pm–4:45 pm	GI Jeopardy

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deadline:
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Sunday, October 18

POSTGRADUATE COURSE

5:00 am–5:00 pm	Registration
6:00 am–6:20 am	Continental Breakfast
6:00 am–3:00 pm	ACG Store
6:20 am–3:00 pm	Postgraduate Course
8:00 am–10:00 am	Auxiliary Registration/Hospitality Suite (times are subject to change)
12:20 pm–1:35 pm	Optional Learning Luncheons*
12:20 pm–1:35 pm	Trainees Luncheon*
2:00 pm–5:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Opens
2:00 pm–5:00 pm	Hands-on Workshop Center
2:00 pm–5:00 pm	Job Forum
2:00 pm–5:00 pm	Poster Sessions
3:15 pm–4:00 pm	International Attendee Reception
3:15 pm–4:00 pm	NP/PA Attendee Reception
3:15 pm–4:00 pm	Women & Minorities in GI Reception
3:15 pm–5:00 pm	Opening Welcome Reception
5:00 pm–6:00 pm	Alumni Receptions

Monday, October 19

ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

5:15 am–4:15 pm	Registration
6:00 am–7:00 am	Optional Breakfast Sessions*
6:30 am–4:15 pm	ACG Store
7:00 am–4:10 pm	Annual Scientific Meeting
8:00 am–10:00 am	Auxiliary Registration/Hospitality Suite (times are subject to change)
8:10 am–8:40 am	Presidential Address
9:30 am–4:00 pm	Exhibit Hall
9:30 am–4:00 pm	Job Forum
9:45 am–10:25 am	Exhibitor Theater
9:45 am–4:00 pm	Hands-on Workshop Center
10:00 am–3:30 pm	Poster Sessions
11:40 am–12:40 pm	Lunch Break
1:25 pm–2:10 pm	<i>The American Journal of Gastroenterology</i> Lecture
4:10 pm–4:30 pm	ACG Business Meeting

* Pre-registration required

Tuesday, October 20 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

5:15 am–4:00 pm	Registration
6:00 am–7:00 am	Optional Breakfast Sessions*
6:30 am–4:00 pm	ACG Store
7:00 am–4:00 pm	Annual Scientific Meeting
8:00 am–10:00 am	Auxiliary Registration/Hospitality Suite <i>(times are subject to change)</i>
8:30 am–9:00 am	J. Edward Berk Distinguished Lecture
9:00 am–4:00 pm	Exhibit Hall
9:00 am–4:00 pm	Job Forum
9:05 am–4:00 pm	Hands-on Workshop Center
10:00 am–3:30 pm	Poster Sessions
11:00 am–12:00 noon	Lunch Break
2:15 pm–2:45 pm	Emily Couric Memorial Lecture

Wednesday, October 21 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

5:30 am–10:45 am	Registration
6:00 am–7:00 am	Optional Breakfast Sessions*
6:30 am–10:45 am	ACG Store
7:00 am–10:45 am	Annual Scientific Meeting
8:45 am–9:15 am	David Y. Graham Lecture

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Friday Courses

Optional Friday courses include GI Pathophysiology, What's New in GI Pharmacology, the Practice Management Course, and the Recertification Preparation and Update Course. ASGE will also offer a one-day endoscopy course.

The Annual Postgraduate Course

At the Postgraduate Course, held on Saturday and Sunday, you will find a comprehensive program delivered by well-known experts discussing the latest clinical updates on a variety of disease states. Sessions will focus on esophagus, colon, endoscopy, chronic disorders, luminal GI disease, liver disease, pancreaticobiliary disease, IBD, GI infections, personalized medicine, functional GI disorders, and GI emergencies. Optional Learning Luncheons are offered on both days of the Postgraduate Course.

Three-day Clinical Review

The Three-day Clinical Review is ideal for the young specialist or seasoned professional. It includes both the GI Pathophysiology Course and the What's New in GI Pharmacology Course, which are held on Friday, plus the Annual Postgraduate Course, held on Saturday and Sunday.

Annual Scientific Meeting

ACG's Educational Affairs Committee has developed a comprehensive program that highlights the latest clinical information in GI and what's on the horizon that may impact your practice. ACG members may attend the Annual Scientific Meeting for free. In addition to the general session, ACG will offer optional Breakfast Sessions on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday that highlight single topic issues.

Recertification Preparation and Update Course

Keep current with your Maintenance of Certification (MOC) requirements. Participate in the Recertification Preparation and Update Course. The course will feature a new, 10-point, ACG module approved for self-evaluation of medical knowledge points towards ABIM's MOC. Learn more about the Recertification Preparation and Update Course on page 10.

Hands-on Workshop Center

See experts demonstrate the latest tools and techniques at the ACG Hands-on Workshop Center. Located in the Exhibit Hall, attendees will see a variety of equipment and devices demonstrated. The Hands-on Workshop sessions will take place Sunday through Tuesday in the Exhibit Hall. Learn more on page 17.

GI Pathophysiology Course

6:30 am – 11:30 am

COURSE DIRECTOR:

Michael F. Vaezi, MD, PhD, FACG

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Gain a better understanding of gastrointestinal disease processes and their impact on clinical presentation of patients when you attend ACG's GI Pathophysiology Course. Experts will review the underlying causes and clinical implication of commonly encountered diseases seen in practice. The outline includes discussion of pathophysiology of eosinophilic esophagitis, gastric and intestinal motility, *H. pylori*, gut microbiota, IBD, celiac disease, and endocrine neoplasms of the pancreas. Lecture presentations will be followed by interactive question and answer sessions. The discussions will be clinically based and will offer points on how to better help patients with difficult-to-manage disease processes. The course faculty are recognized experts in their fields and pioneers in better understanding of the disease processes in gastroenterology. The course is designed primarily for clinicians in GI/hepatology, as well as physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and other advanced practice healthcare professionals interested in the clinical application of GI pathophysiology.

Accreditation

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“This is an excellent course.
I learned a great deal. Very
helpful to my continued
professional development.”

ACG 2014 Attendee

Pathophysiology Course Agenda

- 6:30 am **Welcome and Introduction**
Michael F. Vaezi, MD, PhD, FACG
- 6:35 am **Eosinophilic Esophagitis: Pathophysiology Directing Treatment**
Ikuo Hirano, MD, FACG
Outline the etiology for eosinophilic esophagitis and discuss state of the art literature on diagnosis and treatment of this condition.
- 7:15 am **Gastric and Intestinal Motility: From Normal to Dysfunction**
Satish S. C. Rao, MD, PhD, FACG
Review the physiology of gastric and intestinal motility and outline clinical conditions in which motility dysfunction leads to disease.
- 7:55 am ***Helicobacter pylori* Involvement in Peptic Ulcer Disease, Gastric Cancer, Dyspepsia and Reflux: What the Clinician Should Know**
Douglas R. Morgan, MD, MPH, FACG
Discuss the role of commonly encountered *H. pylori* in gastric pathology including peptic ulcer disease, cancer and dyspepsia and review its role in GERD.
- 8:35 am **Dysbiosis, Obesity and NAFLD: What Every Gastroenterologist Needs to Know**
Zobair M. Younossi, MD, FACG
Gut microbiota are involved in sustaining health and their imbalance may result in various GI disorders. Better understanding is needed for the role of enteric microbiota in obesity and liver disease such as NAFLD.
- 9:15 am **Break**
- 9:30 am **Mucosal Healing in the Era of Biologic Agents for Treating IBD**
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Discuss recent developments in IBD including the role of mucosal healing in the era of biologic agents.
- 10:10 am **Celiac Disease: From Etiology to Therapy**
Joseph A. Murray, MD, FACG
Assess the mechanisms and discuss the exciting new diagnostic options and treatment strategies for patients with celiac disease.
- 10:50 am **Endocrine Neoplasms of the Pancreas: When to Suspect? How to Diagnose?**
Jamie S. Barkin, MD, MACG
Formulate up to date information on endocrine neoplasms of the pancreas with emphasis on patient presentation and optimal diagnostic testing strategies.
- 11:30 am **Course Adjourns**

What's New in GI Pharmacology Course

12:15 pm – 3:30 pm

COURSE DIRECTOR:

Francis A. Farraye, MD, MSc, FACP

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Attend ACG's What's New in GI Pharmacology Course for an intensive review of key GI pharmacology, including comparisons and contrasts between conventional and emerging pharmacological treatment options.

This three-hour course will consist of

lectures and Q & A sessions on such topics as drug monitoring and combination therapy for IBD, treatment options for functional GI disorders, review of new anticoagulants, a GI's guide to vaccinations, pharmacological therapy during pregnancy, medico-legal issues in pharmacology, and treatment options for portal hypertension and ascites. The course is designed primarily for physicians in GI/hepatology, as well as physician assistants, nurse practitioners and other advanced practice healthcare professionals interested in the latest information on state-of-the-art treatment of these illnesses.

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GI Pharmacology Course Agenda

Welcome

Francis A. Farraye, MD, MSc, FACP

12:15 pm Optimizing Pharmacologic Management of IBD

Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACP

Review drug monitoring and combination therapy to maximize response to pharmacologic therapy.

12:35 pm Treatment of Functional GI Disorders with Psychotropic Agents

William D. Chey, MD, FACP

Assess current pharmacologic treatment options for functional GI disorders.

12:55 pm Understanding the New Anticoagulant Medications

David A. Greenwald, MD, FACP

Review the use and management of new anticoagulation medications in your patients undergoing endoscopy or having GI bleeding.

1:15 pm Q&A

1:30 pm Break

1:50 pm A Gastroenterologist's Guide to Vaccinating Your Patient on Steroids, Immunomodulators or Biologic Agents

Francis A. Farraye, MD, MSc, FACP

Review appropriate vaccinations and their safety for patients on steroids, immunomodulators or biologic agents.

2:10 pm Medication Use in Pregnancy

Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACP

Determine available pharmacological therapies that are safe for treatment of GI disorders in the pregnant patient.

2:30 pm Medical Legal Issues in Pharmacology

Scott M. Tenner, MD, JD, FACP

Review your responsibilities for appropriate drug monitoring and informed consent for your patients' pharmacologic agents.

2:50 pm Pharmacologic Management of Portal Hypertension and Ascites

Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACP

Review latest treatment options for portal hypertension and ascites.

3:10 pm Q&A

3:30 pm Adjourn

Optional Friday Courses

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT COURSE

Riding the Wild Surf of the Ever-Changing Medical Environment: Can You Maximize Value in Your Practice? How Can You Use Negotiation Techniques to Avoid the Dreaded Wipeout?

7:00 am – 3:30 pm

COURSE CO-DIRECTORS:

Joseph A. Cappa, MD, FACG

William R. Stern, MD, FACG

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Join experts as they break down and critique the present state of GI. Gain strategies to increase value in your practice by improving quality and decreasing cost. Do what the experts do when negotiating with hospitals, insurance companies and your partners. Consider new marketing and social media strategies to improve patient satisfaction. The bottom line: Improve your bottom line while advancing the quality of your patient care.

Riding the Wild Surf of the Ever-Changing Medical Environment: Can You Maximize Value in Your Practice? How Can You Use Negotiation Techniques to Avoid the Dreaded Wipeout? is designed to provide practitioners with both a broad-based understanding of the current GI practice landscape and focused recommendations on how to improve the clinical and business aspect of their practices.

The 2015 Practice Management Course will provide up-to-date information about the state of practice management, including trends, changes in regulations and laws, and best practices to effectively manage a gastroenterology practice in today's uncertain environment.

A boxed lunch will be provided to all registered attendees.

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The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.5 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Practice Management Course Agenda

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| 7:00 am | Welcome and Introduction
<i>Joseph A. Cappa, MD, FACG</i>
<i>William R. Stern, MD, FACG</i> |
| 7:05 am | Presidential Address: Hospitals, Academics and the Community GI: How Will They Interact in the Future to Create a Win-Win Environment?
<i>Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG, ACG President</i>
Recognize the current environment for gastroenterologists and the value of predicting how all will interact for the greater good of the patients. |
| SESSION 1 – Value = Quality / Cost | |
| 7:35 am | Controlling Costs in Your Practice: Utilizing Your Employees to Maximize Efficiency and Quality Medicine
<i>James A. Turner, Jr. MBA, MHS</i>
Differentiate the cost of items in the practice in comparison to national benchmarks, with a focus on the largest component – your employees. |
| 8:05 am | How to Implement a Quality Improvement Plan for Your Practice that Provides True Value for Your Patients
<i>Michael S. Morelli, MD, CPE, FACG</i>
Identify how to implement a quality improvement program that demonstrates true value for your patients. |
| 8:35 am | Quality in the GI Practice: What Are You Doing Now and What Can You Do to Increase Value – Quality Indicators and Programs
<i>Mark B. Pochapin, MD, FACG</i>
Recognize the work and cost needed to implement a quality improvement program and how the results can be used to benefit your patients and practice. |
| 9:05 am | Quality in Your Clinical Practice: Subspecialty Medical Homes as a New Healthcare Model
<i>Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG</i>
Evaluate opportunities in the clinical practice through population management of chronic conditions in an analytical manner that will maximize cost efficiency and improve patient care. General concepts of chronic GI conditions will be explored with a concentration on IBD. |
| 9:35 am | Q & A |
| 9:50 am | Break |

SESSION 2 – Negotiations and Leadership

- 10:05 am **The Basic Techniques of Negotiation: How to Get Others to Say “Yes”**
Harry E. Sarles, Jr., MD, FACC
Identify the general techniques of negotiation and determine which techniques will prove useful for each situation encountered: from hospitals to insurance companies to your own partners.
- 10:35 am **Negotiating With Hospitals: Improving Relations While Avoiding Hostile Takeovers – Thinking About Joint Ventures**
Jeffrey L. Nestler, MD, FACC
Assess the physician/hospital relationship, and identify whether joint ventures are appropriate alternatives.
- 11:05 am **Negotiating With Insurance Companies: Making Your Quality Program Pay Off**
Arnold G. Levy, MD
Define the priorities of payers and determine which quality programs payers would be interested in exploring in order to improve patient care as well as improve payer contracts.
- 11:35 am **Negotiating Within Your Practice: How to Find Solutions When Dealing With Differing Opinions of Strong-willed People**
Joseph J. Vicari, MD, MBA
Identify the different personalities within the practice and formulate strategies to enable all the partners to work together towards a common goal. Recognize how to run an efficient business meeting and not become derailed by opposing opinions.
- 12:05 pm **Q & A**
- 12:20 pm **Lunch**



SESSION 3 – Marketing

- 1:00 pm **Promoting Your GI Practice Through Innovative Marketing Techniques**
Reed B. Hogan, III, MD
Recognize the value of direct and specific consumer marketing and how it can translate into a return on investment (ROI) of money spent. Identify practical marketing initiatives that focus on direct marketing to patients and referring physicians that emphasize the quality and the value of the practice.
- 1:30 pm **Using Your Online Brand to Grow Your Practice**
Ken J. Brown, MD
Analyze the steps required to implement social media into your website and how to use it to grow your practice and manage your professional reputation.
- 2:00 pm **Voice of the Patient: Patient Portal**
James S. Leavitt, MD, FACC
Create an effective patient portal and establish office procedures for its implementation and use. Understand the practical ways the portal can be used to maximize patient value.
- 2:30 pm **Patient Satisfaction**
Louis J. Wilson, MD, FACC
Identify techniques and mechanisms to assess patient satisfaction and implement the feedback to improve patient care.
- 3:00 pm **Q & A**
- 3:15 pm **Wrap Up and Take Home Points**
Joseph A. Cappa, MD, FACC
William R. Stern, MD, FACC
- 3:30 pm **Adjourn**

Recertification Preparation and Update Course

4:00 pm – 6:30 pm

COURSE FACULTY:

Neena S. Abraham, MD, MSCE, FACG

Brooks D. Cash, MD, FACG

Brennan M. R. Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG

The challenges of quality patient care and optimal patient outcomes seem to increase exponentially from year to year through a combination of increased demand and burgeoning information/treatment options relating to disease guidelines, disease management recommendations, and the introduction of new pharmacotherapeutic agents and devices. The clinical gastroenterologist needs to build on his or her educational foundation regarding GI anatomy and disease states that lead to their board certification and recertification while distilling the essence of new information and integrating it into their day-to-day practice. The requirement for recertification has posed an educational challenge for board-certified gastroenterologists who are trying to balance the management of their practice with their educational needs. The primary purpose of the ACG Recertification Course is to facilitate completion of an ABIM-approved medical knowledge module, developed by ACG.

Using a new ACG module approved for self-evaluation of medical knowledge credit toward ABIM Maintenance of Certification (MOC), faculty will answer and discuss all of the questions covering key areas of gastroenterology; audience participation is encouraged. The cases and questions will be presented and the answer options will be described. Course attendees will utilize an audience response system to choose which option they believe to be the correct answer, and these anonymous responses will be shown. The faculty member will then identify the correct answer, provide the basis for the selection and explain why the other options were incorrect. Participants will be able to complete their answer sheets for this module during the session.

Attendee Requirements

Registrants will receive with their course fees access to ACG's *Self-Assessment Program for Maintenance of Certification*, the new edition of which is expected to be approved by September 2015. Participants will receive instructions no later than October 1 on how to access the module for MOC credits. Attendees enrolled in the ABIM's MOC program

who successfully complete this 30-question ACG module with a minimum passing score of 70% will be awarded 10 self-evaluation of medical knowledge points by ABIM. Participants must be enrolled in ABIM's Maintenance of Certification program to receive MOC credit for completion of this module.

Attendees will be provided a copy of the module questions for note-taking purposes. All additional educational materials for the program are provided through the online module: detailed written explanations, linked references, and videos of expert discussions and slides from the course.

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Self-Evaluation Module: ACG's Self-Assessment Program for Maintenance of Certification

Now included in your registration fee!
Available October 2015.

Available in conjunction with the
**2015 ACG Recertification Preparation
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Earn 10 self-evaluation of
medical knowledge points toward your
ABIM Maintenance of Certification.

Participants must be enrolled in ABIM's Maintenance of
Certification program to receive MOC credit for
completion of this module.

For a list of all of the ACG modules
approved for MOC credit,
visit www.sapmoc.gi.org.

ASGE POSTGRADUATE COURSE

GI Emergencies, It's Midnight. Do You Know What To Do?

7:30 am – 3:30 pm

COURSE CO-DIRECTORS:

Neena S. Abraham, MD, MSCE, FACG, FASGE

John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG, FASGE

This exciting course addresses management of emergency situations in gastroenterology and endoscopy, covering the full range of emergency situations that a gastroenterologist may encounter in clinical practice. It will incorporate a thorough review of traditional, acute endoscopic emergencies including upper and lower GI bleeding, foreign body management and acute cholangitis. Additional topics include managing the patient with acute abdominal pain; non-endoscopic GI emergencies such as how to manage the patient with acute hepatic failure; and acute colitis/inflammatory bowel disease management. Emergencies in special patient populations are featured with talks on the pregnant patient, the post bariatric surgery patient and the patient on antithrombotics. This course will feature state-of-the-art lectures and dynamic panel discussion with world-renowned endoscopists.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this educational activity, physicians will be able to:

- Direct the pre-endoscopic management of patients with GI emergencies including optimal management of antithrombotics
- Apply the latest endoscopic methods and techniques to treat patients with GI emergencies including GI bleeding, foreign bodies and acute cholangitis
- Identify special populations with GI emergencies such as pregnant patients and be able to manage using best evidence
- Manage non-endoscopic GI emergencies including flares of inflammatory bowel disease and acute hepatic failure

Accreditation

The American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

ASGE designates this live activity for a maximum of 6.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

For more information about this course, contact ASGE

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If you need any auxiliary aids or services identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act (e.g., assistive listening devices or Braille materials), please contact ASGE.

ASGE Postgraduate Course Agenda

6:30 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
7:30 am	Welcome and Introductions
SESSION 1	Common Things Are Common
7:35 am	Acute Abdominal Pain: How to Manage and the Role of the Gastroenterologist
7:55 am	Foreign Bodies: When and How to Remove
8:15 am	Non-variceal Bleeding: Initial Management Strategy
8:35 am	Variceal Bleeding: Medical, Radiological and Endoscopic Treatments
8:55 am	Lower GI Bleeding: How to Optimize Patient Outcomes
9:15 am	Panel Discussion
9:35 am	Refreshment Break
SESSION 2	Special Patients and Emergencies
9:50 am	The Patient on Antithrombotics: New Strategies for the Urgent Setting
10:10 am	The Pregnant Patient: What Could Go Wrong?
10:30 am	The Post Bariatric Surgery Patient: Now What?
10:50am	Perforation: Iatrogenic Complication Closure Options and Management
11:10am	Panel Discussion
11:30 am	Lunch
SESSION 3	Lower GI Emergencies
12:00 noon	Ileus, Volvulus, Colonic Obstruction and Pseudo-Obstruction
12:20 pm	Post Polypectomy Bleeding: Prevention and Treatment Options
12:40 pm	Acute Colitis/IBD Management: What Should You Do First?
1:00 pm	Acute Diverticulitis: New Concepts in Management
1:20 pm	Panel Discussion
1:40 pm	Refreshment Break
SESSION 4	Pancreaticobiliary and Hepatic Emergencies
2:00 pm	Acute Cholangitis: Should I Stay (in Bed) or Should I Go?
2:20 pm	Acute Pancreatitis: New Paradigms for Improved Outcomes
2:40 pm	Acute Hepatic Failure: What Should You Do Now?
3:00 pm	Panel Discussion
3:30 pm	Course Adjourns

Postgraduate Course

Three-day Clinical Review

Friday, October 16 through
Sunday, October 18, 2015

The Three-day Clinical Review, including the GI Pathophysiology Course, the What's New in GI Pharmacology Course, and the Annual Postgraduate Course, is designed to provide a comprehensive clinical update. Additionally, through the Postgraduate Course, you will learn better ways to integrate the newest tools in diagnosis with the latest therapeutic/treatment alternatives to achieve optimal outcomes, improve your awareness and ability to incorporate patient care decision-making issues relating to common and not-so-common GI patient conditions, and enhance your overall capacity to frame effective disease management strategies in your practice. When you sign up for the Three-day Clinical Review, you will automatically be enrolled in the three designated courses.

Your schedule for the Three-day Clinical Review includes:

Friday, October 16

6:30 am – 11:30 am **GI Pathophysiology Course**
12:15 pm – 3:30 pm **What's New in GI Pharmacology Course**

Saturday, October 17

6:20 am – 3:30 pm **Annual Postgraduate Course**

Sunday, October 18

6:20 am – 3:00 pm **Annual Postgraduate Course**

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ACG 2015 POSTGRADUATE COURSE Personalized Management of GI Disease

October 17 and 18, 2015

COURSE CO-DIRECTORS:

Felice Schnoll-Sussman, MD, FACP

David A. Schwartz, MD, FACP

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With the need to remain abreast of the many new and emerging advancements in the field of gastroenterology and the volume of patients continuing to increase as the population ages, the clinical gastroenterologist is more challenged than ever to deliver the

best patient care in each situation they encounter. Research in a multitude of gastroenterology and hepatology areas progresses at a rapid pace. Advances in technology, diagnostic modalities, and therapeutic options have had a positive impact on the management of many GI diseases. Scientific education, based on critical foundational knowledge and clinical skills, the communication of practical methods for treatment, and the ability to integrate the newest tools in diagnosis with the latest therapeutic/treatment options, are key necessities for the GI clinician to deliver top-quality patient care. This course will provide updates on a variety of gastroenterology and hepatology subjects including esophagus, colon, endoscopy, chronic disorders, luminal GI disease, liver disease, pancreaticobiliary disease, IBD, GI infections, personalized medicine, functional GI disorders, and GI emergencies. Expert faculty will deliver scientific presentations in a variety of formats. Didactic lectures, followed by interactive question and answer sessions, small group learning luncheons, and a choice of simultaneous sessions on the latest topics in GI and liver clinical care will be offered.

The program is designed primarily for clinicians in GI/hepatology, as well as physician assistants, nurse practitioners and other advanced practice healthcare professionals interested in a scientifically sound approach to the management of GI and liver illnesses.

Accreditation

The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The American College of Gastroenterology designates this live activity for a maximum of 13 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Saturday, October 17 6:20 am – 3:30 pm

6:20 am **Introduction by Course Directors**
Felice Schnoll-Sussman, MD, FACG
David A. Schwartz, MD, FACG

SESSION 1A – Starting at the Top: Esophagus

Moderator: *Philip O. Katz, MD, FACG*

- 6:30 am **Approach to Patients With Continued Symptoms on a PPI**
Philip O. Katz, MD, FACG
 Develop testing strategies for patients with refractory GERD symptoms.
- 6:50 am **What Are the Treatment Endpoints for Eosinophilic Esophagitis?**
Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, FACG
 Discuss short and long term management of EoE.
- 7:10 am **What a Pain in the Chest! Treatment of Esophageal (Noncardiac) Chest Pain**
Michael F. Vaezi, MD, PhD, FACG
 Define medical management of NCCP.
- 7:30 am **Advanced Endoscopic Techniques in Evaluation of the Esophagus: Where Do They Fit?**
Vani J.A. Konda, MD
 Examine the potential clinical applications of new endoscopic technology in esophageal disease.
- 7:50 am **Panel Q & A**
- 8:10 am **Break**

SESSION 1B – Colon

Moderator: *Lauren B. Gerson, MD, MSc, FACG*

- 8:30 am **Beyond the Colonoscope: Are Colon Capsule, CT Colonography or Stool DNA Ready for Prime Time?**
Lauren B. Gerson, MD, MSc, FACG
 Evaluate the clinical application of colon capsule, Stool DNA and CT colonography.
- 8:50 am **What Is the Best Prep and How Do I Assess the Adequacy of the Prep?**
David A. Greenwald, MD, FACG
 Compare options for colonoscopy preparations and assess their adequacy.
- 9:10 am **New Colonoscopy Techniques to Improve ADR: To Roll, Cap or Retroflex, That Is the Question**
Douglas K. Rex, MD, MACG
 Identify strategies to optimize polyp detection during colonoscopy.
- 9:30 am **Post-Polypectomy Surveillance: What We Are Doing and What We Really SHOULD Be Doing**
Philip S. Schoenfeld, MD, MSc, MEd, FACG
 Determine optimal post-polypectomy surveillance strategies.
- 9:50 am **Panel Q & A**
- 10:10 am **Break**

SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA SESSIONS

10:30 am – 11:45 am

SYMPOSIUM A – Issues in Endoscopy

Moderator: *Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG*

- 10:30 am **Safety and Quality in ERCP**
Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG
 Identify strategies for safe performance of ERCP.
- 10:50 am **Dysplastic Barrett's Esophagus: Cut, Burn, Freeze or Watch Very Closely?**
Felice Schnoll-Sussman, MD, FACG
 Evaluate endoscopic strategies for management of dysplastic Barrett's esophagus.
- 11:10 am **The Cardiogastroenterologist: Managing Antiplatelet and Antithrombotic**
Neena S. Abraham, MD, MSCE, FACG
 Formulate the best system for managing anticoagulants in patients needing GI procedures.
- 11:30 am **Panel Q & A**

SYMPOSIUM B – It Never Seems to End: The 'Work-Up' of the Chronicities

Moderator: *Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG*

- 10:30 am **Chronic Abdominal Pain**
Lawrence R. Schiller, MD, FACG
 Evaluate the work up of chronic abdominal pain.
- 10:50 am **Chronic Diarrhea**
Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG
 Develop an approach to the management of chronic diarrhea.
- 11:10 am **Chronic Constipation, IBS-C or Dyssynergia?**
Satish S. C. Rao, MD, PhD, FACG
 Different treatment options for patients with different causes of chronic constipation.
- 11:30 am **Panel Q & A**

SYMPOSIUM C – Luminal GI Disease

Moderator: *Darrell S. Pardi, MD, FACG*

- 10:30 am **Celiac Disease and Gluten Sensitivity: Is Wheat Our Enemy?**
Peter H. R. Green, MD, FACG
 Specify the clinical features and diagnostic approach to the patient with suspected celiac disease or gluten sensitivity.
- 10:50 am **Microscopic Colitis: Diagnosis and Treatment**
Darrell S. Pardi, MD, FACG
 Review the diagnostic work-up and subsequent treatment of microscopic colitis.
- 11:10 am **Management of Short Bowel Syndrome: Beyond TPN**
Carol E. Semrad, MD, FACG
 Identify management options in the treatment of short bowel syndrome.
- 11:30 am **Panel Q & A**
- 11:45 am **Break for Learning Lunches**
A total of 12 to be offered. See page 14.

Saturday Learning Luncheons

11:55 am – 1:10 pm

\$75 per person/per lunch. See page 36 for registration information.

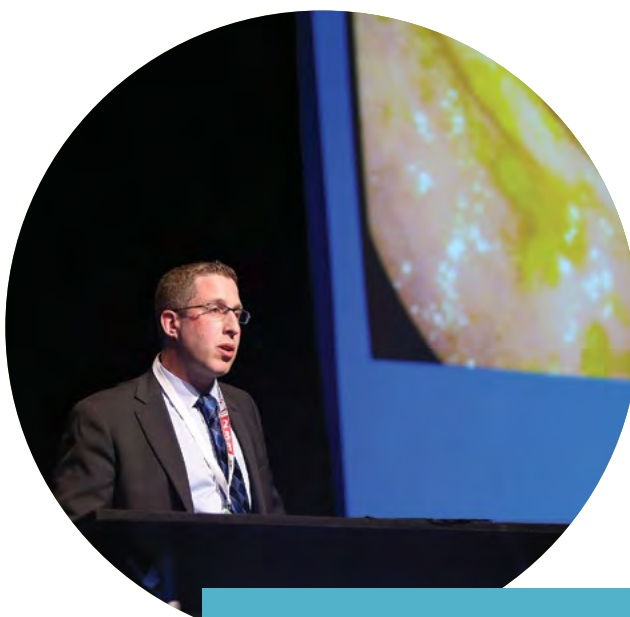
- Problems Down Below: ‘Roids, Fissures, Tags and Dysfunction**
Amy E. Foxx-Orenstein, DO, FACG
Evaluate treatment options for anorectal pathology.
- Refractory IBD Patient (i.e., What to Do When Standard Therapies Fail)**
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Devise a practical approach for clinicians treating IBD patients whose disease is refractory to biological medications.
- Current Indications and Use for EUS in 2015**
Massimo Raimondo, MD, FACG
Evaluate the utility of EUS in the management of GI disease.
- Diverticular Disease: Another Chronic Colitis?**
Brennan M. R. Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACG
Review treatment management decisions in diverticular disease.
- Ugghh!!! Liver Disease in Pregnancy**
Tram T. Tran, MD, FACG
Discuss the work-up and management of liver disease in the pregnant patient.
- Quality Initiatives and How to Incorporate Them Into Your Practice**
David A. Johnson, MD, MACG
Establish the role of quality initiatives in the modern GI practice.
- Esophageal Function Testing: Effective Use in Practice**
Philip O. Katz, MD, FACG
Discuss the effective use of esophageal function testing in practice.
- Practical Pearls in the Care of the IBD Patient**
Brian P. Bosworth, MD, FACG
Explain practical pearls in the management of IBD patients.
- Liver Lesions: Evaluation and Management**
Lewis Roberts, MB, ChB, PhD, FACG
Review the evaluation and management of liver lesions.
- You Can Run But You Can’t Hide: Diagnosis and Management of Flat and Large Colon Polyps**
Ali A. Siddiqui, MD
Discuss the endoscopic management of difficult colon polyps.
- Luminal Neuroendocrine Tumors: What Every GI Needs to Know**
Michelle K. Kim, MD
Review work-up and management of neuroendocrine tumors.
- EMR, ESD and Advanced Polypectomy**
Peter V. Draganov, MD, FACG
Illustrate techniques for performing EMR, ESD, and polypectomy.

1:20 pm **The David Sun Lecture**
Food: The Main Course to Disease and Wellness
William D. Chey, MD, FACG

SESSION 1C – Liver Disease

Moderator: *Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG*

- 1:50 pm **Autoimmune Hepatitis**
Naga P. Chalasani, MD, FACG
Review the current approach to diagnosis and treatment of autoimmune hepatitis.
- 2:10 pm **New Approaches for NASH and NAFLD**
Arun J. Sanyal, MD
Outline the current management of NASH and NAFLD.
- 2:30 pm **HBV: Is a Cure Possible?**
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG
Discuss the latest treatment options for hepatitis B infection.
- 2:50 pm **Alcoholic Hepatitis**
William D. Carey, MD, MACG
Define the management of alcoholic hepatitis.
- 3:10 pm **Panel Q&A**
- 3:30 pm **Adjourn**



“Excellent course. Great refresher on frequently seen diseases as well as updates based on hot-off-the-presses studies.”

ACG 2014 Attendee

Sunday, October 18 6:20 am – 3:00 pm

6:20 am **Introduction by Course Directors**

SESSION 2A – Pancreaticobiliary Disease

Moderator: Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG

- 6:30 am **Pancreatic Cysts: Medical and Endoscopic Management**
Massimo Raimondo, MD, FACG
Define the medical and endoscopic management of pancreatic cysts.
- 6:50 am **Auto-Immune Pancreatitis**
Suresh T. Chari, MD, FACG
Develop an approach to evaluation and treatment of autoimmune pancreatitis.
- 7:10 am **Controversies in the Treatment of Acute Pancreatitis**
Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG
Apply an individualized approach to the management of controversial issues in acute pancreatitis.
- 7:30 am **Emerging Approaches to PBC and PSC**
Keith D. Lindor, MD, FACG
Describe new approaches in the care of patients with PBC and PSC.
- 7:50 am **Panel Q & A**
- 8:10 am **Break**

SESSION 2B – New Directions in IBD Care

Moderator: Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG

- 8:30 am **New Therapeutic Agents in IBD: How and When to Use Them**
Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG
Review the indications and proper uses for the new therapeutic agents available in the care of IBD patients.
- 8:50 am **Optimal Use of Immunomodulators and Biologics in IBD**
Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACG
Develop a strategy for optimizing the efficacy of immunomodulators and biologics in the management of patients with IBD.
- 9:10 am **Mucosal Healing as a Goal of Therapy (Pro and Con)**
Pro – David A. Schwartz, MD, FACG
Con – Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG
Appraise mucosal healing as a goal in the care of patients with IBD.
- 9:30 am **How to Incorporate IBD Quality Measures Into Your Practice**
Gil Y. Melmed, MD
Demonstrate how to best integrate IBD quality measures into the clinic.
- 9:50 am **Panel Q & A**
- 10:10 am **Break**

SESSION 2C – What's Bugging You? Gastrointestinal Infections of 2015

Moderator: Richard M. Peek, MD, FACG

- 10:30 am **My Patient Failed First Line Therapy, Now What? *H. pylori* Primer**
Richard M. Peek, MD, FACG
Identify a strategy in managing patients with *H. pylori* who have failed initial therapy.
- 10:50 am **Changing Treatment Approaches to HCV**
Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG
Apply new advances and therapeutic options for patients with hepatitis C.
- 11:10 am **New Paradigms in the Management of *C. difficile***
Colleen R. Kelly, MD, FACG
Report recent changes in the approach to treating *C. difficile* colitis.
- 11:30 am **The Human Microbiome: Where Does It Fit in the Clinical Management of a Patient?**
Yehuda Ringel, MD, FACG
Synthesize how our current understanding of the microbiome can be applied to the care of patients with GI disease.
- 11:50 am **Panel Q & A**
- 12:10 pm **Break for Learning Lunches**
A total of 12 to be offered. See below and page 16.

Sunday Learning Lunches

12:20 pm – 1:35 pm

\$75 per person/per lunch. See page 36 for registration information.

- 13. **It's Not Achalasia, Now What? Approach to Non-Achalasia Esophageal Motility Disorders**
John E. Pandolfino, MD, MSCI, FACG
Identify strategies for managing patients with esophageal motility disorders.
- 14. **Practical Decision-Making in Hereditary Colon Cancer**
Carol A. Burke, MD, FACG
Formulate an approach to patients with hereditary colon cancer.
- 15. **Managing IBD Through Childbearing Years**
Sunanda V. Kane, MD, MSPH, FACG
Outline practical approaches for managing the pregnant IBD patient.
- 16. **How and When to Screen for Colon Cancer in Your IBD Patient**
David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
Explain the correct strategy for performing surveillance in patients with IBD.
- 17. **Public Policy Changes and the Impact on the GI Practice**
Costas H. Kefalas, MD, FACG
Explain the upcoming public policy changes for 2016 and potential impact on the GI practice.

Postgraduate Course

Sunday Learning Luncheons, *continued*

12:20 pm – 1:35 pm

\$75 per person/per lunch. See page 36 for registration information.

18. **Management of Ascites and Fluid Overload**
Arun Sanyal, MD
Compose a strategy for managing ascites and fluid overload in patients with cirrhosis.
19. **Capsule Endoscopy: What Is on the Horizon?**
Jonathan A. Leighton, MD, FACG
Describe the current and possible future uses for capsule endoscopy.
20. **Management of Fecal Incontinence**
Satish S. C. Rao, MD, PhD, FACG
Construct a schema for managing patients with fecal incontinence.
21. **Endoscopic Approaches to Perforations, Fistulas and Leaks**
Louis-Michel Wong Kee Song, MD
Develop an approach to endoscopic management of perforations.
22. **Pelvic Floor Dysfunction**
Amy E. Foxx-Orenstein, DO, FACG
Describe the evaluation and management of pelvic floor dysfunction.
23. **How Can I Increase My Adenoma Detection Rate?**
Mark B. Pochapin, MD, FACG
Review endoscopic techniques for increasing adenoma detection rate at colonoscopy.
24. **We Need a Plumber! Managing Benign and Malignant Biliary Strictures**
Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG
Demonstrate an effective treatment approach for patients with biliary strictures.

The Opening Welcome Reception

Sunday, 3:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Immediately following the conclusion of the Postgraduate Course, join colleagues for the ACG 2015 Opening Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall. The Reception will feature hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. This casual social gathering will give all attendees the opportunity to explore the Hall, meet with exhibitors, and network and mingle with fellow professionals.

SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA SESSIONS

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

SYMPOSIUM D – Personalized Management of GI Diseases: Are We There Yet?

Moderator: *Raymond K. Cross, MD*

- 1:45 pm **Personalized Medicine in IBD**
Raymond K. Cross, MD
Examine the current application of personalized medicine in the management of patients with IBD.
- 2:05 pm **Individualized Approach to Colon Polyps and Colon Cancer**
Carol A. Burke, MD, FACG
Describe a patient centered approach to the care of patients with colon polyps and colon cancer.
- 2:25 pm **Personalized Medicine in Pancreatic Diseases**
Tyler Stevens, MD, FACG
Define an individualized approach to patients with pancreatic disease.
- 2:45 pm **Panel Q & A**

SYMPOSIUM E – Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders

Moderator: *Brian E. Lacy, MD, PhD, FACG*

- 1:45 pm **Treatments of Opioid Bowel**
Brian E. Lacy, MD, PhD, FACG
Describe management issues in the treatment of opioid bowel.
- 2:05 pm **What Comes Up Must Go Down: Rumination Syndrome vs. Cyclical Vomiting**
Ronnie Fass, MD, FACG
Define the evaluation and management of patients with rumination and cyclical vomiting.
- 2:25 pm **Functional Biliary Disorders**
P. Jay Pasricha, MD
Identify management strategies of functional biliary disorders.
- 2:45 pm **Panel Q & A**

SYMPOSIUM F – GI Emergencies

Moderator: *John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG*

- 1:45 pm **You Swallowed What? Foreign Body and Caustic Ingestion**
Seth A. Gross, MD, FACG
Define the best management strategies for patients with foreign body and caustic ingestions.
- 2:05 pm **Novel Approaches to Upper GI Bleeding**
John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG
Appraise the novel approaches for upper GI bleeding.
- 2:25 pm **Lower GI Bleeding: To Scope or Not to Scope**
Dennis M. Jensen, MD, FACG
Define practical approaches to treating lower GI bleeding.
- 2:45 pm **Panel Q & A**
- 3:00 pm **Postgraduate Course Adjourns**
- 3:15 pm **Opening Welcome Reception**
Reception will be held in the Exhibit Hall.



ACG's Hands-on Workshop Center

Sunday — 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Monday — 9:45 am – 4:00 pm

Tuesday — 9:05 am – 4:00 pm

DIRECTORS:

Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACP

Srinadh Komanduri, MD

ACG is proud to offer the Hands-on Workshop Center. Since its inception in 2010, it has grown in size and scope and has become one of the go-to events at the Annual Meeting. Gain insight from leading experts. Learn about the latest tools and techniques. Participate in one or more of the 18 sessions to be offered. Below is a preliminary agenda.

Continue to visit www.acgmeetings.gi.org for updates on the agenda and faculty. Hands-on sessions are free to ACG 2015 attendees. Registration for the hands-on sessions will take place on-site at ACG 2015.

Sunday, October 17 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

EMR • Polypectomy • Foreign Body Removal

Monday, October 18 9:45 am – 4:00 pm

ERCP • Enteral Stenting • Hemostasis • EUS • Mucosal Ablation • EMR with the Asian Experts

Tuesday, October 19 9:05 am – 4:00 pm

Esophageal & Anorectal Motility Disorders • Hemorrhoid Therapy • ESD, Suturing & Closures • Capsule Endoscopy • Enteroscopy • EMR/Polypectomy

Fellows-only Sessions

Monday, October 18 7:00 am – 9:15 am

ERCP • Enteral Stenting • Hemostasis

ACG 2015

Annual Scientific Meeting

Monday, October 19 through Wednesday, October 21

Be sure to visit poster presentations in the Exhibit Hall on Sunday, October 18th beginning at 2:00 pm, and enjoy the Opening Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall beginning at 3:15 pm on Sunday.

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The field of gastroenterology and hepatology continues to see advancements in areas relating to diagnostic measures, therapeutic options and technology. To provide appropriate and top-quality patient care, the clinician is challenged to stay abreast of the changes and advancements affecting the management of many gastrointestinal

and liver disease states. Throughout the three-day Annual Meeting, you will be exposed to updates in a variety of topics, including hepatitis C, quality colonoscopy practices, IBD therapies and management, IBS treatment, PPIs, cirrhosis, challenges in screening and surveillance, Barrett's esophagus, and more.

Ten scientific symposia will allow attendees to hear lecture presentations from experts and to participate in interactive question and answer sessions with the faculty. In addition, 16 optional scientific breakfast sessions will be offered, where a smaller setting allows for heightened interaction with the speakers and greater audience involvement. Many sessions will use expert panel discussions in debate and case-based formats.

Returning this year is the Endoscopy Video Forum, "Live from Honolulu! The 3rd Annual Endoscopy Video Forum." The Forum will feature the best video presentations submitted from colleagues from across the U.S. and around the world. Submitted during ACG's Call for Abstracts and peer-reviewed and selected for presentation, the cases will feature endoscopy techniques, challenging or unique cases, and cases in the area of GI endoscopy. During the session, the audience, along with the Judges, will vote to select the best video of ACG 2015.

The Annual Scientific Meeting program is designed primarily for physicians in gastroenterology and hepatology, as well as physician assistants, nurse practitioners and other advanced practice healthcare professionals interested in the latest information on state-of-the-art treatment of these illnesses.

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Monday, October 19 7:00 am – 4:10 pm

5:45 am – 4:15 pm Registration

6:00 am – 7:00 am Optional Breakfast Sessions
Separate registration required

7:00 am – 7:10 am Opening Remarks
Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG

7:10 am – 8:10 am President's Plenary Session 1
Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG
John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG

8:10 am – 8:40 am President's Address
Stephen B. Hanauer, MD, FACG

8:40 am – 9:40 am President's Plenary Session 2
Kenneth R. DeVault, MD, FACG
John R. Saltzman, MD, FACG

9:40 am – 10:25 am Break – Visit Exhibits

10:25 am – 11:40 am Simultaneous Symposia 1

Monday Breakfast Sessions

6:00 am – 7:00 am

Cost is \$60 per person/per session. Separate registration required. A syllabus on USB including all ACG 2015 Breakfast Sessions will be provided to attendees registered for any Breakfast Session. See page 36 for registration information.

BREAKFAST A: Not All Colitis Is Created Equal
Moderator: David A. Johnson, MD, MACG

Symptomatic Diverticular Disease (SUDD, SCAD): The Twisted Sister of IBS?

Carol A. Burke, MD, FACG

Recognize clinical features of, and treatment options for, the spectrum of symptomatic diverticular diseases.

C. difficile Colitis: Antibiotics, Stool Elixirs and Beyond

Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG

Apply current and emerging therapies for *Clostridium difficile* disease.

Ischemic Colitis: New Approaches to Old Disease

David A. Johnson, MD, MACG

Describe the clinical characteristics, risk stratification and management options for ischemic colitis.

BREAKFAST B: What the Gastroenterologist Needs to Know About Surgery for IBD

Moderator: Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG

Surgical Management of Crohn's Complications: Abscesses to Strictures

James M. Church, MD, FACG

Describe the surgical management of common Crohn's complications.

Endoscopic Management of IBD Complications: Strictures to Fistulas

Bo Shen, MD, FACG

Demonstrate the application of endoscopy to manage complications of IBD.

Medical Management of Post-operative Crohn's Disease: Early Treatment Versus Watchful Waiting

Miguel D. Regueiro, MD, FACG

Apply the data supporting post-operative medical therapy in Crohn's disease patients.

BREAKFAST C: Bariatric Endoscopy: Are We Ready to Take on This Weighty Issue?

Moderator: Richard I. Rothstein, MD, FACG

What Every Gastroenterologist Has to Know about Pre- and Post-Bariatric Surgery Patients

Violeta B. Popov, MD

Evaluate the approach to bariatric preoperative patient and anticipate postoperative problems.

Endoscopic Management of Post-operative Complications

Christopher C. Thompson, MD, FACG

Diagnose and treat post-operative complications.

Primary Endoscopic Weight Loss Methods

Richard I. Rothstein, MD, FACG

Distinguish between the various endoscopic bariatric procedures and determine the most appropriate intervention in the obese patient.

BREAKFAST D: Understanding the Language of the Gut Microbiome and Applying It to Your Practice

Moderator: Yehuda Ringel, MD, FACG

The Language of the Gut Microbiome

Baharak Moshiree, MD

Explain key terms in gut microbiome research and clinical trials.

Answering Your Patients' Questions About the Gut

Microbiome and Applying It in Clinic

Yehuda Ringel, MD, FACG

Answer key clinical questions and summarize therapeutic options that can be used in clinical practice.



10:25 am – 11:40 am **SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA 1**

1A: Hepatitis C Update

Moderator: Stanley M. Cohen, MD

New Guideline-based Treatment

Nancy S. Reau, MD

Identify appropriate treatment regimens for specific hepatitis C populations.

The Approach to the Treatment of the Complicated Hepatitis C Patient

Paul Martin, MD, FACP

Evaluate and successfully manage patients with decompensated cirrhosis, renal failure and coinfection.

Navigating Hepatitis C Treatment in My Practice

Stanley M. Cohen, MD

Apply practical approaches to prior authorization, compliance and side effect management.

1B: Colonoscopy Quality in Practice: Fewer Mulligans, Next Steps After Failing to Make Par and Comparing Handicaps

Moderator: David M. Kastenberg, MD, FACP

Improving Prep: Fewer Mulligans

David M. Kastenberg, MD, FACP

Describe grading systems for colonic preparations and identify practical strategies to optimize outcomes.

Incomplete Colonoscopy: Next Steps After Failing to Make Par

Joseph G. Cheatham, MD

Compare and contrast alternate methods after technical failure of optical colonoscopy.

How Do I Stack Up Against My Peers and Why Does This Matter? Comparing Handicaps

David A. Johnson, MD, MACG

Summarize the implications of individual reporting of colonoscopy quality metrics and strategies to improve the metrics.

11:40 am – 12:05 pm **ACG Exhibitor Theater**

11:40 am – 12:40 pm **Lunch Break – Visit Exhibits**

11:40 am – 12:40 pm **Poster Session**

12:15 pm – 12:40 pm **Exhibitor Theater**

12:40 pm – 1:25 pm **Simultaneous Plenary Sessions**

1:25 pm – 2:10 pm **The American Journal of Gastroenterology Lecture**
How Information Technology Will Transform Gastroenterology
 Brennan M. R. Spiegel, MD, MSHS, FACP

2:10 pm – 2:55 pm **Break – Visit Exhibits**

2:10 pm – 2:55 pm **Exhibitor Theater**

2:55 pm – 4:10 pm **SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA 2**

2A: Preventing Problems and Treating Them as They Arise

Moderator: Girish Mishra, MD, FACP

Preventing Post-ERCP Pancreatitis

Martin L. Freeman, MD, FACP

Apply evidence-based strategies to reduce post-ERCP pancreatitis via patient selection, endoscopic technique and pharmacologic intervention.

Managing the Complications of Acute Pancreatitis: From Necrosis to Thrombosis

Peter V. Draganov, MD, FACP

Manage challenging complications of acute pancreatitis.

Killing the Pain (But Not the Patient) in Chronic Pancreatitis

Girish Mishra, MD, FACP

Compare treatment methods for painful chronic pancreatitis.

2B: Inflammatory Bowel Disease Therapy: Making the Most of What We Have

Moderator: William J. Tremaine, MD, FACP

Corticosteroids and Thiopurines: Still Relevant in IBD in 2015?

William J. Tremaine, MD, FACP

Justify the use of corticosteroids and thiopurines in the era of biologics.

Good to the Last Drop: Optimizing Biologic Therapy in IBD

Fernando S. Velayos, MD

Calculate appropriate dosing regimens for biologic therapy.

Generic Anti-tumor Necrosis Factor Therapy: Biosimilars – Saints or Sinners?

Gary R. Lichtenstein, MD, FACP

Assess the impact of biosimilars on treatment regimens.

2C: Live from Honolulu! The 3rd Annual Endoscopy Video Forum

Moderator: Seth A. Gross, MD, FACP

Judges: Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACP, Carol A. Burke, MD, FACP, John R. Saltzman, MD, FACP, Michael B. Wallace, MD, FACP

This Video Forum Symposium will feature the best video presentations submitted by colleagues from across the U.S. and around the world. Submitted during ACG's Call for Abstracts and peer-reviewed and selected for presentation, the cases will feature endoscopy techniques, challenging or unique cases, and cases in the area of GI endoscopy. During the session, the audience, along with the Judges, will vote to select the best video of ACG 2015. Attendees will view videos showcasing interesting endoscopic findings and techniques encountered in daily clinical practice.

4:10 pm – 4:30 pm **Annual Business Meeting** College Members & Fellows invited

4:30 pm **Adjourn**

Tuesday Breakfast Sessions

6:00 am – 7:00 am

Cost is \$60 per person/per session. Separate registration required. A syllabus on USB including all ACG 2015 Breakfast Sessions will be provided to attendees registered for any Breakfast Session. See page 36 for registration information.

BREAKFAST E: **Anorectal Disorders: Running Red Lights and Repeat Offenders**

Moderator: *Waqar A. Qureshi, MD, FACG*

Management of Incontinence: Running Red Lights

Stephanie M. Moleski, MD

Summarize the classification, evaluation and management of fecal incontinence

Treating Hemorrhoids: Repeat Offenders

Waqar A. Qureshi, MD, FACG

Analyze the classification, evaluation and endoscopic management of hemorrhoids.

Following the didactic lectures, attendees will participate in a hands-on session taking place in the Hands-on Workshop Center from 6:40 am – 8:00 am.

BREAKFAST F: **Large Flat or Hiding: Knowing Your Enemy Is Half the Battle**

Moderator: *Seth A. Gross, MD, FACG*

Serrated Polyps: Bad Players? Clinical Characteristics and Endoscopic Approach

Dennis J. Ahnen, MD, FACG

Describe the natural history, clinical characteristics and endoscopic approaches to serrated polyps.

Reigning in the Rogue Polyp

Michael B. Wallace, MD, FACG

Evaluate endoscopic techniques for identifying and managing large/flat polyps.

Imaging and Emerging Technologies for Colonoscopy: Gizmos and Gadgets

Seth A. Gross, MD, FACG

Evaluate existing and emerging techniques and technologies to enhance performance of colonoscopy.

BREAKFAST G: **Gastroenterology and the Law**

Moderator: *Scott M. Tenner, MD, JD, FACG*

Prudent Risk Management in Gastroenterology

Nicholas J. Procacinni, MD

Evaluate potential pitfalls and provide avoidance strategies.

What Can You Do to Avoid Medical Malpractice?

John Baillie, MB, ChB, FACG

Formulate a strategy to avoid medical malpractice.

What You Need to Know About Employment Law

Scott M. Tenner, MD, JD, FACG

Identify possible legal complications in the workplace.

BREAKFAST H: **Complex Cases in Pancreatology**

Moderator: *Timothy B. Gardner, MD, FACG*

"My Mom and Brother Had Pancreatic Cancer – Will I Get It?"

Tyler Stevens, MD, FACG

Evaluate risks for the development of pancreatic cancer and assess screening options.

"I'm Young and I Don't Drink – So Why Do I Keep Getting Pancreatitis?"

Vikesh Singh, MD

Assess genetic risk factors for the development of pancreatic disease.

"Should I Have My Pancreas Removed to Treat My Pain?"

Timothy B. Gardner, MD, FACG

Summarize existing data on total pancreatectomy with islet cell transplant.

BREAKFAST I: **Complementary and Alternative Therapies in Gastroenterology and Hepatology: Are Complementary Therapies Really Still Complementary?**

Moderator: *Eamonn M. M. Quigley, MD, FACG*

IBD and CAM

Adam S. Cheifetz, MD, FACG

Analyze current CAM therapeutic options used to treat IBD, including special diets, herbals, cannabis, probiotics, and FMT.

Hepatology and CAM

David J. Hass, MD, FACG

Assess current CAM therapeutic options in liver patients, with an emphasis on herbal products and possible complications, including DILI.

FGIDs and CAM

Eamonn M. M. Quigley, MD, FACG

Evaluate current CAM therapeutic options in patients with IBS, functional dyspepsia, SIBO and constipation, with an emphasis on prebiotics, probiotics, herbal products, behavioral therapies, and FMT.

BREAKFAST J: **Practical Approach to the Liver Zebras**

Moderator: *Renu Umashanker, MD, FACG*

Heavy Metals and Genetic Liver Diseases

Joseph Ahn, MD, FACG

Identify and evaluate diagnostic and treatment approaches for hemochromatosis, Wilson's Disease, and alpha 1 antitrypsin deficiency.

Plumbing Problems in the Liver

Renu Umashanker, MD, FACG

Treat patients with portal vein thrombosis and Budd-Chiari syndrome.

Transplant 101: Who to Refer and How to Manage?

Philippe J. Zamor, MD

Summarize the specific responsibilities of the gastroenterologist (a) in determining when to refer for transplant and (b) in following and treating post-transplant patients.

BREAKFAST K: **Celiac Disease: What Is New on the Horizon?**

Moderator: *Joseph A. Murray, MD, FACG*

Celiac Disease versus Non-celiac Gluten Sensitivity

Ciaran P. Kelly, MD, FACG

Distinguish between celiac disease versus non-celiac gluten sensitivity and determine proper therapeutic interventions.

New Therapeutic Interventions in Celiac Disease: Beyond the Gluten Free Diet

Joseph A. Murray, MD, FACG

Summarize the emerging strategies that will be used to treat celiac disease.

Updates on Diagnosing and Monitoring Celiac Disease

Peter H. R. Green, MD, FACG

Evaluate different ways to diagnose and monitor celiac disease.

BREAKFAST L: **The Ever-changing Waves of Esophageal Motility**

Moderator: *Peter J. Kahrilas, MD, FACG*

The Chicago Classification: What Is Changing and How Does it Affect Clinical Practice?

Peter J. Kahrilas, MD, FACG

Summarize the newest version of the Chicago classification for esophageal motility tracings and the clinical implications of the new classification.

Tools to Choose the Right Treatment Option (to Inject, to Bag or to Cut), to Assess Response, and Predict Outcomes in the Achalasia Patient

John E. Pandolfino, MD, MSCI, FACG

Identify the manometric criteria (based on the Chicago classification) used to (a) decide the best treatment options, (b) assess response and (c) predict clinical outcomes in patients with achalasia.

Therapeutic Options for the Non-Achalasia (Hypercontractile/Hypocontractile) Patient With Esophageal Motility Disorders

Marcelo F. Vela, MD, MSCR, FACG

Outline the treatments available for esophageal motility disorders other than achalasia.

Tuesday, October 20 7:00 am – 4:00 pm

- 5:45 am – 4:00 pm **Registration**
- 6:00 am – 7:00 am **Optional Breakfast Sessions**
Separate registration required.
See the list of breakfast sessions on page 22.
- 7:00 am – 8:30 am **Simultaneous Plenary Sessions**
- 8:30 am – 9:00 am **J. Edward Berk Distinguished Lecture**
Sleep Effect on GI Health and Disease:
Eyes Wide Open?
David A. Johnson, MD, MACG
- 9:00 am – 9:45 am **Break – Visit Exhibits**
- 9:00 am – 9:45 am **Exhibitor Theater**
- 9:45 am – 11:00 am **SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA 3**

3A: Evolving Concepts in the Treatment of IBS

Moderator: *William D. Chey, MD, FACG*

Probiotics and Antibiotics: Are These First Line Agents?

Mark Pimentel, MD, FACG

Evaluate the clinical efficacy and safety of probiotics and antibiotics in IBS patients.

Diet: Which Should You Choose for Your IBS Patient?

William D. Chey, MD, FACG

Assess dietary interventions in IBS using an evidence-based approach.

When Your Patient Wants a Pill: What Are the New and Upcoming Pharmacologic Options?

Darren M. Brenner, MD

Outline new treatments for IBS (eluxadoline, plecanatide, elobixibat, linaclotide) and upcoming therapies.

3B: The PPI Non-responsive Patient

Moderator: *John E. Pandolfino, MD, MSCI, FACG*

The Unresponsive and the Refractory Patient: What to Do and How to Manage

John E. Pandolfino, MD, MSCI, FACG

Use diagnostic tools to differentiate the unresponsive from the truly refractory GERD patient and outline the therapeutic options for these patients.

The Functional GERD Patient (Visceral Hypersensitivity): Treatment Options

Ronnie Fass, MD, FACG

Assess the diagnostic criteria of functional GERD and visceral hypersensitivity and implement appropriate evidence-based medicine treatments.

Diagnosis and Management of the Non-acid Reflux Patient

Marcelo F. Vela, MD, MSCR, FACG

Define the role of pH-impedance testing and the criteria for ineffective peristalsis and, identify the most appropriate treatments available for these conditions.

11:00 am – 12:00 pm **Lunch Break – Visit Exhibits**

11:00 am – 11:25 am **Exhibitor Theater**

11:35 am – 12:00 pm **Exhibitor Theater**

11:45 am – 1:15 pm **Poster Session**

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm **Simultaneous Plenary Sessions**

1:30 pm – 2:15 pm **Break – Visit Exhibits**

1:30 pm – 2:15 pm **Exhibitor Theater**

2:15 pm – 2:45 pm **Emily Couric Memorial Lecture**
National Registry Benchmarking for Colonoscopy Quality: The “High Road”
Toward Improving the Performance of Colonoscopy and Cancer Prevention
Irving M. Pike, MD, FACG

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm **SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA 4**

4A: The Sick Liver: Management of the Complications of Decompensated Cirrhosis

Moderator: *Mark W. Russo, MD, FACG*

The Bleeding Won’t Stop: Portal Hypertensive Bleeding

Mark W. Russo, MD, FACG

Summarize appropriate management of portal hypertensive bleeding.

I’m Still Confused: Management of Hepatic Encephalopathy Beyond Lactulose

Jasmohan S. Bajaj, MD, FACG

Apply medical and dietary treatment alternatives to the patient who has encephalopathy and is not responding to lactulose.

Cancer in the Liver: The Next Step

Joseph Ahn, MD, FACG

Evaluate the multidisciplinary management of hepatocellular carcinoma.

4B: Controversies in the Management of Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Case Studies

Moderator: *Uma Mahadevan, MD, FACG*

The Use of Biologics as First Line Therapy in the Treatment of IBD: One Size Fits All?

Bruce E. Sands, MD, FACG

Select the appropriate patient to use biologic therapy as the first line agent.

Doctor, Do I Have to Take This Medication Forever? Escalation and De-escalation of Therapy in IBD

Uma Mahadevan, MD, FACG

Assess how to alter dosing based on patient response.

Continuing Immunosuppressive Therapy in the Patient With Infection or Malignancy

Edward V. Loftus, MD, FACG

Evaluate the risk of therapy in the setting of relative contraindications.

4:00 pm **Adjourn**

“An excellent course, clinically relevant and efficiently delivered. I enjoyed it thoroughly.”

ACG 2014 Attendee

Wednesday, October 21 7:00 am – 10:45 am

5:45 am – 10:45 am **Registration**

6:00 am – 7:00 am **Optional Breakfast Sessions**
Separate registration required. See the complete list of breakfast sessions below.

7:00 am – 8:45 am **Simultaneous Plenary Sessions**

8:45 am – 9:15 am **David Y. Graham Lecture**
**Eosinophilic Esophagitis 2015:
From Acid Reflux to Food Allergy**
Ikuo Hirano, MD, FACG

9:15 am – 9:30 am **Break**

9:30 am – 10:45 am **SIMULTANEOUS SYMPOSIA 5**

5A: Screening and Surveillance: Challenging Cases

Panelists: *Aasma Shaukat, MD, FACG, Carol A. Burke, MD, FACG, Jason A. Dominitz, MD*

Apply the best evidence to common clinical conundrums in an interactive case-based discussion forum.

5B: Endoscopic Ablation of Barrett's: How Far Have We Come?

Moderator: *Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, FACG*

Ablation Therapies of Barrett's: To Freeze or to Burn the Dysplastic Barrett's Esophagus Patient and Its Role in Early Adenocarcinoma

Nicholas J. Shaheen, MD, MPH, FACG

Identify the benefits and limitations of RFA and cryotherapy for dysplastic Barrett's metaplasia and summarize surveillance protocols after eradication.

When Is It Appropriate to Recommend Ablation for Non-Dysplastic Barrett's?

Peter J. Kahrilas, MD, FACG

Analyze the adverse outcomes, risks and benefits of ablation therapy in patients with low risk and non-dysplastic Barrett's metaplasia.

Risk and Treatment of Persistent and Recurrent Barrett's Metaplasia: When to Stop and What to Do With the "Buried Glands"

Kenneth K. Wang, MD, FACG

Explain the approach to treat the dysplastic Barrett's esophagus and the practical endpoints with emphasis on persistent, recurrent Barrett's after ablation and buried glands.

10:45 am **Annual Meeting Adjourns**

Wednesday Breakfast Sessions 6:00 am – 7:00 am

Cost is \$60 per person/per session. Separate registration required. A syllabus on USB including all ACG 2015 Breakfast Sessions will be provided to attendees registered for any Breakfast Session. See page 36 for registration information.

BREAKFAST M: **Controversial Debates in Endoscopy**

Moderator: *Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG*

The Challenging Esophagus: Strictures, Leaks and Perforations – What Really Works?

Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG

Identify optimal treatment strategies for managing complex esophageal structural disease.

Should I Stop Doing ERCP?

Ali A. Siddiqui, MD

Evaluate the evidence regarding quality outcomes at different volumes of practice.

Interventional EUS: Experimental or Ready for Prime Time?

Douglas K. Pleskow, MD

Evaluate evidence-based literature on the safety and efficacy of interventional EUS.

BREAKFAST N: **Small Bowel, Large Problem**

Moderator: *Jonathan A. Leighton, MD, FACG*

Rational Approach to Diagnosis and Treatment of Small Bowel Arteriovenous Malformations

Jonathan A. Leighton, MD, FACG

Diagnosis AVMs and determine the best therapeutic approach.

Not Your Grandmother's SIBO: Changing Characteristics and Approach

Mark Pimentel, MD, FACG

Choose the most appropriate approach to SIBO and subsequent treatment interventions.

Enlarging Treatment for Short Bowel

Stephen J. D. O'Keefe, MD, FACG

Select the most appropriate treatment from various treatment options in patients with short bowel.

BREAKFAST O: **What Your IBD Patient Really Wants to Know**

Moderator: *Laura E. Raffals, MD*

"Doctor, I Heard About This Diet..."

Laura E. Raffals, MD

Summarize the popular diets associated with IBD.

The Poop About Weed: Fecal Microbiota Transplant and Cannabis for IBD

Adam S. Cheifetz, MD, FACG

Interpret existing data that support the use of FMT and cannabis in IBD.

Beyond the Bowel: Health Care Maintenance and Quality of Care in IBD

Francis A. Farraye, MD, MSc, FACG

Apply HCM and quality recommendations to your IBD practice.

BREAKFAST P: **Hepatitis B: The Forgotten Virus**

Moderator: *Tram T. Tran, MD, FACG*

So Many Tests, So Many Serologies: Screening, Interpreting and Monitoring Hepatitis B Tests

Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG

Apply appropriate diagnostic testing and screening of hepatitis B patients.

Current Treatment Options: Guideline Based Management

Paul Martin, MD, FACG

Use guideline based treatment for hepatitis B infected patients.

Special Populations: Pregnancy, Coinfection and Reactivation

Tram T. Tran, MD, FACG

Select appropriate treatment regimens for specific hepatitis B populations.

Focused Programs for GI Fellows

The American College of Gastroenterology is committed to serving the specific needs of GI trainees. The ACG 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course include elements designed with this aim in mind. The College assists GI trainees as they prepare for their future in gastroenterology, offering focused discussions from gastroenterologists in a variety of practice settings, such as the Trainees Luncheon, Career Opportunities for Women in GI Luncheon, and the Navigating, Networking and Negotiating Your First Job Workshop. Plus, there is an opportunity for those in training programs to showcase their talents by competing in GI Jeopardy.

Navigating, Networking and Negotiating Your First Job Workshop

Friday, October 16 • 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm

The Women in GI Committee is hosting a program geared towards senior GI fellows and junior faculty, addressing the specifics of both the private practice and academic job search. Discussions will focus on details of private practice versus academics, contract analysis, networking skills, negotiating skills, and work-life balance, for both men and women. Separate breakouts for small group discussions are planned. Dinner will be provided.

Advance registration is required and space is limited. To register, please visit the Fellows in Training page of the ACG 2015 Annual Meeting website at www.acgmeetings.gi.org/training.asp.

Career Opportunities for Women in GI Luncheon

Saturday, October 17 • 11:55 am – 1:10 pm

The Women in Gastroenterology Committee is hosting a program geared toward residents and trainees who are facing difficult decisions regarding the future of their medical careers. Female gastroenterologists from a variety of medical backgrounds will address the issues of being a female subspecialist, balancing career and family, and opportunities for women in medicine, and, more specifically, gastroenterology.

Advance registration is required and space is limited. To register, please visit the Fellows in Training page of the ACG 2015 Annual Meeting website at www.acgmeetings.gi.org/training.asp.



GI Jeopardy: Buzz In for Your Training Program

Saturday, October 17 • 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

ACG's favorite quiz show, GI Jeopardy, will be back again in 2015. To become a contestant, you must be a fellow-in-training, but all are welcome to attend the competitive final round, a spirited GI version of the television classic.

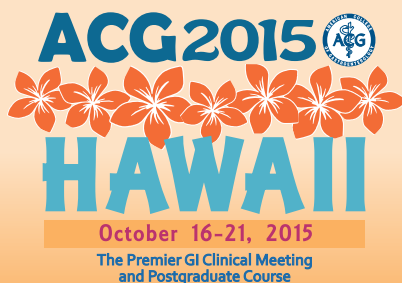
The competition begins in July with a preliminary round open to all GI training programs. Groups of fellows will take an online test on a variety of GI topics and diseases. The top five scoring programs will then be invited to send two-person teams to compete in front of a live audience at ACG 2015. Travel expenses for the teams will be covered by ACG. Last year's GI Jeopardy finalists were supported by more than 300 lively audience members giving the event a real game show atmosphere.

Trainees Luncheon

Sunday, October 18 • 12:20 pm – 1:35 pm

A special luncheon exclusively for fellows-in-training will be offered on Sunday during the Postgraduate Course. While this year's topic has yet to be determined, past topics have included "Employment Agreements," "4th Year GI Fellowships," "From Fellowship to Practice: What You Need to Know," and "What I Learned My First Year in Practice." Register early, as this luncheon sells out every year.

The luncheon is available to all trainees in gastroenterology and hepatology, and has a fee of \$35. See the Registration Form on page 37 to register.



SAP-MOC, PG+MOC, SAT and Online SAT

What does it all mean?

The College is focused on providing you with useful tools that enhance your learning experience at the ACG 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course PLUS help you gain the CME or MOC you need. Because so much is offered to you when you attend, we've provided an at-a-glance reference on what you receive when you register for a specific course.

SAP-MOC

Free with paid registration to ACG Recertification Course, October 16, 2015

# questions	CME credits	MOC points	Register for	Access
30	2.5	10	Recertification Course	www.sapmoc.gi.org
The 2015 course will offer a 10-point MOC module called the Self-Assessment Program-Maintenance of Certification module, or SAP-MOC for short. Attendees of the Recertification Course will now receive this FREE when they register and attend the course. The course is offered on Friday evening from 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm.				

PG + MOC

Free with paid registration to ACG PG Course, October 17-18, 2015

# questions	CME credits	MOC points	Register for	Access
up to 30	Yes	10	Postgraduate Course	www.sapmoc.gi.org
The ACG 2015 Annual Postgraduate Course will feature a 10-point MOC module called PG+MOC. Available beginning in October, start the module before attending the PG Course. If you complete the module successfully, submit your points directly to ABIM. If you did not complete the module or if there were learning gaps, the PG+MOC provides a recommended list of sessions to attend during the PG Course.				

SAT or Self-Assessment Test

Free with paid registration to ACG PG Course, October 17-18, 2015

# questions	CME credits	Register for	Access
300	up to 35	Postgraduate Course	Pick up on-site at ACG 2015
Every attendee of the Annual Postgraduate Course receives a two-volume print version of the Self-Assessment Test. Comprising the two-volume print version is a question book and an answer book. When you register for the Annual Postgraduate Course, a copy is automatically included in your registration bag. The print version of the SAT is included in your registration fee.			

Online SAT

Companion to ACG PG Course, October 17-18, 2015

# questions	CME credits	cost member/non-member	Access
300	up to 35	\$99/\$150	www.satest.gi.org
The online Self-Assessment Test is an enhanced online version of the print test. Of the offerings highlighted in this flyer, this is the only add-on that is an additional cost to you. The enhanced online version offers valuable links to PubMed, videos, images and more. For 2015, the College will open the Online SAT to everyone in September. Look for details in September for how to order.			

Explore the islands of Hawaii

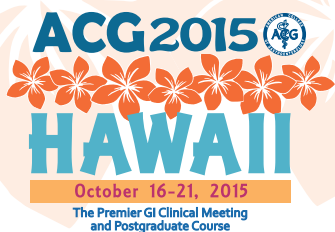
There are eight main islands of Hawaii: Oahu, Maui, Hawaii, Kauai, Lanai, Molokai, Niihau and Kahoolawe, but only six are open to visitors. Niihau is owned by a family and you may only visit the island if you are invited by the family, are a resident, or through a special tour. Kahoolawe was once used for bombing practice by the U.S. Navy and after a 10-year period of ordnance removal, control of access to Kahoolawe was given back to the state of Hawaii in 2004, though it is not open to the public. Each island offers its own unique experience — whether you are looking for an active nightlife on Oahu, want to visit a volcano on the big island of Hawaii, explore nature at its finest on Kauai, take in a game of golf at a luxury resort on Lanai, learn the hula on the island of Molokai where the dance originated, or explore a laid-back lifestyle on Maui.





Oahu

When you first think of Hawaii, Oahu comes to mind. There are five regions of Oahu: Honolulu, Central Oahu, Windward Coast, Leeward Coast, and the North Shore. Of all the Hawaiian islands, Oahu is the most populous. You'll find famous Waikiki Beach in Honolulu and just steps from a number of the ACG 2015 meeting hotels. Central Oahu is home to Pearl Harbor, the command center of the U.S. Navy Pacific Fleet. Pearl Harbor is also the only active military base that is also a national historic park. A must see on Oahu is the *USS Arizona* Memorial, as well as the *USS Oklahoma* Memorial and the *USS Utah* Memorial, located in the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument. Unlike other U.S. war memorials, these solemn memorials are where our brave sailors lost their lives. While at the National Monument, you can also visit the *USS Missouri* Memorial. Fondly referred to as "Mighty Mo," it was on the *USS Missouri* where Gen. Douglas MacArthur accepted surrender from the Japanese. The *USS Bowfin* Submarine Museum and Park is also part of the National Monument and can be toured before taking the boat shuttle to





fact: The “Navy Hymn” is *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*. A favorite hymn of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, it was sung at FDR’s funeral and also played by the U.S. Navy Band as President John F. Kennedy’s body was carried up the steps of the U.S. Capitol to lie in state. The first verse of the hymn is:

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd’st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!*

the *USS Arizona*. In addition, the Pacific Aviation Museum, located on Ford Island, is included in the National Monument. Ford Island is in the middle of Pearl Harbor and the ships that were bombed on December 7, 1941, were moored off its shores. Up until the mid-1990s, the U.S. Navy was still using the island. Through a preservation plan, several buildings were saved and the island is now part of the National Monument.

For a more laid-back experience on Oahu, go to the North Shore to experience some of the best surfing in the world. Along the way, you’ll find a number of eateries featuring local fresh food, the epitome of farm-to-table cuisine! Other sites to visit on Oahu include Diamond Head, Iolani Palace, and Byodo-in Temple in the Temples Memorial Park. Byodo-in Temple is located on the Windward Coast region. A non-denominational Temple, visitors can meditate or just enjoy the beautiful surroundings. Byodo-in Temple in Oahu has also been featured on popular TV shows that have been filmed in Hawaii.



Wonder what time it is at home or work? ACG 2015 will take place during Daylight Savings Time. Hawaii is six hours behind the U.S. East Coast during Daylight Savings Time, and five hours during Standard Time.



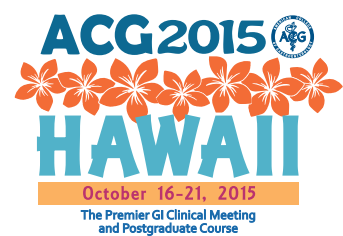
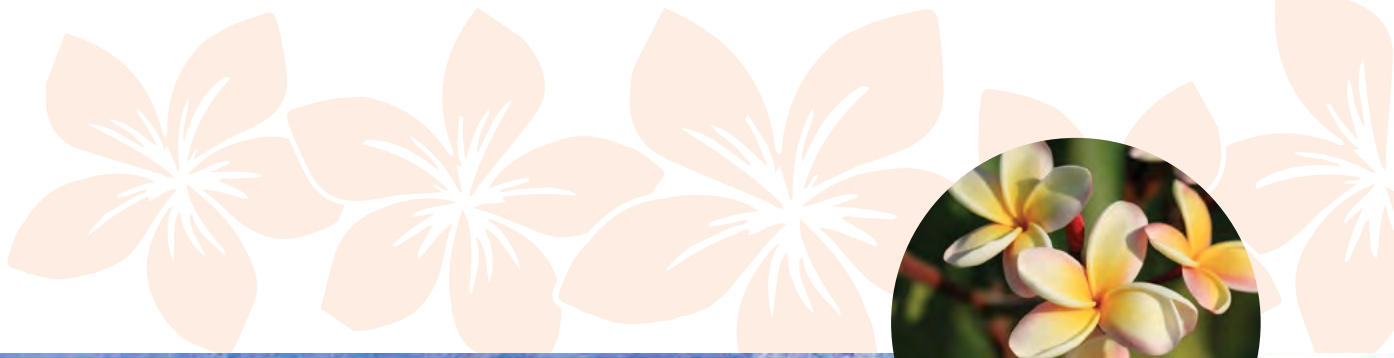
Maui



fact: The Hawaiian alphabet has 12 letters: five vowels, a, e, i, o, u; and 7 consonants, h, k, l, m, n, p, w.



The second largest of the islands of Hawaii, Maui is also referred to as “The Valley Isle.” Maui has long been popular with visitors seeking a small-town feel and luxury resorts. Voted by Condé Nast as the best island for 19 years, you’ll find numerous shops, artists’ communities, and farm-to-table cuisine that Maui is known for. There are five regions: East Maui, Upcountry Maui, West Maui, South Maui and Central Maui. Your visit to Maui starts in Central Maui, where the Kahului Airport is located. This area offers plenty of unique treasures that makes a visit to Maui a must on your list of things to do and see in Hawaii. East Maui is known for the Haleakala National Park and also for the winding road to Hana. Beginning in Central Maui, Hana Highway is a 52-mile trek filled with numerous curves, 620 to be exact, hairpin turns, and nearly 60 bridges. While you will be travelling by car, this drive is not for the faint of heart and it can take up to four hours to make the trek, but if you are adventurous, you’ll get to enjoy the beautiful vistas of the Pacific ocean, waterfalls and exotic landscape. West Maui was once the capital of the Hawaiian Kingdom and Hawaiian royalty would retreat to the sunny, northwest coast. Located in West Maui is the town of Lahaina. This historic whaling town was once the busiest seaport in Hawaii. Lahaina is now bustling with shops on Front Street, and is also a favorite stop for cruise ship passengers to stop and take a whale watching tour. South Maui is where you’ll find the sunniest and driest weather. Head to South Maui for one of several beaches stretched over six miles. From this southern vantage point, you can see the small island of Molokini, a perfect spot for snorklers and divers.



fact: Mount Kilauea produces up to 650,000 cubic yards of lava per day, enough to resurface a 20-mile long, two lane road daily.

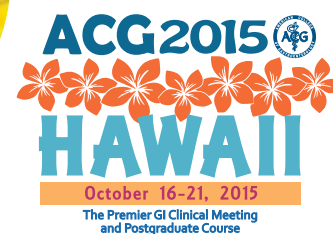


Hawaii

Also referred to as the Big Island, the island of Hawaii is the largest of all the Hawaiian islands, almost twice the size of all the other islands combined. Home to one of the most active volcanoes in the world, Kilauea, visitors to the Big Island can explore Hawaii's Volcanoes National Park. If you visit the park, don't remove any lava rocks. While it might upset Pele, the volcano goddess, it's also a violation of Federal law to remove any lava rocks. You can hike around the park on the lava rocks, but stay clear of any flowing lava. To plant your toes on softer ground, visit Punaluu Black Sand Beach, which got its black color from the constant volcano eruptions. You can also explore the rain forests and numerous waterfalls on the Hamakua Coast, freezing temperatures on the summit of Mauna Kea, as well as resorts and great beaches on the Kohala Coast. Hilo is considered "old Hawaii," while Kailua-Kona is a quaint seaside town with a number of restaurants and shops, plus several historic buildings. Other regions of the Big Island include Kau, Kona, Puna and Waimea.



Referred to as the “Garden Isle,” Kauai is the northernmost island in the Hawaiian archipelago and is also the oldest, with estimates putting the island at more than 5 million years old. With age comes beauty and Kauai delivers. Kauai has been featured in more than 60 featured films, most recently the second movie in the “Hunger Games” series. There are five regions of Kauai: West Side, East Side, Lihue, South Shore and North Shore. On the West Side is Waimea town, as well as the Waimea Canyon, also referred to as the Grand Canyon of the Pacific. On the East Side, you’ll find waterfalls, hiking trails, and a grotto, as well as the Wailua River, the only navigable river in Hawaii, and Kapaa Town for shopping. In the Lihue region, you’ll find the Kauai Museum, the Alekoko Menehune Fishpond, the Wailua Falls, and two former sugar plantations, the Grove Farm Homestead Museum and the Kilohana Estate. On the South Shore is one of the most photographed places on Kauai, Spouting Horn. You’ll also find Koloa Heritage Trail, Poipu Beach Park, and Old Koloa Town. The North Shore is where you will find Hanalei Town, Waioli Mission House and Church, the Daniel K. Inouye Kilauea Point Lighthouse, and the Napali Coast, which can only be accessed by hiking or through a sea or helicopter tour.



fact:

It is believed that the dance, hula, originated on the island of Molokai.

Money can buy you just about anything, including an island. Its long history as an island of pineapple fields changed when the CEO of Oracle, Larry Ellison, bought approximately 98% of the island of Lanai in 2012. There are no traffic stops on the island. Lanai offers two world-class resorts, the Four Seasons Resort Lanai at Manele Bay and the Four Seasons Resort Lanai, The Lodge at Koele. There is also the historic Hotel Lanai which can be found in the only city on Lanai, Lanai City.



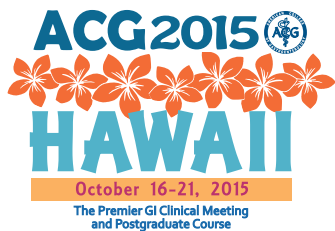
Lanai





Molokai

Molokai is Hawaii unspoiled. There are no traffic lights on Molokai and it is the second least populated island of Hawaii. There are three distinct regions of Molokai: Central, East End and West End. In the Central District is Molokai's main town on the southern coast, Kaunakakai. You'll find numerous historic landmarks as well as Hawaii's longest pier. While in the Central district, you can also fish in one of the numerous fishponds on Molokai. These fish ponds date back as many as 800 years. Or visit the Kalaupapa National Historical Park and take a mule ride down from 1,700 feet to the seaside. The West End features a three-mile long beach, Papohaku Beach, one of the longest beaches in Hawaii, as well as Maunaloa, a small plantation village that features some shopping and accommodations. On the East End is where you'll find the Kamakoa Preserve, a nature conservancy with more than 250 rare Hawaiian plants, and Halawa Valley, where you'll explore nature and numerous waterfalls.



General Information

Pre-Registration

You may pre-register for the ACG Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course, and other half-day and full-day optional programs in one of three ways:

- **Online:** You may register online at ACG's secure website, www.acgmeetings.gi.org.
- **Fax:** You may fax your completed pre-registration form (with credit card information) to ACG at 301-263-9025.
- **Mail:** You may mail your completed pre-registration form to: American College of Gastroenterology, 6400 Goldsboro Road, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20817-5842.

Registration forms will be processed in order of receipt and must be accompanied by payment of the registration fee in full. ***Pre-registration will remain open until Friday, October 9, 2015.*** For those sending registration via U.S. mail, please postmark your registration no later than Monday, September 28, 2015. All registrations received prior to October 9, 2015 will be acknowledged.

On-Site Registration

You may register on-site at the ACG Registration Desk at the Hawaii Convention Center beginning Friday, October 16. Some sessions have limited space available. Pre-registration is strongly recommended.

Cancellation

Written notice of cancellation and requests for refunds must be received by the College's office by September 25, 2015. After this date, no refunds will be possible. Registration cancellations are not accepted by telephone. An explanation must be provided in writing. There will be a \$50 administrative fee assessed for cancellation of any paid event. Refunds will be issued after the meeting.

Meeting Materials

Meeting materials (including name badges and optional event tickets) will be available for pick-up on-site at the ACG Registration Desk beginning on Friday, October 16.

Registrants of the Postgraduate Course and the Annual Scientific Meeting may choose to receive either a printed copy of the meeting syllabus or a PDF of the syllabus on a USB drive. There is a separate charge to purchase both the USB version and the printed version of either syllabus.

Annual Scientific Meeting

There is no registration fee for ACG Members (including FACP and MACG), Residents/Trainee/Candidate Members, NP/PA Members and Allied Health Members. In addition, Non-Member Residents/Trainees will have their registration fee waived if they provide a letter from their Program Director indicating they are currently in training. Guests/Non-Member Physicians/Non-Member PharmDs/Exhibitors are required to submit a registration fee. Non-Member Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Allied Health Professionals and Practice Managers are also required to submit a registration fee. Tickets for the optional breakfast sessions on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday may be purchased for an additional charge by indicating your preference on the registration form. All registrants of the Annual Scientific Meeting may choose to receive a printed copy of the meeting syllabus or a USB drive, which includes a PDF of the syllabus.

Annual Postgraduate Course

All registrants will receive a separate printed Self-Assessment Test and may choose to purchase the Online Self-Assessment Test when it becomes available in September 2015. Members receive special discount pricing. The Postgraduate Course again offers registrants the opportunity to participate in the optional Learning Luncheon programs. Participation will be by pre-registration only. There is a separate charge for the Learning Luncheons. There are a limited number of participants who may attend each Learning Luncheon. Because participation is limited in each session, you will need to provide your top five Learning Luncheon choices when completing your pre-registration form. Registration forms will be processed in order of receipt and must be accompanied by payment of the registration fee in full. All registrants of the Postgraduate Course may choose to receive the printed syllabus or a USB drive, which includes a PDF of the syllabus.

Optional Courses, Friday, October 16

Optional Friday courses to be offered at ACG 2015 include:

- GI Pathophysiology Course
- What's New in GI Pharmacology Course
- Practice Management Course
- Recertification Preparation and Update Course

In addition, the ASGE will offer a one-day Postgraduate course. Separate registration fees apply for all optional Friday courses.

Accreditation

The American College of Gastroenterology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit information is listed within individual course descriptions.

The ACG Store

Postgraduate Course and Annual Meeting syllabi, as well as other educational materials, will be available for purchase at the ACG Store. ACG logo items, such as jackets, golf shirts, t-shirts, and mugs will also be available. The ACG Store will be open Friday through Wednesday, and hours can be found on pages 3 and 4.

On-site Child Care

Information will be available soon. Continue to visit the ACG website for details at www.acgmeetings.gi.org.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Attendees of ACG 2015 who need additional reasonable accommodations or have special needs should contact the ACG office no later than September 25, 2015.

**ACG 2015 pre-registration deadline
Friday, October 9, 2015**

register online at
www.acgmeetings.gi.org

Travel to ACG 2015 from dozens of U.S. and international cities

Those attending ACG 2015 will fly into Honolulu International Airport. The largest airport in the state of Hawaii, it's located in Honolulu approximately 8 miles from downtown. The airport is served by 27 international and domestic carriers, three inter-island airlines and four commuter airlines. There are daily departures from Honolulu to the following U.S. destinations: Anchorage, Atlanta, Bellingham, Chicago, Dallas-Ft. Worth, Denver, Houston, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, Seattle-Tacoma, and the U.S. territory, Guam. Daily departures to international destinations include Brisbane, Calgary, Haneda, Incheon, Kansai, Seoul, Sydney and Vancouver. Want to take a trip to another island after the meeting? You can fly to all of the Hawaiian islands from Honolulu.

For more information on travel discounts (airline and rental car), visit the ACG website, www.acgmeetings.gi.org.

ACG 2015 Hotel Options

Plan to arrive before the meeting and stay a few days after to explore Oahu and the other islands of Hawaii. ACG 2015 meeting hotels are offering their discount meeting rates three days before and after the meeting. Invite your family and friends to join you at ACG 2015. Housing is now open through the ACG Housing Bureau. Booking through the housing bureau ensures you will receive the special meeting rates and amenities ACG has negotiated with area hotels. Booking your room online is the easiest and fastest way to confirm your reservation in Honolulu.

If you require a hard copy of the housing booking form, please call 1-888-863-7817. Leave your name, fax number and/or email address, and phone number, and a form will be sent to you within 48 hours.

Hotel rates listed below do not include tax which is currently 13.962%. Other fees or service charges may apply. Please check with the individual hotel.

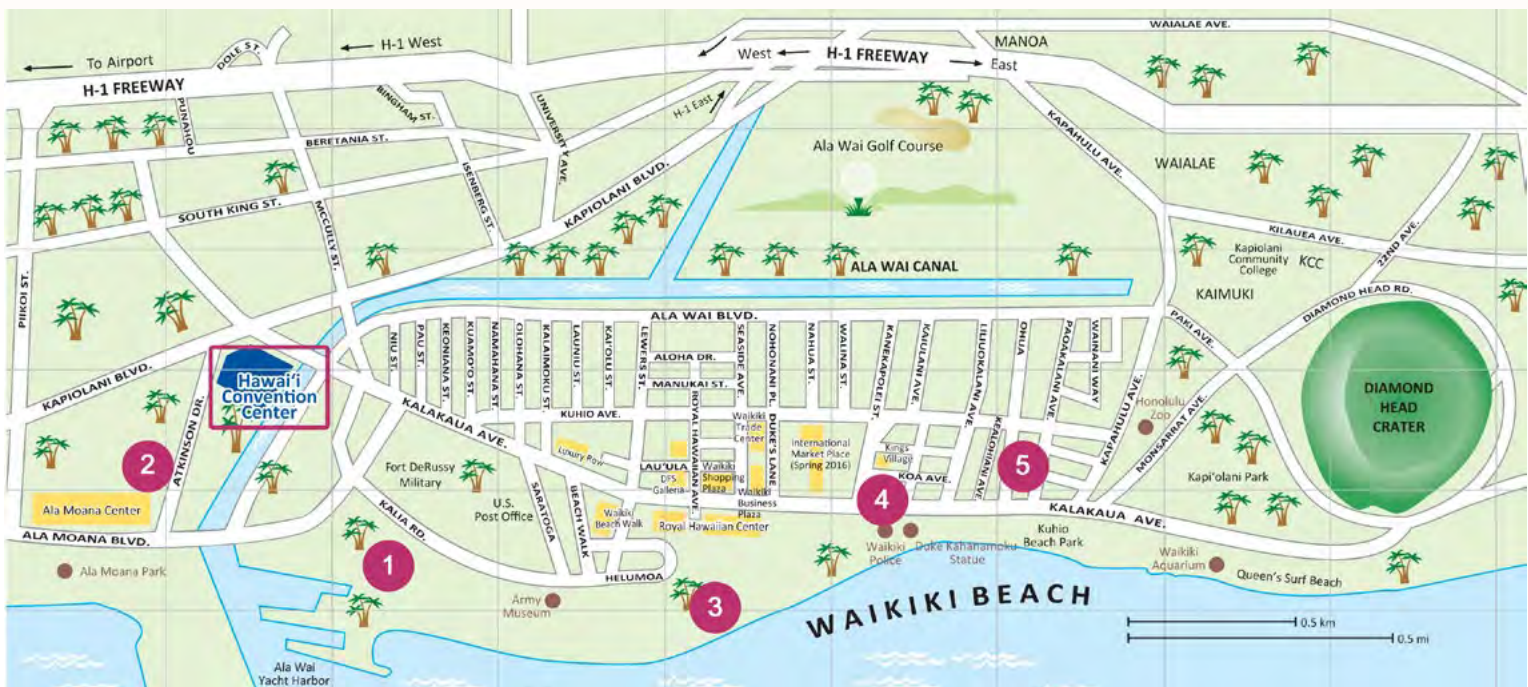
map #	HOTEL	ROOM RATE
1	Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort (HEADQUARTERS HOTEL) 2005 Kalia Road <i>Room rate includes resort fee plus complimentary guest room internet access and more. See the complete list of amenities included with the resort fee online.</i>	Resort View - \$249 Ocean View - \$289 Rainbow Ocean View - \$308 Run of Ali'i Tower - \$343
2	Ala Moana Hotel 410 Atkinson Drive <i>Complimentary guest room internet and access to fitness center</i>	\$188
3	Sheraton Waikiki 2255 Kalakaua Avenue <i>Complimentary guest room internet</i>	\$260
4	Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa 2424 Kalakaua Avenue	\$253
5	Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort and Spa 2552 Kalakaua Avenue <i>Complimentary guest room internet</i>	\$239

For a direct link to book your hotel room online, visit the official ACG Housing Bureau website at

<http://acg.registration.meetingsites.net>

The passcode for meeting attendees is **2015**.

The deadline for hotel reservations is September 23, 2015.



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Step 1 • Contact Information

Provide your contact information (including email address) on the Registration Form.

Step 2 • Course Selections

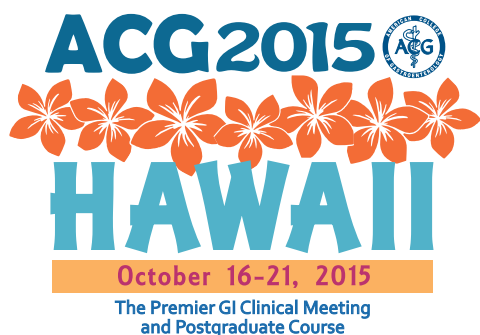
To register, choose one of the educational programs under your corresponding registration category. You may also select one or more of the optional programs offered on Friday, October 16. Please circle the Friday Program(s) you would like to attend.

Note: If you select the 3-day Clinical Review, you do not need to register for the GI Pathophysiology Course or the What's New in GI Pharmacology Course.

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Pre-registration deadline:
Friday, October 9, 2015

For those sending registration via U.S. mail, please postmark your registration no later than Monday, September 28, 2015.



Step 3 • Optional Learning Luncheons and Breakfast Sessions

If you've selected the Postgraduate Course, you have the option of attending up to two of the 24 Postgraduate Course Learning Luncheons (one each day) to be offered. The cost is \$75 each. Learning Luncheons are offered on Saturday and Sunday, October 17 and 18. You may choose one Learning Luncheon each day. Learning Luncheons are optional. Since Learning Luncheons fill up fast, please indicate your top five choices for each day by numbering them 1-5. We will make every effort to accommodate your top choice.

If you signed up for the Annual Scientific Meeting, you have the option of attending up to three of the 16 Annual Scientific Meeting Breakfast Sessions offered on Monday, October 19, Tuesday, October 20, and Wednesday, October 21. The cost is \$60 each. A syllabus on USB containing all ACG 2015 Breakfast Session handouts will be provided to attendees registered for any Breakfast Session. You may choose one Breakfast Session each day. Breakfast Sessions are optional. Since Breakfast Sessions fill up fast, please indicate your top five choices for each day by numbering them 1-5. We will make every effort to accommodate your top choice.

Step 4 • Additional Offerings

ACG offers additional programs or materials to certain attendees.

- Fellows-in-training may sign up for the Trainees luncheon on Sunday, October 18. The cost is \$35. This event is available only to GI fellows-in-training.

Step 5 • Payment

Registration selections are now complete. If you choose to mail or fax the registration form, please complete the payment information on the form and sign the form.



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Please complete sections 1-5.
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ADA Compliance: Attendees of the ACG Annual Meeting who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs should contact the ACG office at 301-263-9000 no later than September 25.

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name				Last Name											
MUST circle all that apply: MD* DO* PhD PA NP RN LPN PharmD Other												*Please enter your 10-digit NPI number (required if U.S. physician) Look up your NPI number at npinumberlookup.org .			
Mailing Address ☐ Home address ☐ Work address															
City				State/Province				Zip/Postal Code				Country			
Phone								Fax							
Email (required for meeting confirmation)												Spouse/Guest name, only if attending meeting			

2. REGISTRATION FEES

- ☐ I am currently an ACG member.
- ☐ My application* for membership is attached. I have registered below at the member rates. (For membership information or to download a membership application, visit www.gi.org.)
- *Registration will not be processed without membership application.

I am an ACG 2015 presenter: ☐ oral paper ☐ poster

Circle fee(s) based on attendee type	ACG MEMBERS			NON-MEMBERS			
	ACG Member (includes FAGG and MACG)	PA/NP/Allied Health Member of ACG	Physician/Exhibitor/Guest/Resident/Trainee ^b (e.g. RN, LPN)	Resident/Trainee ^b (must attach letter from PD verifying status)	PA/NP/Allied Health Personnel (e.g. RN, LPN)	Practice Manager	
PG Course ^a and Annual Meeting, Oct. 17-21	\$425	\$0	\$275	\$750	\$200	\$575	\$575
PG Course Only ^a , Oct. 17-18	\$425	\$0	\$275	\$550	\$200	\$500	\$500
Annual Meeting Only, Oct. 19-21	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$0	\$150	\$150
3-day Clinical Review, Oct. 16-18, includes PG Course ^a , GI Pathophysiology, and GI Pharmacology	\$600	\$200	\$450	\$750	\$425	\$725	\$725
3-day Clinical Review ^a PLUS Annual Meeting, Oct. 16-21	\$600	\$200	\$450	\$850	\$425	\$800	\$800
Optional Friday Programs, October 16							
GI Pathophysiology; half-day/am (included in 3-Day Clinical)	\$200	\$160	\$175	\$225	\$225	\$225	\$225
GI Pharmacology; half-day/pm (included in 3-Day Clinical)	\$200	\$160	\$175	\$225	\$225	\$225	\$225
Practice Management; full day	\$275	\$0	\$200	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300
GI Recertification; half-day/pm (includes 10-point SAPMOC)	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$175	\$175	\$175	\$175
ASGE Postgraduate Course; full day	\$395	\$200	\$200	\$495	\$250	\$250	\$250

^a Includes 10-point PG+MOC module.

^b Resident/Trainee non-member registrations will not be processed without a letter from the Program Director verifying status.

Postgraduate Course attendees

Please indicate Syllabus preference.

- ☐ Print version only FREE
- ☐ USB drive only FREE
- ☐ Print and USB \$30

Annual Scientific Meeting attendees

Please indicate Syllabus preference.

- ☐ Print version only FREE
- ☐ USB drive only FREE
- ☐ Print and USB \$30

3. OPTIONAL SESSIONS

LEARNING LUNCHEONS *No refunds after September 25, 2015.*

☐ **\$75 – Saturday Learning Lunch** — PG COURSE REGISTRANTS ONLY
11:55am – 1:10pm, October 17, 2015

Select top 5 choices and number them 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5.

☐	Rectal Problems: Roids, Fissures, Tags, Dysfunction	LL1
☐	Refractory IBD Patient	LL2
☐	Current Indications and Use for EUS in 2015	LL3
☐	Diverticular Disease—Another Chronic Colitis?	LL4
☐	Ugh! Liver Disease in Pregnancy	LL5
☐	Incorporate Quality Initiatives Into Your Practice	LL6
☐	Esophageal Function Testing in Practice	LL7
☐	Practical Pearls in the Care of the IBD Patient	LL8
☐	Liver Lesions: Evaluation and Management	LL9
☐	Flat, Large Colon Polyp Diagnosis, Management	LL10
☐	Luminal Neuroendocrine Tumors	LL11
☐	EMR, ESD and Advanced Polypectomy	LL12

☐ **\$75 – Sunday Learning Lunch** — PG COURSE REGISTRANTS ONLY
12:20pm – 1:35pm, October 18, 2015

Select top 5 choices and number them 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5.

☐	Non-Achalasia Esophageal Motility Disorders	LL13
☐	Decision Making in Hereditary Colon Cancer	LL14
☐	Managing IBD Through Childbearing Years	LL15
☐	Screening Your IBD Patient for Colon Cancer	LL16
☐	Impact of Public Policy Changes on the GI Practice	LL17
☐	Management of Ascities and Fluid Overload	LL18
☐	Capsule Endoscopy: What Is On the Horizon?	LL19
☐	Management of Fecal Incontinence	LL20
☐	Endoscopic Approaches to Perfs, Fistulas, Leaks	LL21
☐	Pelvic Floor Dysfunction	LL22
☐	How Can I Increase My Adenoma Detection Rate?	LL23
☐	Managing Benign, Malignant Biliary Strictures	LL24

BREAKFAST SESSIONS *No refunds after September 25, 2015.*

☐ **\$60 – Monday Breakfast** — ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRANTS ONLY
6:00am – 7:00am, October 19, 2015

Select top 4 choices and number them 1, 2, 3 or 4.

☐	Not All Colitis Is Created Equal	MONA
☐	What the GI Needs to Know About Surgery for IBD	MONB
☐	Bariatric Endoscopy	MONC
☐	Applying the Gut Microbiome to Your Practice	MOND

☐ **\$60 – Tuesday Breakfast** — ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRANTS ONLY
6:00am – 7:00am, October 20, 2015

Select top 5 choices and number them 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5.

☐	Anorectal Disorders	TUEE
☐	Large, Flat or Hiding: Know Your Enemy	TUEF
☐	Gastroenterology and the Law	TUEG
☐	Complex Cases in Pancreatology	TUEH
☐	Complementary and Alternative Therapies	TUEI
☐	Practical Approach to the Liver Zebras	TUEJ
☐	Celiac Disease: What Is New on the Horizon?	TUEK
☐	The Ever-changing Waves of Esophageal Motility	TUEL

☐ **\$60 – Wednesday Breakfast** — ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRANTS ONLY
6:00am – 7:00am, October 21, 2015

Select top 4 choices and number them 1, 2, 3 or 4.

☐	Controversial Debates in Endoscopy	WEDM
☐	Small Bowel, Large Problem	WEDN
☐	What Your IBD Patient Really Wants to Know	WEDO
☐	Hepatitis B: The Forgotten Virus	WEDP

NOTE: While space is limited for the Learning Luncheons and the Breakfast Sessions, we will make every effort to accommodate your top choice. Register early for best selection.

4. ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS

☐ **\$35 – Trainees Luncheon**
12:20pm – 1:35pm, October 19, 2015
You may not register for a Sunday Learning Luncheon if you register for the Trainees Luncheon. See page 23 for details.
No refunds after September 25, 2015.

I am registering for a breakfast and/or lunch, and require a:

- ☐ Vegetarian meal
☐ Kosher meal
☐ Gluten free meal

5. PAYMENT

- ☐ Pay by check. Make checks payable in U.S. funds to ACG.
☐ Pay by credit card: ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ AMEX

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ACG 2015 Exhibit Hall

The science and technology of medicine is ever-changing and advancing the practice of gastroenterology. Showcasing these latest advances in technology and therapeutics is the ACG 2015 Exhibit Hall, where more than 150 companies will display and demonstrate their products and services. With the variety of exhibitors expected to participate, there will certainly be displays that will interest every attendee. Companies who exhibit include pharmaceutical manufacturers, medical instrument suppliers, research companies, technology companies, publishers, non-profit organizations, recruiters and many others.



Immediately following the conclusion of the Postgraduate Course on Sunday, join colleagues for the ACG 2015 Opening Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall from 3:15 pm – 5:00 pm. The Reception will feature hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. This casual social gathering will give all attendees the opportunity to explore the Hall, meet with exhibitors, and network and mingle with fellow professionals.

EXHIBIT HALL HOURS

Sunday, October 18..... 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Opening Welcome Reception 3:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Monday, October 19.....9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Tuesday, October 20.....9:00 am – 4:00 pm

ACG 2014 Exhibitors included the following:

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DRG Laboratory
EndoChoice
Endogastric Solutions
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ERBE USA, Inc.
Exact Sciences
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Exhibit Hall Floor Plan





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