

INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

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OBJECTIVES

To evaluate innovation and technology needs in the field of gastroenterology and hepatology for our members.

The Innovation and Technology Committee in 2025 is under the leadership of Chair, Vladimir Kushnir, MD, FACG. The committee roster is comprised of liaisons from related ACG committees, to align work and avoid duplicative projects. There are other members of the committee with specific expertise in GI technology.

COMMITTEE REPORT

'Best of ACG 2024 Abstracts' Virtual Grand Rounds

In March, committee members developed and presented an ACG VGR, reviewing innovative abstracts from the ACG 2024 annual meeting. Presenters included Neal Mehta, MD on advanced endoscopy, Daniel Guerrero Vinsard, MD on AI, Eka Gupta, MD on general GI, and Sangeeta Agrawal on liver.

Innovation & Technology Podcast Series: "Brains and Guts" Season 2

The Innovation & Technology Committee continues to release episodes of its GI innovation podcast, "Brains & Guts". The podcast is hosted on an ongoing basis by Toufic Kachaamy, MD, FACG and Vladimir Kushnir, MD, FACG (Committee Chair), with committee members contributing to guest and topic selection, question development, and more.

This year, the season will address the impact of artificial intelligence in gastroenterology. As of this writing, episodes have featured Aasma Shaukat, MD, MPH on the leadership perspective and future opportunities; Rajesh Keswani, MD on improving endoscopy quality; and Brennan Spiegel, MD, FACG on ethical considerations. More episodes will be released throughout the year.

Planning for 2025 Annual Meeting Activities

The committee is in the early stages of planning activities for this year's annual scientific meeting, likely to be similar to the two events from 2024 – the Joint Committee Workshop with the FDA-Related Matters Committee, and an innovation booth tour and cocktail reception.

The committee also hosted its inaugural industry booth walking tour at ACG 2024, with the goal of learning about the latest technology at ACG 2024 and cultivating new relationships between industry partners and committee members. The committee expects a similar experience for 2025.