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Welcome to CDDW™ 2017!

The Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG) and the Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver (CASL) are excited to welcome you to Canadian Digestive Diseases Week™ (CDDW™) 2017 in beautiful Banff, Alberta!

CDDW™ is Canada’s premier education, research, and networking event for the field of gastroenterology and hepatology. Please visit our over 40 exhibitors showcasing their latest products, services and educational materials. Don’t forget to purchase your gala ticket for the Sunday Medieval in the Mountains themed party!

NEW for CDDW™ 2017...

• Hands-on Skills and Techniques: Six practical and highly interactive training stations: Banding, Clipping, Upper GI Hemostasis, Stent Insertion, Capsule Reading and Skills Enhancement for Endoscopy© (SEE©).

• A Section 3 credit option has been added for the Rapid Fire Journal Review Session on Monday March 6 from 10h45 to 12h15.

• e-Learning Lounge – Relax on comfy couches and use an iPad to view any of 33 American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) videos and the CAG’s many educational ePortal videos.

• Jobs Center on the CDDW™ app. View and post jobs.

• A handy “Z” card tucked into your lanyard. A map and schedule at-a-glance at your fingertips as well as tickets for events!

• Abstracts on the CDDW™ app.

CDDW™ offers both clinical and basic science sessions, including the trademark sessions noted below.

Richard D. McKenna Memorial Lecture
Named after the founder of the Association, this prestigious lecture features an international leader in the area. Dr. Sheila Crowe, University of California, San Diego will speak on The Growing Problem of Food Allergies and Intolerances.

Postgraduate Course: Advances in Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Intended to quickly bring clinicians up-to-date with short updates on advances in selected areas.

Symposia
Address a variety of timely, basic and clinical science topics.

Breakfast with the Experts & Small Group Sessions
Offers interactive time with leaders in the field in a small group learning format.

Enjoy. Learn. Interact and network; the CDDW™ app now has this functionality! Please remember to complete your evaluations so we can make CDDW™ 2018 an even better educational experience!

Don’t forget to follow us on Twitter and Facebook (@cddwcanada) and use the hashtag #CDDW2017!
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List of videos available:

1. Management of Benign and Malignant Strictures
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Registration

Gastroenterology Residents in Training (GRIT) Program
(invitation only)
Curio Foyer, Mezzanine II
February 28 12h00-21h00
March 1 08h00-19h15
March 2 08h00-18h30

Scholars’ and Research Topics in Gastrointestinal (GI) Disease Programs
(invitation only)
Curio Foyer, Mezzanine II
March 1 08h00-19h15
March 2 08h00-18h30

CDDW™
President’s Foyer - Conference Centre
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Exhibit Hours

Exhibit and Trade Show
Van Horne B&C
March 3 09h30-18h30
March 4 10h30-15h30
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Speaker Ready Room

Please note that all speakers are asked to present themselves at the Speaker Ready Room, N.R. Crump, at least two hours before their presentation.

Speaker Ready Room Hours
March 2 15h00-19h00
March 3-4 07h00-18h00
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March 6 07h30-12h00

NO presentation preparation/loading for plenary sessions will be permitted to take place in rooms Theatre, Van Horne A, or Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman. Breakfast and small group presentations may be loaded in those rooms.

Gala Event: Medieval in the Mountains

Sunday March 5 20h00- Riverview Foyer
Break bread and rejoice with comrades until the casks are empty.

Tickets include: dinner, refreshments and entertainment.

Dress code: Cocktail attire is welcomed but not required.

Tickets: $100.00 CAD, plus tax.
CanMEDS Roles

CanMEDS is a framework that identifies and describes the abilities physicians require to effectively meet the health care needs of the people they serve. These abilities are grouped thematically under seven roles: Medical Expert (the integrating role), Communicator, Collaborator, Leader, Health Advocate, Scholar and Professional. The CDDW™ program will include all CanMEDS roles which will also be identified at the beginning of each session. For more information on these newly revised definitions, visit: http://www.royalcollege.ca/rcsite/canmeds/canmeds-framework-e

Accreditation

CDDW™ is accredited as a group learning activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) (as the conference overall includes at least 25% interactive time). Financial support for sessions, as indicated within the program, is through educational grants.

Live educational activities, occurring in Canada, recognized by the RCPSC as Accredited Group Learning Activities (Section 1) are deemed by the European Union of Medical Specialists eligible for ECMEC credits.

Through an agreement between the RCPSC and the American Medical Association (AMA), physicians may convert RCPSC MOC credits to AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Information on the process to convert RCPSC MOC credit to AMA credit can be found at https://www.ama-assn.org/education/agreement-royal-college-physicians-surgeons-canada

Overall Learning Objectives for CDDW™ 2017

At the end of the conference delegates will be able to:

1. Identify evolving new areas of clinical and basic research in gastroenterology and hepatology.
2. Affirm through evaluation of the evidence that knowledge and management strategies are current.
3. Formulate management strategies for patients with gastrointestinal, including liver, disease.
4. Compare and contrast a wide variety of therapeutic approaches in the care of patients with gastrointestinal, including liver, disease.
5. Recognize the importance of quality measures and patient safety initiatives in clinical and endoscopic practice.
6. Interact with colleagues to foster a community of practice.

These learning objectives also apply to all lectures/poster sessions at CDDW™ 2017 that do not list individual objectives.

CDDW™ 2017 is endorsed by the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG).
FRIDAY, MARCH 3

08h00-09h30
†CAG Symposium: Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and Drug Development: From hurdles to development and reality

Theatre

Learning Objective:
At the end of this session participants should better understand the hurdles leading to the development of new therapies targeting GI diseases.

Co-Chairs: Fernand-Pierre Gendron, Université de Sherbrooke and Simon Hirota, University of Calgary

Targeting Endocytosis: New Treatments for Pain
Nigel Bunnett, Columbia University

Developing a Novel Anti-Inflammatory Drug: Lost (and Found) in translation
John Wallace, University of Calgary

Using T Cells as Drugs in Inflammatory Bowel Disease
Jens Vent-Schmidt, University of British Columbia

Semaphorin3E (Sema3E) regulates intestinal inflammation through the modulation of dendritic cells functions (Abstract 1)
L. Kermarrec1, N. Eissa1, C. N. Bernstein2, J. Ghia3
1Immunology, 2Internal Medicine Section of Gastroenterology, and 3Immunology and Internal Medicine Section of Gastroenterology - University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba

08h00-09h30
CAG/CASL Postgraduate Course: The Decompensated Patient

Van Horne A

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Refine their approach to managing patients with decompensated liver disease;
2. Analyze practical approaches to managing difficult ascites while appreciating the challenges ascites management can pose for the patient and the provider;
3. Identify factors that lead to readmission of cirrhotic patients and promote behaviours that will prevent readmission of cirrhotic patients at the individual and systems level.

Co-Chairs: Mang Ma, University of Alberta and Philip Wong, McGill University

Hard to Treat Ascites: Tips/Tricks
Geoffrey Dusheiko, University College, London

Palliation for End-Stage Liver Disease
Puneeta Tandon, University of Alberta

Prevention of Readmission in Cirrhotic Patients
Anna Lok, University of Michigan

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08h00-09h30  
**Hands-on Skills and Techniques**

*Alhambra*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Appreciate the role of conscious competence in enabling the acquisition and enhancement of endoscopic skills;
2. Understand the relevance of a standardized approach to lesion recognition and characterization in making endoscopic diagnoses;
3. Appreciate the importance of planning and preparation in performing endoscopic interventions safely and effectively.

This practical and highly interactive session will provide hands-on training, using animal parts, for a limited number of delegates as they rotate through two of six possible stations (stations selected by delegates at pre-registration).

**Banding**  
Charles Ménard, Université de Sherbrooke

**Clipping**  
Alaa Rostom, University of Ottawa

**Upper GI Hemostasis**  
Kevin Waschke, McGill University

**Stent Insertion**  
Lawrence Hookey, Queen’s University

**Capsule Reading**  
Robert Enns, University of British Columbia

**Skills Enhancement for Endoscopy©**  
Don MacIntosh, Dalhousie University

Please note that pre-registration is required to gain admittance to Hands-on Skills and Techniques.

09h30-10h00  
**Exhibits & Coffee Break**  
Van Horne B/C & Foyers

10h00-11h30  
**†CAG Selected Clinical Presentations**

*Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Explore innovations in the clinical care of patients with complex gastrointestinal disease.
2. Evaluate new information related to advances in the treatment of gastrointestinal diseases.
3. Recognize new directions in research into the management and care of patients with GI illness.

Co-Chairs: Grigorios Leontiadis, McMaster University and Jill Tinmouth, University of Toronto

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† Session includes oral presentations of key abstracts
Success of enhanced primary care pathways in managing routine GI referrals (Abstract 16)
P. J. Belletti, G. Heather, B. Katho, M. Swain, R. Ward, L. Slocombe, K. P. Rioux
1University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta; 2Alberta Health Services, Calgary, Alberta; 3AHS pan-PCN Working Group, Calgary, Alberta

Improving compliance with colonoscopy surveillance interval guidelines (Abstract 18)
M. Borgaonkar, D. Pace, J. S. McGrath, J. Harding
1Eastern Health, St. John’s, Newfoundland; 2Memorial University, St. John’s, Newfoundland

Developing a competency-based performance metric of colonoscopy skills acquisition using motion analysis - step 1: low-fidelity benchtop model (Abstract 19)
1Hospital for Sick Children and The Wilson Centre, Toronto, Ontario; 2Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario

Predictors of patient reluctance to use split dose bowel preparation for early morning colonoscopies (Abstract 20)
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Randomized prospective study: impact of the patient education website on the quality of outpatient bowel preparation for colonoscopy (Abstract 21)
1Pacific Gastroenterology Associates, Vancouver, British Columbia; 2St. Paul’s Hospital, Vancouver, British Columbia; 3University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia

10h00-11h30
CAG/CASL Postgraduate Course: Updates on Common Liver Diseases
Van Horne A

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand the indications for antiviral therapy in individuals with chronic hepatitis B infection;
2. Identify interferon-free therapies that can be used in individuals with chronic hepatitis C infection;
3. Choose among different diagnostic tools to manage individuals with suspected NASH.

Co-Chairs: Marc Bilodeau, Université de Montréal and Les Lilly, University of Toronto

An Update on Hepatitis B
Anna Lok, University of Michigan

An Update on Hepatitis C Treatment
Jordan Feld, University of Toronto

NASH: Update on Diagnosis and Therapy
Keyur Patel, University of Toronto

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10h00-11h30
*CAG/Crohn’s and Colitis Canada Student Prize Paper Presentations*

**Theatre**

**Learning Objectives:**
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1. Explore innovations in the clinical care of patients with complex gastrointestinal disease.
2. Evaluate new information related to advances in the treatment of gastrointestinal diseases.
3. Recognize new directions in research into the management and care of patients with GI illness.

**CAG Student Prize**

**Loss of mesenchymal Bmps signaling synergizes with Trp53 mutation to induce gastric oncogenic progression** (Abstract 2)
*C. Ouellet1*, *P. Garde-Granger2*, *F. Boudreau1*, *N. Perreault1*

1Département Anatomie et Biologie Cellulaire and 2Faculté de Médecine - Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Québec

**CAG Student Prize**

**A serpin-producing Bifidobacteria improves gluten pathology in mice** (Abstract 3)
*J. Dong1*, *J. McCarville1*, *A. Caminero Fernandez1*, *J. Jury1*, *M. Bermudez1*, *P. Langella2*, *A. Mercenier2*, *G. Bergonzelli2*, *S. Duboux2*, *E. Verdu3*

1McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario; 2INRA, Jouy-en-Josas; 3Nestle Research Center, Lausanne

**Crohn’s and Colitis Canada Student Prize**

**Diagnosis of asthma is associated with subsequent development of inflammatory bowel disease: a population-based case-control study** (Abstract 4)
*E. Kuenzig1*, *C. Barnabe2*, *C. Seow3*, *B. Eksteen2*, *M. E. Negron4*, *A. Rezaie2*, *R. Panaccione2*, *E. I. Benchimol5*, *M. Sadatsafavi6*, *A. Avina-Zubieta1*, *G. G. Kaplan2*

1Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario, Ottawa, Ontario; 2University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta; 3University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia

Co-Chairs: Francois Boudreau, Université de Sherbrooke and Natasha Kachan, Crohn’s and Colitis Canada

**Crohn’s and Colitis Canada Student Prize**

**Fructooligosaccharide exacerabtes inflammation and the loss of microbial diversity following ileocecal resection in a murine model of post-operative Crohn’s disease recurrence** (Abstract 5)
*M. Laffin*, *T. Perry*, *N. Hotte*, *H. Park*, *R. Fedorak*, *B. Dicken*, *K. Madsen*
University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta

**Honorable Mention**

**Preferences for care for active symptoms of IBD in a population based sample** (Abstract 6)
*M. T. Bernstein*, *T. Chhibba*, *J. R. Walker*, *M. Ivekovic*, *G. Restall*, *H. Singh*, *L. E. Targownik*, *C. N. Bernstein*
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba

**Honorlable Mention**

**PI3Kp110δ drives intestinal fibrosis in ship deficient mice** (Abstract 7)
*Y. Lo*, *J. Sauvé*, *S. Menzies*, *L. M. Sly*
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia

**Honorlable Mention**

**Prolonged fasting alters the gut microbiome and protects against Salmonella-induced gut inflammation** (Abstract 8)
*F. A. Graef*, *J. Lau*, *E. S. Bosman3*, *M. Kuan2*, *H. Yang3*, *L. S. Celiberto2*, *J. C. Berkmann2*, *M. Stahl2*, *S. M. Crowley2*, *H. Yu2*, *M. Surette1*, *E. Verdu1*, *K. Jacobson2*, *B. Vallance2*

1McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario; 2Pediatrics, BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute, Vancouver, British Columbia

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FRIDAY, MARCH 3

11h30-12h30  Exhibits & Lunch  Van Horne B/C & Foyers

12h30-14h30  CAG Symposium: Roles of Nutrition and Microbiota in GI Diseases

Theatre

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Discuss evidence-based dietary management of IBD;
2. Understand how to design an effective clinical nutrition study in IBD patients;
3. Review the diet-induced dysbiosis and consequences on immunity.

Co-Chairs: Deanna Gibson, University of British Columbia and Elena Verdu, McMaster University

Evidence-based Dietary Management of IBD
Deanna Gibson, University of British Columbia

How to Design and Interpret Dietary Intervention Trials in IBD
Paul Moayyedi*, McMaster University

Undernutrition and the Infant Intestinal Microbiota
Amee Manges, University of British Columbia

Interaction between Genes, Microbiota and Diet in IBD: The example of Card9
Harry Sokol, Université Pierre et Marie Curie

Short-term exposure to a high sugar diet reduces short chain fatty acid production and increases susceptibility to colitis (Abstract 9)
University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta

- CAG co-developed this program with Canadian Institutes of Health Research Institute of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes to achieve scientific integrity, objectivity and balance -

12h30-14h30  CAG/CASL Postgraduate Course: Case-based Problems

Van Horne A

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Discuss the efficacy and cost-effectiveness of current screening/surveillance strategies for Barrett’s esophagus and optimal management of low-grade dysplasia;
2. Develop an approach to screening patients with intestinal metaplasia and identification of patients at increased risk for gastric cancer (who, when and how);
3. Recognize how to differentiate Celiac disease from other gluten-related disorders and discuss initial and subsequent tests needed to confirm diagnosis;
4. Explain the options for long-term management and surveillance of patients with eosinophilic esophagitis.

Co-Chairs: Catharine Walsh, University of Toronto and Charles Ménard, Université de Sherbrooke

Barrett’s Esophagus
Serge Mayrand, McGill University

Intestinal metaplasia/early gastric cancer
Daniel von Renteln, Université de Montréal

Question & Answer

Celiac disease
David Armstrong*, McMaster University

Eosinophilic esophagitis
Vishal Avinashi, University of British Columbia

Question & Answer

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15h00-16h30  
**CAG/CASL Postgraduate Course: Managing Refractory Abdominal Symptoms in IBD**  
*Van Horne A*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Assess and manage IBD patients with abdominal symptoms with active and inactive inflammation;
2. Describe the investigative work up in pediatric patients with refractory IBD;
3. Explain to their patients the current understanding of how symptoms of the Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) can emerge following resolution of a flare of IBD;
4. Understand putative common pathophysiological mechanisms between celiac disease and IBD and their clinical presentations.

**Co-Chairs:** Johan Van Limbergen, Dalhousie University and Premysl Bercik, McMaster University

**Managing the Refractory Adult Patient with IBD:**
*Inflamed or not inflamed...that is the question?*
Reena Khanna, Western University

**Investigation of Refractory IBD – A pediatric perspective**
*Sally Lawrence, University of British Columbia*

**Can We Diagnose IBS in IBD Patients?**
*Stephen Vanner, Queen’s University*

**On a Crossroad Between IBD and Celiac Disease**
*Premysl Bercik, McMaster University*

**Question & Answer**

16h30-17h30  
**CAG Annual General Meeting**  
*Theatre*

16h30-17h30  
**CASL Annual General Meeting**  
*Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman*

17h30-18h30  
**CDDW™ Opening Reception**  
*Van Horne B/C & Foyers*

Give a note of thanks to our sponsors and exhibitors as, without their critical support, this meeting would not be possible!

The conference showcases the latest, cutting-edge products, equipment and services for gastroenterology clinicians and researchers. Exhibitors include companies from the pharmaceutical and food industry as well as the device/instrumental sector, not-for-profits, and charitable organizations. We invite you to help us open the meeting, take time to get to know the exhibitors and their offerings, and catch up with colleagues while enjoying complimentary drinks and hors d’œuvres.

While at each exhibit booth, have your badge scanned to be entered into a contest for a chance to win 1 of 12 prizes for complimentary room nights at the Fairmont Royal York (base room and taxes) for CDDW™ 2018.

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18h30-19h30
CASL-CAHN Mixer

Riverview Foyer

18h30-20h00
Trainee Mixer

Stanley Thompson Foyer

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08h00-09h00
CAG Breakfast with the Experts: Electrosurgery and You

Oak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Review principles of electrosurgery with respect to GI endoscopy;
2. Discuss optimal cautery settings for the safe and effective performance of polypectomy, sphincterotomy, EMR and hemostasis.

Speakers: Christopher Teshima, University of Toronto and Michael Sey, Western University

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08h00-09h00
CAG Breakfast with the Experts: Perianal and Fistulizing IBD

Norquay

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Classify perianal Crohn's disease;
2. Identify the appropriate investigations required to manage perianal Crohn's disease;
3. Recognize the different medical and surgical treatment options to successfully manage perianal Crohn disease.

Speakers: Jeff Critch, Memorial University and Renelle Daigle, University of Calgary

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08h00-09h00
CASL Breakfast with the Experts: Challenging Autoimmune Hepatitis Cases

Ivor Petrak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Discuss the treatment of patients with autoimmune hepatitis according to the most current guidelines;
2. Review the diagnosis and management of acute-severe autoimmune hepatitis;
3. Discuss the management of difficult cases of autoimmune hepatitis, including overlap syndromes.

Speakers: Aldo Montano-Loza, University of Alberta and Aliya Gulamhusein, University of Toronto

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08h00-10h00
†CAG Symposium: Mechanisms Responsible for Post-infectious Gut Inflammatory Disorders

Theatre

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this program participants will be able to:
1. Understand the pathogenesis, epidemiology and natural history of post-infectious irritable bowel syndrome;
2. Learn how acute infectious diarrhea can affect the short- and long-term health of local populations, travellers and military personnel;
3. Explore the role of a disrupted gut microbiota in these post-infectious phenomena.

Co-Chairs: Andre Buret, University of Calgary and John Marshall, McMaster University

Post-infectious Irritable Bowel Syndrome
John Marshall, McMaster University

Emerging Evidence on Causality for other Post-infectious Chronic GI Conditions
Mark Riddle, Naval Medical Research Center

How Acute Exposure to Enteropathogens May Cause Intestinal Inflammatory Disorders: A role for disrupted microbiota
Andre Buret, University of Calgary

An ulcerative colitis Escherichia coli pathobiont colonizes the intestinal mucosa of susceptible hosts and promotes colitis via hemolysin production (Abstract 10)
H. Yang1, H. C. Misepasi-Lauridsen2, E. S. Bosman2, C. Struve3, H. Yu1, X. Wu2, C. Ma1, G. Reid1, X. Li1, A. M. Petersen3, K. Jacobson1, K. A. Krogfelt3, B. Vallance1
1BC Children’s Hospital, Vancouver, British Columbia; 2University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia; 3Statens Serum Institut, Copenhagen; 4Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute, Cleveland, Ohio; 5Hvidovre University Hospital, Copenhagen

Effect of fecal microbial transplant on microbial and phage composition in patients with Clostridium difficile infection (Abstract 11)
H. Park1, B. T. Millan2, N. Hotte1, D.H. Kao1, K. Madsen1
1University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 2University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada

08h30-10h00
†CASL Paper Session 1

Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to evaluate innovative liver research changing the management of patients living with chronic liver disease and explore opportunities to integrate the research into clinical care.

Co-Chairs: Mayur Brahmania, University of Toronto and Mark Swain, University of Calgary
Liver type fatty acid binding protein (FABP1) levels improve performance of prognostic models in acetaminophen induced acute liver failure (Abstract 22)
C. J. Karvellas1, J. L. Speiser2, M. Tremblay3, W. Lee4, C. F. Rose5
1University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta; 2Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina; 3CRCHUM, Montréal, Québec; 4UT Southwestern, Dallas, Texas

Circulating propionate and splanchnic vasodilation in cirrhosis (Abstract 23)
University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta

Specialized multidisciplinary care in cirrhosis improves mortality and reduces acute care utilization (Abstract 24)
M. Carbonneau1, T. Davydude2, P. Tandon1, M. Ma1, K. Newnham2, V. DenHeyer2, J. G. Abraldes1
1University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta; 2Cirrhosis Care Clinic, University of Alberta Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta

Home exercise therapy is well tolerated and improves exercise capacity in patients with Child Pugh A and B cirrhosis (Abstract 25)
C. Kruger1, M. McNeely1, R. Bailey2, M. Yavari1, J. G. Abraldes2, M. Carbonneau1, K. Newnham1, V. Mathiesen1, M. Ma1, R. Thompson1, I. Paterson1, M. Haykowsky5, P. Tandon1
1University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta; 2Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta; 3College of Nursing and Health Innovation, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, Texas

Treatment outcomes of HCV-infected patients identified through the community pop-up clinic (Abstract 26)
G. Kiani2, R. Shahi2, T. Raycraft1, A. Alimohammadi1, A. Singh2, B. Conway2
1University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia; 2Vancouver Infectious Diseases Centre, Vancouver, British Columbia

Characterization of HCV infected PWID in the setting of clinical care in Canada (CAPICA): final results (Abstract 27)
J. Feld1, B. Conway1, J. Bruneau1, C. Cooper1, J. Cox4, L. Deshaies6, C. Fraser7, G. Macphail8, J. Powis9, C. Steingart10, K. Stewart11, R. Thomas12, D. Webster13, M. Drolet14, M. Mcgovern14, J. Trepanier14
1Centre for Liver Disease, Toronto General Hospital, Toronto, Ontario; 2Vancouver Infectious Diseases Centre, Vancouver, British Columbia; 3CHUM-Hôpital St-Luc, Montréal, Québec; 4Ottawa Hospital Research Institute, Ottawa, Ontario; 5McGill University Health Center, Montréal, Québec; 6Clinique Médicale Lauberivière, Québec, Québec; 7Cool Aid Community Health Center, Victoria, British Columbia; 8Calgary Urban Project Society (CUPS), Calgary, Alberta; 9Toronto Community Hep C Program, Toronto, Ontario; 10Sanguen Health Center, Waterloo, Ontario; 11Saskatoon Infectious Disease Care Network, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; 12Clinique Médicale l’Actuel, Montréal, Québec; 13Dalhousie University, Saint John, New Brunswick; 14Merck Canada, Kirkland, Québec

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09h00-10h00  
**CAG Symposium: Gastroenterology 2021:**  
An eye to the future

Van Horne A

Learning Objectives:  
At the end of this session participants will:  
1. Appreciate potential future developments in the management of digestive health;  
2. Understand how new technologies can be incorporated into digestive health care;  
3. Understand how gastroenterology can lead patient-centred enhancement of digestive health.

10h00-10h30  
**CLF-CASL Gold Medal Lecture**

Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman

10h30-11h00  
**Exhibits & Coffee Break**  
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11h00-11h40  
CAG Small Group: Case-based Anticoagulation  

**David O’Brien**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Be able to make recommendations for peri-endoscopic managements of patients on anticoagulants and anti-platelet agents;
2. Be aware of options for reversal of direct oral anticoagulants;
3. Become aware of evidenced-based red blood cell transfusion thresholds in the patient with GI bleeding.

Speakers: Dan Sadowski, University of Alberta and Deirdre Jenkins, University of Calgary

11h00-11h40  
CAG Small Group: Endoscopy in the Bariatric Patient  

**Champlain**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Recognize normal anatomy in common bariatric surgeries;
2. Identify abnormal findings post-bariatric surgery;
3. Describe common endoscopic interventions for the post bariatric surgery patient.

Speakers: David Morgan, McMaster University and Richdeep Gill, University of Calgary

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11h00-11h40

*Rob Ritchie*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify when testing for *H. pylori* in the pediatric population is indicated based on the updated guidelines;
2. Recommend appropriate first-line therapy for *H. pylori* infection based on the updated guidelines.

Speakers: Nicola Jones, University of Toronto and Colette Deslandres, Université de Montréal

11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: Practical Tips for Finding a Job and Going Into Practice

*Frontenac*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of the session the participants will be able to:
1. Describe their career goals including whether to pursue academic or private practice;
2. Recognize niche areas of practice and how they may fulfill career goals;
3. Appreciate some of the aspects of the business-side of a private practice;
4. Recognize the importance of considering what you seek for a career and how that aligns with personal life goals.

Speakers: Susan Gilmour, University of Alberta and Robert Berger, Dalhousie University

11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: Quality in the Gastroenterology Unit

*New Brunswick*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Understand the concepts of quality of care and patient centeredness in gastroenterology;
2. Be familiar with the endoscopy Canada Global Rating Scale® (C-GRS®);
3. Have explored the domains of quality of care for IBD patients.

Speakers: Catherine Dubé, University of Ottawa and Alain Bitton, McGill University

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**SMALL GROUP SESSIONS**

**11h00-11h40**  
**CAG Small Group: SEE©: Practical Tips**  
Room 2526  

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**Speakers:** Richard Sultanian, University of Alberta and Kevin Waschke, McGill University  

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**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to demonstrate:  
1. How scope handling influences colonoscopy technique;  
2. How to apply torque steering during colonoscopy;  
3. How to integrate changes in handling and torque into one’s colonoscopy technique.  

**11h00-11h40**  
**CAG Small Group: The Fly and Zebrafish as Models to Study GI Tract Disorders**  
Angus  

**Speakers:** Steve Jean, Université de Sherbrooke and Gabriella Leung, University of Toronto  

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:  
1. Integrate physiological and functional resemblance between fly, zebrafish and mammalian gut physiology;  
2. Describe genetic approaches to test gene functions in fly and zebrafish;  
3. Utilize non-mammalian model organisms to study intestinal diseases and the microbiota.  

**11h00-11h40**  
**CASL Small Group: A Case-based Approach to Advanced Care Planning and Goals of Care Discussions in Cirrhosis**  
Norquay  

**Speakers:** Puneeta Tandon, University of Alberta and Amanda Brisebois, University of Alberta  

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will:  
1. Understand the rationale for early Advance Care Planning (ACP) and Goals of Care Discussions (GCD) in cirrhosis;  
2. Understand the importance of determining patient communication preferences and readiness prior to ACP discussions;  
3. Begin to develop a patient-centered approach to having ACP and GCD discussions.  

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SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

11h00-11h40
CASL Small Group: Liver Disease and Driving Safety

Ivor Petrak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Appreciate the risks of driving in patients with liver disease;
2. Have an understanding of how to evaluate patients with cirrhosis for driving safety and Canadian reporting regulations.

Speakers: Philip Wong, McGill University and Stephen Congly, University of Calgary

11h00-11h40
CASL Small Group: Wilson’s Disease Case-based Learning

Oak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Understand the breadth of presentation of Wilson’s disease and the appropriate investigations to help diagnose patients;
2. Appreciate the basis for treatment of patients with Wilson’s disease including the range of therapeutic options;
3. Have a deeper awareness of the approaches taken to monitoring patients on treatment life-long to optimize good outcomes.

Speakers: Eve Roberts, University of Toronto

11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Capsule Endoscopy

Champlain

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Select and prepare patients appropriately for a quality capsule exam without complications;
2. Interpret capsule findings to support the diagnosis of Crohn’s disease, vascular malformations, tumours, lymphangiectasia and other enteropathies.

Speakers: Steven Heitman, University of Calgary and Martha Dirks, Université de Montréal

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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: IBS and Breath Testing:
Pros and cons

Frontenac

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Explain the potential role of carbohydrate malabsorption, including FODMAPs malabsorption, in symptoms of the Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS);
2. Understand the principles underlying breath testing for hydrogen and methane in patients with IBS symptoms;
3. Understand the limitations of breath testing for diagnosing potential carbohydrate malabsorption and small intestinal bacterial overgrowth in patients with IBS symptoms.

Speakers: David Armstrong*, McMaster University and Stephen Vanner, Queen's University
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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Management of Intestinal Failure: A pediatric perspective

Rob Ritchie

Learning Objectives:
In the era of long term survivors of intestinal failure participants will:
1. Recognize the structure and contribution of multidisciplinary care for pediatric intestinal failure (IF);
2. Understand the management of long term complications of surgical strategies with a focus on anastomotic ulcers;
3. Discuss the follow up and management of metabolic bone disease in pediatric IF;
4. Identify indications for intestinal transplantation.

Speakers: Yaron Avitzur, University of Toronto and Justine Turner, University of Alberta

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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: SEE©: Practical Tips

Room 2526

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to demonstrate:
1. How scope handling influences colonoscopy technique;
2. How to apply torque steering during colonoscopy;
3. How to integrate changes in handling and torque into one’s colonoscopy technique.

Speakers: Lawrence Hookey, Queen’s University and Donald MacIntosh, Dalhousie University
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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: SEE©: Practical Tips

Room 2530

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to demonstrate:
1. How scope handling influences colonoscopy technique;
2. How to apply torque steering during colonoscopy;
3. How to integrate changes in handling and torque into one’s colonoscopy technique.

Speakers: Mark Borgaonkar*, Memorial University and Alaa Rostom, University of Ottawa
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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Therapeutic Drug Monitoring

New Brunswick

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the evidence supporting therapeutic drug monitoring in IBD;
2. Recommend appropriate situations to perform therapeutic drug monitoring in IBD;
3. Identify limitations of therapeutic drug monitoring in IBD;
4. Manage IBD therapy based on results from therapeutic drug monitoring.

Speakers: Waqqas Afif, McGill University and Jennifer deBruyn, University of Calgary
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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Ultrasound in IBD

David O’Brien

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Understand the pros/cons of different imaging modalities available today for both diagnosis and monitoring of patients with inflammatory bowel disease;
2. Recognize 4 key sonographic components of active inflammatory bowel disease, review a simple score for disease activity (Simple Ultrasonographic Score/SUS) and identify complications of IBD on bowel ultrasound;
3. Understand how ultrasound may be used in clinical decision-making;
4. Recognize how ultrasound can be used in the future as a clinical tool to differentiate between IBS and IBD in patients referred for symptoms such as diarrhea.

Speakers: Kerri Novak, University of Calgary and Cathy Lu, University of Alberta
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11h50-12h30
CASL Small Group: A Case-based Approach to Managing Pain in Cirrhosis

Norquay

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Understand the prevalence and types of pain present in patients with cirrhosis;
2. Understand the complexity of pain management and how it applies to the cirrhosis population;
3. Differentiate the variables important in selecting therapies to address pain issues in the cirrhotic patient, and explore drug dosing strategies.

Speaker: Puneeta Tandon, University of Alberta

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11h50-12h30
CASL Small Group: Advanced Stage Hepatocellular Carcinoma – What to Do

Ivor Petrak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Know more about new therapies for HCC and will be able to identify possible treatments for advanced HCC;
2. Be aware of the results of the randomized controlled studies that led to the use of sorafenib and regorafenib and how to use these agents;
3. Be aware of the side effects of these drugs.

11h50-12h30
CASL Small Group: NASH – What’s on the Treatment Horizon

Oak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand the pathophysiologic mechanisms leading to the development of NASH;
2. Review the current treatments available and the evidence around these treatments;
3. Briefly summarize the treatments currently under study, and relate these back to the pathophysiologic mechanisms of NASH.

11h50-12h30
CDHF Small Group: Microbiome-based FMT Treatment in IBD: Is it ready for prime-time?

Angus

Learning Objectives:
At the end of the session participants will be able to:
1. Identify pathogenic risks associated with IBD;
2. Evaluate clinical treatment benefits and risks of FMT therapy;
3. Understand the potential role the human gut microbiome plays in the development and treatment of IBD.

Speakers: Morris Sherman*, University of Toronto and Jeanne-Marie Giard, Université de Montréal

Speakers: Saumya Jayakumar, University of Calgary and Vladimir Marquez, University of British Columbia

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Speakers: Karen Madsen, University of Alberta and Dina Kao, University of Alberta

Please note this is an unaccredited session.
**12h30-13h30**  |  **Exhibits & Lunch**  |  **Van Horne B/C & Foyers**  

**13h30-15h00**  |  **CAG Symposium: Portal Hypertension, Polypectomy and Prevention**  |  

**Van Horne A**  

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:  
1. Recommend age-appropriate management of esophageal varices from childhood through to young adulthood;  
2. Select appropriate polypectomy technique based on the latest available literature;  
3. Explain how biofilm can lead to persistence of antibiotic resistant organisms in flexible endoscopes despite high level disinfection and how this may contribute to infectious outbreaks.

| **Co-Chairs:** Simon Ling, University of Toronto and Katherine Marchut, Université de Montréal |  
| Portal Hypertension Management - What changes from childhood to adult care?  
Simon Ling, University of Toronto |  
| Polypectomy Techniques  
Kevin Waschke, McGill University |  
| Endoscope Disinfection  
Michelle Alfa, University of Manitoba |  

**13h30-15h00**  |  **CAG Workshop: Career Development**  |  

**Theatre**  

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of the session participants will be able to:  
1. Recognize career options outside of academia;  
2. Translate their research to media.

| **Co-Chairs:** Jean-Eric Ghia, University of Manitoba and Martin Stahl, University of British Columbia |  
| Career in Industry: A good option after a PhD  
Kevin McHugh, AbbVie |  
| From the Bench to the Great Unknown: A day in the life of a Scientific Editor  
Sara Hamilton, Cell Reports |  
| A Press Release for My Research: So what?  
Jean-Eric Ghia, University of Manitoba |  

**13h30-15h00**  |  **CASL Symposium: Hepatitis B Virus**  |  

**Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman**  

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:  
1. Identify early stopping rules for HBV treated with interferon and when nucleoside/tide analogues can be stopped;  
2. Describe patients at risk for reactivation of Hepatitis B and how this can be prevented;  
3. Recognize new targets for Hepatitis B therapies.

| **Co-Chairs:** David Wong, University of Toronto and Kelly Burak, University of Calgary |  
| When to Stop Therapy?  
Geoffrey Dusheiko, University College, London |  
| Reactivation in the Setting of Immunosuppression  
Jordan Feld, University of Toronto |  
| HBV – The Best Targets for Curative Therapy  
Thomas Baumert, University of Strasbourg |  

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15h30-17h00  
**CAG Symposium: Clinical Practice Guideline Highlights**

*Van Horne A*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Recognize the diagnostic utility and limitations of capsule endoscopy in patients with Crohn’s disease, celiac disease, gastrointestinal bleeding, polyposis syndromes and colonic diseases;
2. Understand the medical management of inflammatory bowel during pregnancy including preconception counseling, diagnostic testing, and indications and safety of medical treatment strategies;
3. Describe the two main new CAG/CHSG recommended options for first line therapy of *H. pylori* infection and explain choices for subsequent therapy based on treatments that previously failed.

**Co-Chairs:** Grigorios Leontiadis, McMaster University and Reena Khanna, Western University

- Capsule endoscopy guidelines
  Lawrence Hookey, Queen’s University

- IBD in pregnancy guidelines
  Geoffrey Nguyen, University of Toronto

- Helicobacter pylori guidelines
  Carlo Fallone, McGill University

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15h30-17h00  
**tCAG Symposium: Stroma/Epithelial Stem Cell Interaction in GI Diseases**

*Theatre*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Recognize the importance of stromal-epithelial communication in the development of GI diseases;
2. Describe how professional and non-professional stromal cells can influence intestinal stem cells;
3. Explain how dormant stem cells can influence GI homeostasis.

**Co-Chairs:** Nathalie Perreault, Université de Sherbrooke and Laura Sly, University of British Columbia

- Helminths and the Education of Anti-Inflammatory Macrophages
  Derek McKay, University of Calgary

- Stromal-Epithelial Interactions with Cancer Stem Cells in Colorectal Adenocarcinoma
  Catherine O’Brien, University of Toronto

- Loss of Bmps signaling in FoxI1+ subepithelial myofibroblasts impairs specification and maturation of intestinal epithelial cells. (Abstract 12)
  R. Servant, C. Ouellet, N. Perreault
  Anatomie et Biologie Cellulaire, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Québec

- Role of Dormant Stem Cells in Intestinal Homeostasis
  David Breault, Harvard University
SATURDAY, MARCH 4

15h30-17h00
CASL Symposium: Hepatitis C Virus

Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be aware of:
• The clinical utility of HCV viral resistance testing;
• Treatment options for those patients who fail the current antiviral drugs;
• Treatment issues in patients with decompensated cirrhosis.

Co-Chairs: Jordan Feld, University of Toronto and Eric Yoshida*, University of British Columbia

Clinical Uses of HCV Resistance Testing
Jean-Michel Pawlotsky, Université de Paris-Est

DAA Failures – What to Do and How to Treat
Mark Swain, University of Calgary

Decompensated Patients – Treat Now or After Transplant?
Alnoor Ramji, University of British Columbia

17h00-17h30
McKenna Reception

Van Horne Foyer

17h30-18h30
R.D. McKenna Memorial Lecture

Van Horne A

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Recognize the many presentations of celiac disease and the overlap with other conditions;
2. Differentiate food allergic disorders from food intolerances;
3. Discuss tests used to diagnose/evaluate food allergies and food intolerances and their limitations;
4. Develop an approach to patients with celiac disease who remain symptomatic on a gluten-free diet.

The Growing Problem of Food Allergies and Intolerances
Sheila Crowe*, University of California, San Diego

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Immediately preceding the McKenna Lecture, there will be a short presentation of the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology Fellows (CAGF) inducted for 2017. CAGF is an esteemed honour for CAG members who have demonstrated long-term commitment to the Association and to furthering the goals of advancing gastroenterology practice and GI research in Canada.

18h30-20h00
Poster Session 1

Alhambra

Join authors and colleagues in relaxed and informative discussions while enjoying beverages and light snacks. Please be sure to see the Posters of Distinction (A75, A80-A95, A160-A165) located throughout the poster area and identified with a ribbon.

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CDDW™ 2019: Feb 24 - Mar 6, Banff  
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08h00-09h00  
**CAG Breakfast with the Experts: IBD in Pregnancy**  
*Oak*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Recognize that disease control at time of conception results in improved materno-fetal outcomes;
2. Identify the appropriate diagnostic tests to allow for accurate disease assessment in a pregnant woman with IBD;
3. Assess the safety of therapies during pregnancy and lactation.

**Speakers:** Cynthia Seow, University of Calgary and Geoffrey Nguyen, University of Toronto

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08h00-09h00  
**CAG Breakfast with the Experts: Non-ulcerative Dyspepsia**  
*Norquay*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session, participants will be able to:
1. Describe recently updated guidelines for the management of functional dyspepsia in adults;
2. Discuss considerations around the investigation and management of dyspepsia / upper abdominal pain in children and adolescents;
3. Establish the biopsychosocial model of medical practice.

**Speakers:** Peggy Marcon, University of Toronto and Christopher Andrews, University of Calgary

Please note that pre-registration is required to gain admittance to Breakfast with the Experts.

08h00-09h00  
**CASL Breakfast with the Experts: Home Nutrition Guide for Cirrhosis Patients**  
*Ivor Petrak*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Evaluate the nutritional status of their cirrhotic patients;
2. Recognize the pronostic implications of malnutrition in cirrhotic patients;
3. Have management strategies they can share with their patients.

**Speakers:** Puneeta Tandon, University of Alberta and Geneviève Huard, Université de Montréal

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† Session includes oral presentations of key abstracts
08h30-10h30
†Gut Barrier Defenses

**Theatre**

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand the dynamics of intestinal mucus protection balancing renewal with clearance, and the function of different goblet cells;
2. Decipher how the host immune system regulates the intestinal microbiome to prevent intestinal inflammation;
3. Understand the emerging roles of enterochromaffin cells and their major product, serotonin (5-HT) in modulating innate mucosal defense and inflammation.

Co-Chairs: Kris Chadee, University of Calgary and Waliul Khan, McMaster University

Layers of Mucus Defense in the Gut
Malin Johansson, University of Gothenburg

Host-Multibiome Interactions in Intestinal Inflammation
Lisa Osborne, University of British Columbia

Enterochromaffin Cells and 5-HT in Innate Mucosal Defense and Inflammation
Waliul Khan, McMaster University

Proteolytic bacteria promote innate immune activation and gluten-induced pathology in mice (Abstract 13)
H. J. Galipeau1, A. Caminero Fernandez1, J. McCarville1, S. Bernier1, J. A. Murray2, J. Casqueiro Blanco3, M. Surette1, E. Verdu1
1Family Digestive Health Research Institute, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario; 2Gastroenterology, The Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota; 3Universidad de León, León

Inflammasome activation coordinates intestinal mucosal defense against the enteric bacterial pathogen Salmonella enterica serovar Typhimurium (Abstract 14)
S. M. Crowley1, F. A. Graef1, J. M. Allaire1, L. A. Knodler2, B. Vallance1
1BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute, Vancouver, British Columbia; 2Paul G. Allen School for Global Animal Health, Pullman, Washington

09h00-10h30
CAG Symposium: Diet, Obesity and the Microbiome

**Van Horne A**

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will understand:
1. The role of gut microbiota host metabolic interactions in driving obesity and metabolic disorders;
2. The interplay between the gut microbiome and the endocannabinoid system may alter energy homeostasis and metabolism;
3. The clinical evidence of the role of the microbiome in obesity.

Co-Chairs: Paul Moayyedi*, McMaster University and Karen Madsen, University of Alberta

Metabolic Communication in Development and Control of Obesity
Elaine Holmes, Imperial College London

Getting into the Weed: The endocannabinoid system of the gut-brain axis in energy homeostasis
Keith Sharkey, University of Calgary

Obesity and the Microbiome: Fat on promises, thin on clinical data
Paul Moayyedi*, McMaster University

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09h00-10h30  CASL Paper Session 2

Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to evaluate innovative liver research changing the management of patients living with chronic liver disease and explore opportunities to integrate the research into clinical care.

CASL Student Prize

Intrahepatic IL-22 correlates with advanced liver fibrosis and sensitizes HSC to TGF-β signaling in a p38-dependent manner (Abstract 28)

T. Fabre, M. Flores, G. Soucy, J. Villeneuve, B. Willems, M. Bilodeau, N. Shoukry
CRCHUM, Montréal, Québec

CASL Student Prize

The molecular interplay between circulating miR-24, miR-223, and PCSK9 in hepatitis C-infected patients who achieve a treatment-based viral cure (Abstract 29)

A. Hyrina1, A. Olmstead2, P. Steven3, M. Kraijden1, E. Tam1, F. Jean1
1University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia; 2BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS, Vancouver, British Columbia; 3QIAGEN, Manchester

CASL Student Prize

First year outcomes from a provincially funded non-fibrosis restricted hepatitis C treatment program in Prince Edward Island (Abstract 30)

J. W. Francheville1, R. Rankin1, J. N. Beck1, C. Hoare1, R. Khan1, S. Materniak1, G. German1, L. Barrett1, N. Bunimov Wall2, D. Smyth2
1Health PEI, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island; 2Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia; 3Horizon Health Network, Moncton, New Brunswick

Co-Chairs: Keyur Patel, University of Toronto and Xin Xiong, McGill University

Reprogramming of exhausted T cells following cure of chronic viral infection (Abstract 31)

M. S. Abdel-Hakeem1, P. Tonnerre2, O. Khan1, E. Stelekati1, M. Ali1, G. M. Lauer3, E. Wherry1
1Penn Institute for Immunology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; 2Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard University, Boston, Massachusetts

Population-based estimate of hepatitis C virus prevalence in Ontario, Canada (Abstract 32)

S. Bolotin1, J. Feld2, G. Garber1, W. W. Wong3, F. Guerra1, T. Mazzulli1
1Public Health Ontario, Toronto, Ontario; 2University Health Network, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario; 3University of Waterloo, Kitchener, Ontario

Novel E2 glycoprotein tetramer detects HCV-specific memory B cells (Abstract 33)

M. Boisvert1, W. Zhang2, E. Elrod2, N. Bernard3, J. Villeneuve1, J. Bruneau1, J. Marcotrigiano1, N. Shoukry1, A. Grakoui2
1Centre de recherche du CHUM, Montréal, Québec; 2Emory University School of Medicine Yerkes National Primate Research Center, Emory Vaccine Center, Atlanta, Georgia; 3McGill University, Montréal, Québec; 4Rutgers University, Piscataway, New Jersey

10h30-11h00  Exhibits & Coffee Break  Van Horne B/C & Foyers

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CAG Quality Program - Endoscopy (QP-E)

Over 135 endoscopy units across Canada have registered to take part in CAG’s Canada-Global Rating Scale© (C-GRS©) survey to improve endoscopy services.

Participation has increased rapidly since 2012 related to adoption of the C-GRS© by cancer screening programs or provincial healthcare systems.

Learn more at Booth #1046
SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

Small group sessions (limit of up to 35 attendees) are 40-minute interactive, case-based discussions. Pre-registration required.

11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: CRISPR-Cas9 Technology Applied to GI Models

Angus

Learning Objectives:
At the end of the session participants will be able to:
1. Identify common difficulties and challenges associated with the creation of engineered intestinal cell lines and primary cultures using the CRISPR/Cas9 technology;
2. Apply methods that will allow for the creation and long-term maintenance of engineered intestinal cell populations using the CRISPR/Cas9 technology;
3. Integrate the use of the CRISPR/Cas9 technology into future projects relating to understanding intestinal physiology and function in health and disease.

Speaker: Stephen Girardin, University of Toronto

11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: Eosinophilic Esophagitis in the Pediatric Patient

Rob Ritchie

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Be able to provide the diagnostic criteria for eosinophilic esophagitis and will learn about the differential diagnosis for esophageal eosinophilia;
2. Have an understanding of different approaches to therapy including dietary and medical management;
3. Understand the challenges associated with outcome assessment and long term management patients with eosinophilic esophagitis.

Speakers: Hien Huynh, University of Alberta and Mary Sherlock, McMaster University

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SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: Management of Difficult Constipation

David O’Brien

Learning Objectives:
By the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify the different etiologies of constipation between children and adults;
2. Apply the evidence for current therapies to manage constipation in children and adults.

Speakers: Louis Liu, University of Toronto and Elyanne Ratcliffe, McMaster University
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11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: SEE©: Practical Tips

Room 2526

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to demonstrate:
1. How scope handling influences colonoscopy technique;
2. How to apply torque steering during colonoscopy;
3. How to integrate changes in handling and torque into one’s colonoscopy technique.

Speakers: Frances Tse, McMaster University and Alaa Rostom, University of Ottawa
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11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: Small Bowel Enteroscopy

New Brunswick

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session, participants should be able to:
1. Assess and select appropriate patients for small bowel enteroscopy and capsule endoscopy;
2. Recognize the indications and limitations of small bowel enteroscopy;
3. Integrate small bowel enteroscopy with other small bowel imaging modalities.

Speakers: Robert Enns, University of British Columbia and Constantine Soulellis, McGill University
11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: Teaching and Evaluating Communication Skills: How to prepare trainees for clinical, academic, and professional careers

Frontenac

Learning Objectives:
By the end of the session participants will be able to:
1. Describe the skills (both verbal and written) that are characteristic of mastery of the Communicator role;
2. Utilize multiple formats and methods for teaching communication skills for clinical, academic, and professional activities;
3. Describe the utility and limitations of different methods of evaluation of the Communicator role.

Speakers: Melanie Stapleton, University of Calgary and Avi Chatterjee, University of Ottawa

11h00-11h40
CAG Small Group: When Do I Need an EUS for Pancreatic Cysts?

Champlain

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify which patients might benefit from EUS/fine-needle aspiration of an incidentally discovered pancreas cyst;
2. Explain the EUS features and fine-needle aspiration results expected for various benign and pre-malignant pancreas cysts;
3. Integrate the various guidelines to select a treatment and/or surveillance strategy for patients with asymptomatic pancreas cysts.

Speakers: Clarence Wong, University of Alberta and Carla Nash, University of Calgary

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SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

11h00-11h40
CASL Small Group: Non-Invasive Imaging – The Future

Norquay

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Describe differences between currently available non-invasive imaging modalities;
2. Understand limitations of current imaging assessment for fibrosis;
3. Determine the clinical utility of non-invasive imaging for chronic liver disease.

Speakers: Keyur Patel, University of Toronto and Vladimir Marquez, University of British Columbia

11h00-11h40
CASL Small Group: Teaching Trainees/Others about Viral Hepatitis

Ivor Petrak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Be aware of basic education principles and theories, which can enhance learning and knowledge retention;
2. Be more effective teachers on the topic of viral hepatitis (HBV and HCV) using these educational principles.

Speakers: Winnie Wong, University of Alberta and Hin Hin Ko, University of British Columbia

11h00-11h40
CASL Small Group: How to Write Really Good Guidelines

Oak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will understand:
1. The role guidelines have in disease management;
2. The value of the GRADE criteria;
3. What is needed to produce valuable guidelines.

Speakers: Jean-Michel Pawlotsky, Université of Paris-Est and Brian Bressler, University of British Columbia
SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Fecal Transplant

Champlain

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Describe indications for fecal microbial transplantation (FMT) in *Clostridium difficile* infection in adult and pediatric patients;
2. Compare advantages and disadvantages of different FMT delivery modalities;
3. Discuss short term and long term safety profile of FMT.

Speakers: Nikhil Pai, McMaster University and Karen Wong, University of Alberta

11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Managing Patients with Mild-Moderate Ulcerative Colitis

New Brunswick

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will understand:
1. How newer medical treatments can be used in managing mild to moderate UC;
2. What is the appropriate treatment goal in managing mild to moderate UC.

Speakers: Brian Bressler, University of British Columbia and Niels Vande Casteele, University of California, San Diego

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11h50-12h30
CAG Small Group: Nutritional Issues in Pediatric Gastroenterology

Rob Ritchie

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Demonstrate the impact of intestinal microbiota on the development of malnutrition;
2. Explain the interplay between micronutrients and intestinal microbiota;
3. Identify treatment targets aimed at ameliorating the dysbiosis seen in the context of malnutrition.

Speaker: Marialena Mouzaki, University of Toronto and Robert Bandsma, University of Toronto
SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

11h50-12h30  
CAG Small Group: Recurrent Pancreatitis

Frontenac

Learning Objectives:  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:  
1. Recognize acute recurrent pancreatitis using available diagnostic tools effectively;  
2. Distinguish between different etiologies of acute recurrent pancreatitis in children and adults;  
3. Describe current available therapeutic strategies for patients with acute recurrent pancreatitis.

Speakers: Paul James, University of Ottawa and Tanja Gonska, University of Toronto

11h50-12h30  
CAG Small Group: SEE©: Practical Tips

Room 2526

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Speakers: Eric Greenwald, McMaster University and Charles Ménard, Université de Sherbrooke

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11h50-12h30  
CAG Small Group: SEE©: Practical Tips

Room 2530

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1. How scope handling influences colonoscopy technique;  
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3. How to integrate changes in handling and torque into one’s colonoscopy technique.

Speakers: Richard Sultanian, University of Alberta and Dana Farina, Dalhousie University

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### SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

**11h50-12h30**

**CAG Small Group: Update in Upper GI Motility**

*Angus*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session, participants will:
1. Be familiar with the clinical approach and differential diagnosis of dysphagia in children and adults;
2. Understand the various diagnostic tools available for the diagnosis of achalasia in children and adults;
3. Be able to compare the various management approaches to achalasia including treatment failures.

Speakers: Dan Sadowski, University of Alberta and Elyanne Ratcliffe, McMaster University

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**11h50-12h30**

**CAG Small Group: Work-life Balance Issues**

*David O’Brien*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify work life balance issues present in the practice of gastroenterology/medicine;
2. Describe features of physician burnout;
3. Identify issues within the healthcare system that contribute to work-life imbalance;
4. Describe resources/strategies available to decrease burnout and improve balance and resilience.

Speakers: Lana Bistritz, University of Alberta and Sylviane Forget, McGill University

**11h50-12h30**

**CASL Small Group: HCC Small Lesions – Treat or Transplant?**

*Oak*

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Describe the liver transplantation listing criteria for hepatocellular cancer (HCC) in Canada;
2. Define bridging therapy for HCC patients awaiting liver transplantation;
3. Describe the appropriate selection of HCC patients for alternative curative therapies (surgery and ablation).

Speakers: Les Lilly, University of Toronto and Kelly Burak, University of Calgary
SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

11h50-12h30
CASL Small Group: Hepatorenal Syndrome – Diagnostic challenges, and then what to do

Ivor Petrak

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Have an approach to the diagnosis of acute kidney injury in patients with cirrhosis, including hepatorenal syndrome;
2. Be familiar with the evidence for existing management strategies and identify potential new therapies for hepatorenal syndrome.

Speakers: Cynthia Tsien, University of Toronto and Dean Karvellas, University of Alberta

11h50-12h30
CASL Small Group: Portal Hypertension in Children - Why they are different than adults?

Norquay

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will:
1. Understand the pathophysiology of portal hypertension in children;
2. Differentiate treatment options and side effects of interventions.

Speakers: Simon Ling, University of Toronto and Carolina Jimenez, University of Ottawa

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15h00-15h30  Exhibits & Coffee Break  Van Horne B/C & Foyers

15h30-17h00  CAG Symposium: 2016 Papers That Influenced Your Practice  Van Horne A

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify the differences between an originator monoclonal antibody and a biosimilar, and recognize the potential implications of switching from an originator product to a biosimilar;
2. Set goals for HCV treatment, discuss potential treatment strategies for untreatable liver diseases and be aware of yet another immune modifier that can lead to HBV reactivation;
3. Have a discourse of the components of the intestinal microbiome that could be active in the pathogenesis of inflammatory bowel disease.

Co-Chairs: Jill Tinnmouth, University of Toronto and Eric Benchimol, University of Ottawa


Jørgensen K et al. LB15 - Biosimilar infliximab (CT-P13) is not inferior to originator infliximab: results from the 52-week randomized NOR-SWITCH trial. Abstract presented at the United European Gastroenterology Week meeting 2016. Cynthia Seow, University of Calgary


David Wong, University of Toronto

David Mack, University of Ottawa

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15h30-17h00
*CAG Symposium: From Basic Research to Clinical Trials: How to conduct a good study

**Theatre**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to identify:
1. Gene mutations that might be appropriate for drug development in IBD;
2. Immune deficits that would be appropriate for drug development in IBD;
3. Microbes in the gut microbiome that would be appropriate to target for drug treatment in IBD.

Co-Chairs: Charles Bernstein*, University of Manitoba and Alain Stintzi, University of Ottawa

Choosing Microbial Targets for Clinical Trials in IBD
Alain Stintzi, University of Ottawa

Choosing Immune Targets for Clinical Trials in IBD
Dana Philpott, University of Toronto

A prospective, non-inferiority, multi-center, randomized trial comparing colonoscopy vs. oral capsule delivered fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) for recurrent Clostridium difficile infection (RCDI) (Abstract 15)


1University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta; 2University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta; 3Indiana University, Indianapolis, Indiana

Choosing Genetic Targets for Clinical Trials in IBD
Mark Silverberg, University of Toronto

Panel Discussion including Dr. Brian Feagan, Western University

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15h30-17h00
*CASL Symposium: Policy 101 for the Gastroenterologist/Hepatologist

**Sir Edward Beatty/D.C. Coleman**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Describe the overall economic burden of cirrhosis and drivers of cost and have an understanding of the impact of preventive and therapeutic strategies, liver transplantation, and overall societal impact on direct and indirect costs in patients with advanced liver disease;
2. Increase physician and public awareness of Choosing Wisely and the CASL recommendations and build physician knowledge and skills in the area of responsible management of resources;
3. Create community collaborations and foster attitudinal and cultural change;
4. Understand how the news media covers medical research, and which research stories they can trust.

Co-Chairs: Hemant Shah, University of Toronto and Erin Kelly, University of Ottawa

What Healthcare Workers Should Know about How the Media Reports Research
Tom Blackwell, National Post

Choosing Wisely Canada for Hepatology
Mayur Brahmania, University of Toronto

Assessing the Costs of Liver Disease
Erin Kelly, University of Ottawa

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17h00-18h00
**Awards Ceremony**

We invite you to join us at the annual Awards Ceremony to congratulate and celebrate with many awardees as awards from the Associations are formally presented.

*Van Horne A*

18h00-19h30
**Poster Session 2**

Join authors and colleagues in relaxed and informative discussions while enjoying beverages and light snacks. Please be sure to see the Posters of Distinction (A191-A193, A208, A235, A241, A263, A287, A288, A300, A301, A323) located throughout the poster area and identified with a ribbon.

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* American College of Gastroenterology Fellow or Master
† Session includes oral presentations of key abstracts
08h00-10h15
CAG Symposium: IBD - Managing Biologics

Baron Shaughnessy

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session, participants will be able to:
1. Address pharmacokinetic, immunogenicity, efficacy and safety considerations related to the use of biosimilars in IBD;
2. Compare different strategies to optimize the use of biologic therapy (therapeutic drug monitoring, premedication, combotherapy);
3. Identify and manage vulnerable patient populations at increased risk of treatment-emergent adverse events.

Optimize Efficacy
Waqqas Afif, McGill University

Optimize Safety
Jennifer Jones, Dalhousie University

Biosimilars – How do we make sure that we use them properly?
Niels Vande Casteele, University of California, San Diego

Small Group Discussion: 9:30am until 10:15am
For this second segment faculty and delegates will divide into two groups/rooms (Baron Shaughnessy and Sir Edward Beatty) for 45-minute, highly-interactive small group sessions/discussion related to the three presentations from the preceding symposium.

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08h45-10h15
CASL Symposium: Primary Biliary Cholangitis/Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis

D.C. Coleman

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify opportunities to utilize emerging treatments in the management of PBC and PSC;
2. Understand the impact of IBD biologics in PSC and understanding their emerging therapies;
3. Describe the characteristics of non-responders to ursodeoxycholic acid and understand the alternative targets for therapy.

Biologics for PSC
Bertus Eksteen, University of Calgary

Urso Non-Responders, What to Do? New Therapies
Christopher Bowlus, UC Davis Medical Group, Sacramento, California

Predicting Mortality for Patients with PBC or PSC – Biomarkers and Beyond
Andrew Mason, University of Alberta

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10h45-12h15
CAG Symposium: Rapid Fire Journal Review

Baron Shaughnessy

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be:
1. Familiar with many of the highest impact articles in clinical gastroenterology in 2016;
2. Able to decide whether selected publications answer their clinical needs;
3. Able to see if they agree with their peers.

Faculty: Philip Sherman, University of Toronto and Laura Targownik, University of Manitoba

Use a clicker to vote on multiple-choice questions and test your knowledge of the key papers and findings from 2016!

Claim either 1.5 Section One credits or 6 Section Three credits. This activity is an Accredited Self-Assessment Program (Section 3) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of The Royal College, and approved by the CAG.

In Memoriam

A moment of silence will be held at the CAG Annual General Meeting to recognize the members who have passed during the twelve months leading up to CDDW™.

To advise the CAG of any members passing, please contact the National Office by emailing general@cag-acg.org.

J. Richard Hamilton
March 8, 1934-April 19, 2016
Montréal, QC

Jan Irvine
Toronto, ON
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