ACG’S HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL
& MIDWEST REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE

AUGUST 21-23, 2020 | HILTON ST. LOUIS AT THE BALLPARK
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MIDWEST REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE
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JOIN COLLEAGUES IN ST. LOUIS FOR ACG’S 1-DAY HEPATOLOGY SCHOOL AND WEEKEND MIDWEST REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE COURSE

ACG’s Hepatology School, to be held on Friday, August 21, is a day-long interactive program that provides comprehensive education for GI clinicians in the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of liver disease states. This program is designed to better enable clinical gastroenterologists and their advanced practice provider colleagues to triage, treat, and refer patients more efficiently.

Led by Course Directors Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACG, and Mark E. Mailliard, MD, FACG, the Midwest Regional Postgraduate Course, offered on Saturday and Sunday, August 22-23, will focus on areas such as IBD, colon, liver, pancreaticobiliary, small bowel, stomach and esophagus, and hepatology. Hands-on sessions will also be offered on Saturday afternoon.

Both programs will take place at the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark. This vibrant hotel next to Busch Stadium is located in the heart of downtown, only 20 minutes from Lambert-St. Louis International Airport, and steps from the iconic Gateway Arch. Experience amazing infield views from your guest room and enjoy numerous sports, dining, and entertainment options at Ballpark Village.
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Midwest Regional Postgraduate Course
The field of gastroenterology continues to experience an introduction of novel diagnostic techniques and therapeutic options affecting numerous areas of GI disease management and patient care. This program explores those areas which the gastroenterologist often faces in clinical practice, and addresses management updates in a variety of gastrointestinal and hepatic areas. During this course, multiple topics will be covered including optimizing biological therapy in IBD, challenging colon polyps, advances in IBS-D, screening, and surveillance of pancreatic cysts, elective and emergent management of perioperative coagulation, gastroparesis and functional dyspepsia, new strategies for treating NAFLD, and a special presentation on ACG Governors and you. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations delivered by expert faculty, breakout sessions, and significant question and answer opportunities. Non-CME hands-on sessions will also be offered.

This program is designed for gastroenterologists, gastroenterology trainees, primary care physicians, nurses, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and other members of the healthcare team, and other members of the healthcare team interested in the latest information on diagnostic GI and liver diseases and state-of-the-art treatment of these illnesses.

ACG’s Hepatology School
Building on the success of ACG’s prior Hepatitis Schools, this program provides comprehensive education for GI clinicians in the diagnosis and treatment of many other frequently diagnosed liver disease states. The program content is tailored to reflect the rapid changes in treatment options and national trends meeting the standard of care. After completing ACG’s Hepatology School, attendees will be able to summarize the current management options for HCV and HBV infections and understand the timeline of new drug development for their treatment. Participating in this educational activity will also enable learners to analyze the challenges of treating patients with NAFLD, cirrhosis, hepatic encephalopathy, hepatocellular carcinoma, alcoholic liver disease, primary biliary cholangitis, and drug-induced liver injury. The structure of the program includes a mix of didactic presentations and case-based presentations delivered by expert faculty.

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COURSE DIRECTORS:
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG, Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG, and Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2020
7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00 am Welcome and Introduction
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG

SESSION 1: CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE
8:10 am Assessing and Treating HBV
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG
Identify the various phases of HBV and how to identify which patients should be considered for treatment, including patients who are pregnant or have cirrhosis.

8:30 am Assessing and Treating HCV in Special Situations
Ira M. Jacobson, MD, FACG
Review important issues regarding assessment and treatment options for patients with cirrhosis, chronic renal failure, acute HCV, and use of HCV + donors for transplantation.

8:50 am Assessing and Selecting Patients With Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease for Treatment
Catherine T. Frenette, MD
Explain the natural history of NAFLD, testing to identify patients for treatment, and recently approved treatments for NASH.

9:10 am Recognizing and Managing Alcoholic Liver Disease
Mark W. Russo, MD, MPH, FACG
Discuss how alcohol can damage the liver, who is at risk, and treatment options for severe alcohol-induced liver injury.

9:30 am Q & A

9:50 am Break

SESSION 2: LESS COMMON CAUSES OF CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE
10:05 am Autoimmune Hepatitis and the Impact of Autoimmune Diseases on the Liver
Paul Y. Kwo, MD, FACG
Review the natural history of autoimmune hepatitis, diagnostic criteria, and treatment options for patients who are refractory or intolerant to standard immune suppression.

10:25 am Primary Biliary Cirrhosis, Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis, and Other Cholestatic Liver Disorders
David E. Bernstein, MD, FACG
Identify the causes and diagnostic evaluation of cholestasis, the natural history and treatment of PBC, PSC, and other cholestatic disorders.

10:45 am Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency and Wilson’s Disease
Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG
Explain the genetics of these two liver disorders, who is at risk to develop liver injury, and treatment options.

11:05 am Assessing Fibrosis in Patients With Chronic Liver Disease
Ira M. Jacobson, MD, FACG
Review various diagnostic tests which can be utilized to assess fibrosis in patients with chronic liver disease.

11:25 am Q & A
11:45 am Break

12:00 pm Lunch With the Faculty and Case Presentations / Q & A
Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACG

SESSION 3: COMPLICATIONS OF ACUTE AND CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE
1:20 pm Assessing and Preventing Frailty in Patients With Cirrhosis
Sonali Paul, MD, MS
Discuss why patients with cirrhosis become frail, how this impacts mortality, the ability to undergo liver transplantation, and ways to prevent patients with cirrhosis from becoming frail.
Included with your registration is complimentary access to the course presentations via the ACG Mobile App. The app can be used to view faculty presentations on tablets, mobile devices, and laptops. Attendees will be able to take notes and highlight key points on the presentation slides at the event, and can continue reviewing them after the course. PDFs of the presentations can be downloaded directly from the app or can be printed from the website version of the app. Pre-registrants will receive access to the app prior to the course to view, download, or print the presentation slides. (NOTE: A printed syllabus will not be provided.)
COURSE DIRECTORS:
Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACG, and Mark E. Mailliard, MD, FACG

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2020
7:00 am  Registration and Continental Breakfast / Visit the Exhibit Hall
8:00 am  Welcome Remarks and Announcements
   Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACG, and Mark E. Mailliard, MD, FACG

SESSION 1: INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASES
Moderator: Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACG
8:10 am  How Can We Position New Therapies for Treating Crohn’s Disease and Ulcerative Colitis?
   David T. Rubin, MD, FACG
   Describe the benefits and pitfalls regarding the latest therapeutic options in patients with IBD.

8:30 am  Optimizing Biological Therapy in IBD: What’s the Target and How Do We Reach It?
   Millie D. Long, MD, MPH, FACG
   Identify the appropriate treatment targets for IBD and evaluate the role of therapeutic drug monitoring in achieving these targets.

8:50 am  Complementary and Alternative Medicine in IBD
   Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACG
   Summarize the evidence for popular alternative IBD therapies including medical marijuana, herbal remedies, and probiotics.

9:10 am  Panel Discussion / Q & A
SESSION 2: COLON CANCER SCREENING  
Moderator: Uri Ladabaum, MD, MS

9:25 am Update on Colon Cancer Screening: New Guidelines  
Aasma Shaukat, MD, MPH, FACG  
Summarize the latest guidelines on the endoscopic and non-endoscopic modalities in colon cancer screening.

9:45 am How to Optimize Quality in Screening Colonoscopies  
Uri Ladabaum, MD, MS  
Demonstrate practical techniques to enhance screening colonoscopies.

10:05 am Challenging Colon Polyps: Pathology, Size, and Company  
Seth D. Crockett, MD  
Identify difficult colon polyp scenarios and review the options in management.

10:25 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

10:40 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

SESSION 3: FUNCTIONAL LOWER GI DISORDERS  
Moderator: Eamonn M. M. Quigley, MD, MACG

11:00 am What’s Up With All This Pain and Constipation?  
Eamonn M. M. Quigley, MD, MACG  
Identify diagnostic and therapeutic approaches to patients with IBS-Constipation.

11:20 am Advances in IBS-D  
Brooks D. Cash, MD, FACG  
Describe new therapeutics and treatment approaches for Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Diarrhea.

11:40 am Advances in Pelvic Floor Dysfunction  
Satish S.C. Rao, MD, PhD, FACG  
Discuss the clinical evaluation and management of pelvic floor dysfunction.

12:00 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

12:15 pm Working Luncheon Presentation

12:35 pm Looking Through the Crystal Ball: Gastroenterology From 2020 to 2030  
Irving M. Pike, MD, FACG, and Dayna S. Early, MD, FACG  
Evaluate two different views of our future: One from the sky and one from the scope.

1:05 pm ACG Governors and You  
Dayna S. Early, MD, FACG  
Examine how the ACG Governors help to address important issues facing gastroenterologists and organized medicine, and support the evolving needs of clinicians.

SESSION 4: PANCREATO-HEPATOBILIARY DISEASES  
Moderator: Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG

1:25 pm From Acute to Necrotizing Pancreatitis: The First 72 Hours and Beyond  
Timothy B. Gardner, MD, MS, FACG  
Describe the evolution of management strategies for treating acute pancreatitis that develops into necrotizing pancreatitis.

1:45 pm Management of Chronic Pancreatitis in 2020  
Douglas G. Adler, MD, FACG  
Propose comprehensive endoscopic and non-endoscopic management strategies for chronic pancreatitis.

2:05 pm From Pancreatic Cysts to Pancreatic Cancer: Screening and Surveillance  
Randall E. Brand, MD, FACG  
Identify and discuss methods in diagnosing and managing pancreatic cysts and cancer.

2:25 pm Panel Discussion / Q & A

2:40 pm Break - Dessert in the Exhibit Hall
SATURDAY AFTERNOON GENERAL SESSIONS / HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS:
*Hands-on workshops do not offer CME.

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS
Attendees have the opportunity to participate in the Hands-On Workshops at no additional charge. These sessions focus on specific endoscopic procedures and offer participants a chance to gain tactile experience using a variety of tools and techniques. Faculty will demonstrate a device and/or technique, and attendees will have the opportunity to practice. While the hands-on workshop sessions do not offer CME, they are a valuable learning experience, and give attendees the chance to interact with the experts. Hands-on workshops will be concurrent with the general sessions on Saturday afternoon. There are limited spaces available. Registrants are able to select their top choice of station and time. Attendees can join additional workshops by picking up tickets at the registration desk on-site, if available.

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP SESSIONS
REGIONAL COURSE WORKSHOP DIRECTORS:
Laith H. Jamil, MD, FACP, and Lauren G. Khanna, MD, MS

6 hands-on stations will be offered. The stations are:
- EMR / ESD
- Mucosal Ablation: RFA
- Hemorrhoid Banding
- ERCP
- Hemostasis
- Foreign Body Removal

3:00 pm  Elective and Emergent Management of Perioperative Anticoagulation
Prabhleen Chahal, MD, FACP
Analyze strategies to enhance outcomes in both elective and urgent endoscopy in the anticoagulated patient.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

3:50 pm  Practical Pearls From a Psychologist and Dietitian for Treating IBS and IBD
Gabriela Gardner, RDN-AP, LD, CNSC; Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACP; and Megan E. Riehl, PsyD
Demonstrate behavioral and dietary treatment strategies that gastroenterologists can implement in everyday practice.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

4:40 pm  Pearls and Pitfalls of Managing IBD in Special Populations
Moderator: Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACP
Panelists: Millie D. Long, MD, FACP, and David T. Rubin, MD, FACP
Discuss IBD diagnostic and treatment considerations in special populations.
OR Hands-on Workshop Session*

5:25 pm  Course Adjourns for the Day

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020

7:00 am Continental Breakfast / Visit the Exhibit Hall

7:55 am Welcome and Announcements
   Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACP, and Mark E. Mailliard, MD, FACP

SESSION 5: ESOPHAGUS, STOMACH, AND SMALL BOWEL
Moderator: Stuart J. Spechler, MD, FACP

8:00 am Everything GERD and PPI: Why, When, Whom, How to Stop PPIs, and When to Go for Surgery
   Stuart J. Spechler, MD, FACP
   Appraise current evidence surrounding the indications and implications of long-term PPI use in GERD patients.

8:20 am Dysphagia: A Practical Algorithm
   Katarina B. Greer, MD
   Differentiate and manage mechanical (eosinophilic esophagitis, esophageal strictures) and motility disorders in patients presenting with dysphagia.

8:40 am Gastroparesis and Functional Dyspepsia
   Linda Anh B. Nguyen, MD
   Compare and contrast the diagnosis and treatment of gastroparesis and functional dyspepsia including the treatment of H. pylori.

9:00 am The Black Box Beyond the Pylorus
   Sarah K. McGill, MD, MS
   Identify and treat small bowel diseases and malabsorption syndromes.

9:20 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

9:20 am Refreshment Break / Visit the Exhibit Hall

SESSION 6: HEPATOLOGY
Moderator: Mark E. Mailliard, MD, FACP

10:00 am Hepatitis C: Eradication and Elimination
   Mitchell L. Shiffman, MD, FACP
   Review current therapeutics, successes, and problems in HCV therapy and global elimination.

10:20 am NAFLD: New Strategies and Therapies
   Brent A. Tetri, MD, FACP
   Summarize the diagnostic approach and and management of NAFLD in 2020.

10:40 am Cirrhotic Portal Hypertension: Enhancing Outcomes
   Jasmohan S. Bajaj, MD, MSc, FACP
   Describe the management of decompensated portal hypertension and steps in preparing for transplantation.

11:00 am Panel Discussion / Q & A

11:20 am Course Wrap-Up and Take-Away Points
   Edith Y. Ho, MD, MS, FACP, and Mark E. Mailliard, MD, FACP

11:35 am Course Adjourns
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

There are separate registration fees for ACG’s Hepatology School and the Midwest Regional Postgraduate Course. The registration fee for each course includes admission to all sessions, continental breakfasts, lunch on Friday for ACG’s Hepatology School attendees, lunch on Saturday for Midwest Regional Postgraduate Course attendees, and refreshment breaks. All registrants must pay the full registration fee; partial registration is not available.

A full refund of registration fees will be given, minus a $25 administrative fee, if written notice of cancellation is received by ACG by **July 21, 2020**. No refunds will be given after this date. Attendees must register online at meetings.gi.org.

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

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Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 8.5 MOC points in the ABIM’s MOC program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider’s responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

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ACCOMMODATIONS
Both programs will take place at the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark in the heart of downtown St. Louis. The Hilton is located steps away from Busch Stadium and the famous Gateway Arch in addition to a number of unique restaurants and shops. Other area attractions include the St. Louis Art Museum, Missouri Botanical Gardens, and Anheuser-Busch Brewery Tours.

To make your hotel reservation, you may book online at http://bit.ly/3a2Yx52 or call the Hilton directly at 1-877-845-7354 or 314-421-1776. Special meeting room rates per night are $165 for single/double plus tax. Valet parking is available at a discounted rate of $30 per day plus tax; self-parking is $20 per day plus tax. Complimentary in-room internet and fitness center access will be provided for ACG course attendees. All major credit cards are accepted.

Reservations must be made before July 21, 2020, in order to receive the special meeting rate. Only a certain number of rooms are available at this rate and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Once ACG’s room block is sold out, the hotel may charge a higher rate for any additional rooms made available. All reservations require a deposit of one night’s room and tax upon reservation.

Cancellations made within 24 hours of check-in will be charged one night’s room and tax. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. Check-out time is 11:00 a.m. The Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark is located at One South Broadway at Market Street, St. Louis, MO.

MORE INFORMATION
For more information about these programs, contact ACG at education@gi.org.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Attendees of these ACG programs who need additional reasonable accommodations or who have special needs (please indicate any dietary needs on the registration form) should contact the ACG office at registration@gi.org no later than July 21, 2020.

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