Welcome to CDDW™ 2020!
The Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG) is excited to welcome you to Canadian Digestive Diseases Week™ (CDDW™) 2020.

CDDW™ is Canada’s premier education, research, and networking event for the field of gastroenterology and hepatology. Please visit our many exhibitors showcasing their latest products, services and promotional materials. Don’t forget to purchase your ticket for Sunday’s CDDW™ Gala.

Network Hall
- Nutrition break refreshments and lunches
- Lounges that feature device charging stations and iPads with the latest in educational videos.
- Opening Reception on Friday, February 28th at 17h30 - complimentary drinks, hors d’oeuvres.

We will be featuring the Posters of Distinction in the Foyer on the Convention Floor. Authors will be presenting their posters in poster session 2 on Sunday.

CAG Special Interest Groups (SIGs) will be held Saturday and Sunday morning. Experts from across Canada can have productive, un-interrupted, face-to-face meetings and workshops to advance and improve specialized areas of gastroenterology.

Trainees, make sure you check out the exciting new features at the Trainee Mixer! This year test your skills at the new Virtual Reality station, get your professional head shot done, and enjoy complimentary snacks and drinks!

CDDW™ offers both clinical and basic science sessions, including the trademark sessions noted next. Providing quality care has been a focus for this year’s educational topic selection.

Richard D. McKenna Memorial Lecture
Named after the founder of the Association, this prestigious lecture features an international leader in *H. pylori* and cancer biology. Dr. Richard Peek, Vanderbilt University, USA is this year’s recipient and speaker at the Richard D. McKenna Memorial Lecture on Saturday, February 29th at 17h30. Don’t miss it!

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

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

Small Group Sessions
Offer interactive time with leaders in the field in a small group learning format.

Hands-on Skills and Techniques

Pre-registration required

Enjoy. Learn. Interact and network! Please remember to complete your evaluations so we can ensure CDDW™ 2021 in Banff, is an even better educational experience!

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WIFI Password
Select: Fairmont Meetings Network
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All core sessions of CDDW™ will be held at the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth. Registration Desk hours – Mezzanine level

Thursday, February 27 15h00-18h00
Friday, February 28 07h00-17h00
Saturday, February 29 07h30-17h00
Sunday, March 1 07h30-15h00

NETWORK HALL HOURS
Network Hall is located in the Place du Canada & Square Dorchester and will be open as follows:

Friday, February 28 09h30-18h30
Saturday, February 29 10h30-15h30
Sunday, March 1 10h30-15h30

SPEAKER READY ROOM
Please note that all speakers are asked to present themselves at the Speaker Ready Room, Sherbrooke room, at least four hours before their presentation.

Speaker Ready Room Hours

February 27 16h00-18h00
February 28 07h00-17h00
February 29 07h30-17h00
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NO presentation preparation/loading for plenary sessions will be permitted to take place in rooms Duluth/Van Horne, AV Laurier, and AV Viger. Small group presentations may be loaded in their designated rooms.

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The following members of the Implementation Committee have indicated that they do not have potential conflicts of interest to disclose:

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Waschke, Kevin: Pendopharm (Advisory Board, Speaker)

The following members of the Implementation Committee have indicated that they do have potential conflicts of interest to disclose:

Jones, Nicola

Speaker disclosures may be found at https://www.cag-acg.org/cddw

The CDDW™ Black and White Gala – Sunday, March 1st 20h00 – 23h30

Come celebrate with friends and colleagues at the CDDW™ 2020 Gala. Step into the one of a kind C2 Space on the 21st floor of the Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth for a true Montréal experience. Overlooking the city you’ll experience food and beverage inspired by Montréal’s famous culinary scene, dance the night away with local entertainment, explore this unique space and commemorate the evening with a stop at the photo experience.

Dress Code (optional): Black and white, fancy or casual!

Tickets: $100.00 CAD, plus tax includes reception dinner and drink tickets.

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 definitions, visit:

http://www.royalcollege.ca/rcsite/canmeds/canmeds-framework-e

ACCREDITATION

The CDDW™ Meeting is an accredited group learning activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) and approved by the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG). This meeting is approved for a maximum of 24 Section one credits.

This program has received an educational grant or in-kind support from those sponsors listed on the back cover of the program.

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

The 2020 CDDW™ is endorsed by:

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AGM (Annual general meeting); EoE (Eosinophilic Esophagitis); GI (Gastrointestinal); IBD (Inflammatory Bowel Disease); JCAG (Journal of the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology); NASPGHAN (North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition)
OVERALL LEARNING OBJECTIVE FOR CDDW™ 2020
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™ 2020 that do not list individual objectives.

POSTGRADUATE COURSE
Specialists may be defined by their knowledge of the leading-edge issues in gastroenterology and hepatology. The Postgraduate Course is intended to bring you up to date on developments in selected areas and get you ready for the challenges of 2020.

08h00-09h30  POSTGRADUATE COURSE: Approaches to Gastrointestinal Bleeding  Duluth & Van Horne

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Be able to investigate and manage patients with obscure GI bleeding;
2. Recognize the appearance and recommend effective therapies for congenital vascular malformations;
3. Be able to appropriately manage anticoagulant and antiplatelet agents pre- and post-endoscopy.

Co-Chairs: Daniel Sadowski*, University of Alberta and Christopher Teshima, University of Toronto

- Congenital vascular malformations
  Victor Fox, Harvard University

- Obscure approach
  Christopher Teshima, University of Toronto

- Anticoagulation
  Daniel Sadowski*, University of Alberta

08h00-09h30  †CAG Selected Clinical Presentations  AV. Laurier

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 gastrointestinal illness

Co-Chairs: Alan Barkun*, McGill University and Jennifer deBruyn, University of Calgary

- COLONOSCOPY FINDINGS FOLLOWING A FECAL IMMUNOCHEMICAL TEST: A RETROSPECTIVE STUDY ASSESSING THE SCREENING TEST PERFORMANCE (abstract 1)

  M. Delisle1, L. Tremblay-Sirois1, M. Proulx1, F. Trotter-Tellier1, M. Martel1, C. Ménard1
  1. Gastro-entérologie adulte, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada; 2. McGill University Health Center, Montréal, QC, Canada

- THE BOWEL CLEANSING NATIONAL INITIATIVE (BCLEAN): PREDICTORS OF INADEQUATE BOWEL PREPARATION (abstract 2)

  A.N. Barkun1, M. Martel1, I.L. Epstein2, P. Hallet3, R.J. Hilsden4, P. James5, A. Rostom5, M. Sey6, H. Singh6, R. Sultanian5, J.J. Telford5, D. Von Renteln11

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TREATMENT IN DISPROPORTIONATELY MINORITY HOSPITALS IS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INCREASED MORTALITY IN END STAGE LIVER DISEASE (abstract 3)

A.S. Alotaibi1, M. Brahmania1, O. Mooney2, B. Rushi
1. Western University, London, ON, Canada; 2. University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

A FRAMEWORK TO STUDY INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE AMONG INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA (abstract 4)

1. Department of Community Health & Epidemiology, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada; 2. Muskoday First Nation, Muskoday, SK, Canada; 3. Indigenous Services Canada, Regina, SK, Canada; 4. James Smith Cree Nation, Kinistino, SK, Canada; 5. Crohn’s and Colitis Canada, Saskatoon, SK, Canada; 6. One Arrow First Nation, Bellevue, SK, Canada; 7. York Factory First Nation, York Factory, MB, Canada; 8. School of Public Health, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada; 9. Department of Medicine, University Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada; 10. Department of Indigenous Studies, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada; 11. Department of Psychology, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada

ADMISSION AND RE-ADMISSION FOR UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL BLEEDING ARE MORE COMMON IN REGIONS UNDERREPRESENTED BY GASTROENTEROLOGISTS: A POPULATION BASED COHORT STUDY (abstract 5)

J.H. Charette1, J. Stach1, D. Tanyingoh1, S. Coward2, S. Jelinski1, E. Lang1, S. van Zanten2, L. Morrin1, L. Reeb1, D. Grigat1, H. Hair1, K.L. Novak4, G.G. Kaplan5
1. Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada; 2. University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada; 3. University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 4. Gastroenterology, University of Calgary, Calgary AB, AB, Canada; 5. Medicine and Community Health Sciences, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada

EFFECTS OF ELUXADOLINE TREATMENT ON ABDOMINAL AND BOWEL SYMPTOMS IN PATIENTS WITH IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME WITH DIARRHEA REPORTING INADEQUATE SYMPTOM CONTROL WITH LOPERAMIDE: AGGREGATED RESULTS FROM PHASE 3 AND 4 CLINICAL TRIALS (abstract 6)

D.M. Brenner1, G. Sayuk2, M. Saeed3, P. Janiszewski3, L.W. Liu4
1. Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL; 2. Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis, MO; 3. Allergan Inc, Toronto, ON, Canada; 4. Toronto Western Hospital, University Health Network, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

09h30-15h00  NETWORK HALL and e-LEARNING LOUNGE  Place du Canada & Square Dorchester

09h30-10h00  Nutrition Break (Network Hall)  Place du Canada & Square Dorchester

10h00-11h30  POSTGRADUATE COURSE  Complications of Acute-on-Chronic Liver Failure  Duluth & Van Horne

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
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Co-Chairs: Florence Wong, University of Toronto and Philip Wong, McGill University

- Encephalopathy
  Philip Wong, McGill University

- Portal Hypertension
  Julien Bissonnette, Université de Montréal

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CAG STUDENT PRIZE PAPER PRESENTATIONS

**Hepatorenal**
Florence Wong, University of Toronto

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Co-Chairs: Nathalie Perreault, Université de Sherbrooke and Bruce Vallance, University of British Columbia

**CAG Student Prize**
DEVELOPING NEW TOOLS TO IDENTIFY NOVELS TARGETS TO OVERCOME TREATMENT RESISTANCE IN ESOPHAGEAL CANCER (**abstract 7**)
J. Douchin, N. Lemaire, E. Kérignard, V. Giroux
Anatomie et biologie cellulaire, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada

**CAG Student Prize**
KEY ROLE FOR FOXL1+-TELOCYTES BMP SIGNALING IN MICROENVIRONMENT INTEGRITY PROTECTING AGAINST GASTRIC NEOPLASIA (**abstract 8**)
A.B. Alfonso1, C. Ouellet1, V. Reyes-Nicolas2, N. Perreault3
1. Anatomy and Cell Biology, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada; 2. Anatomie et biologie cellulaire, Université de Sherbrooke Sherbrooke, QC, Canada; 3. Anatomie et Biologie Cellulaire, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada

**CAG Postdoctoral Prize**
BACTERIAL BILE SALT HYDROLASE GENE ABUNDANCE IS ASSOCIATED WITH RORC GENE EXPRESSION IN INTESTINAL MUCOSA OF INFLAMMATORY DISEASE PATIENTS (**abstract 9**)
C. Hernandez-Rocha1, K. Borowski2, W. Turpin2, M. Smith2, J. Stempak2, M.S. Silverberg3
1. Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada; 2. Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute, Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, ON, Canada

**CAG Student Prize**
TR1 CELL-BASED THERAPY FOR INFLAMMATORY ILEITIS IN SHIP-/- MICE (**abstract 10**)
D. Lisko1, S. Menzies1, L.M. Sly2, T. Steiner1
1. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada; 2. Pediatrics, UBC, Vancouver, BC, Canada

**CAG Postdoctoral Prize**
MICROBIAL AND METABOLOMIC PROFILES IDENTIFY SUBSETS OF DIARRHEA PREDOMINANT IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME (**abstract 11**)
S.M. Bennet1, G. De Palma2, P. Bercik3, A.E. Lomax4, S. Vanner2, D.E. Reed5
1. GIDRU, Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada; 2. queen's , Kignston, ON, Canada; 3. GIDRU Wing, Kingston General Hospital, Kingston, ON, Canada; 4. Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada; 5. McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada; 6. Medicine, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada

**CAG Student Prize**
SKIN EXPOSURE TO NARROW BAND UVB LIGHT MODULATES THE HUMAN INTESTINAL MICROBIOME (**abstract 12**)
E.S. Bosman1, A.Y. Albert2, J.P. Dutz2, B. Vallance2
1. Experimental medicine, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada; 2. BC Children's Hospital, Vancouver, BC, Canada; 3. B.C. Woman's hospital, Vancouver, BC, Canada

10h00-11h30

SMALL GROUP SESSION

**Hands-on Skills and Techniques (pre-registration required)**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:

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1. Appreciate the role of conscious competence in enabling the acquisition and enhancement of endoscopic skills
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3. Appreciate the importance of planning and preparation in performing endoscopic interventions safely and effectively

**Video Capsule Endoscopy**  
Robert Enns, University of British Columbia

**Esophageal Stenting**  
Richard Sultanian*, University of Alberta

**SEE™**  
Donald MacIntosh, Dalhousie University and Mark Borgaonkar*, Memorial University

**Polypectomy**  
Alaa Rostom, University of Ottawa and Robert Berger*, Dalhousie University

**Hemostasis**  
Eric Greenwald, McMaster University and Sandra Nelles, University of Toronto

**ERCP Cannulation**  
Charles Ménard, Université de Sherbrooke and Dana Farina, Dalhousie University

11h30-12h30  
Lunch (Network Hall)  
Place du Canada & Square Dorchester

12h30-14h30  
POSTGRADUATE COURSE  
Duluth & Van Horne

**Case-based Problems**

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Distinguish between refractory and non-refractory celiac disease;
2. Be able to use genetic testing appropriately to diagnose celiac disease or rule it out;
3. Know the appropriate tests to order for diagnosis of gastroparesis evaluation;
4. Understand treatment options of gastroparesis: medical and endoscopic, on and off label

Co-Chairs: Martha Dirks, University of Montréal, and Mark MacMillan*, Dalhousie University

- Difficult celiac  
Peggy Marcon, University of Toronto

- Gastroparesis evaluation  
Adriana Lazarescu*, University of Alberta

- IBS: differential diagnosis  
Louis Liu*, University of Toronto

12h30-14h30  
WORKSHOP:  
AV Laurier

**Career Development**

**Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Identify the pathways that can lead to academic positions, appreciate the challenges associated with becoming an academic researcher, and understand the roles of academic researchers within institution;
2. Understand what a career transition to industry would entail;
3. Identify challenges and opportunities in community gastroenterology, and have an approach to starting a community practice.

Co-Chairs: Yasmin Nasser*, University of Toronto and Maria Ines Pinto Sanchez, McMaster University

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Nutrition Break (Network Hall)  Place du Canada & Square Dorchester

15h00-16h30

POSTGRADUATE COURSE  Duluth & Van Horne

Biologics and Precision Medicine in Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Learn about the current and future landscape of biological agents and their biosimilars for IBD;
2. Gain a broad understanding of the changing role of immunosuppressive agents in managing IBD with current and future available biologics;
3. Understand the current role of therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM) in clinical practice and how to adjust biologics accordingly.

Co-Chairs: Wael El-Matary, University of Manitoba and Laura Targownik*, University of Toronto

- Experience with biosimilars: lessons learned and future outlook
  Peter Lakatos, University of McGill

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28

15h00-16h30

† SYMPOSIUM:

**Mucosal Immunology**  

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand the molecular mechanisms controlling T cell homeostasis at mucosal surfaces;
2. Understand the advantages of high-resolution mass cytometry for immune profiling of IBD patients;
3. Understand the molecular mechanisms of host-microbe interaction of intestinal T cells.

Co-Chairs: Jörg Fritz, McGill University and Arthur Mortha, University of Toronto

- A bile acid-responsive transcriptional program in mucosal lymphocytes regulates T cell function and inflammation in the ileum  
  Mark Sundrud, Scripps Research Institute
- High-dimensional analysis of immune responses in diseases affecting the digestive organs  
  Aida Habtezion, Stanford University
- The role of antigen-specificity in host-microbial mutualism  
  Markus Geuking, University of Calgary

**ESSENTIAL ROLE FOR BMP SIGNALING IN FOXL1+-TELOCYTES FOR PROPER EPITHELIAL RECOVERY FOLLOWING INJURY (abstract 13)**

V. Reyes-Nicolas¹, V. Pomerleau², P. Garde¹, N. Perreault²  
¹. Anatomie et biologie cellulaire, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada; ². Anatomie et Biologie Cellulaire, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada

16h30-17h30

CAG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  

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17h30-18h30

CDDW™ OPENING RECEPTION  

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 the time to get to know the exhibitors and their offerings, and catch up with colleagues while enjoying complimentary drinks and hors d’oeuvres. Give a note of thanks to our sponsors and exhibitors as, without their critical support, this meeting would not be possible!

18h30-20h00

TRAINEE MIXER  

We are offering trainees the opportunity to mix and mingle with others who are at a similar stage in their career development. We respectfully ask that only trainees take part in this mixer. Light snacks and beverages will be served. Enjoy some Virtual Reality fun and get a professional head shot done! You may use a CDDW™ drink ticket or cash bar for beverages.
08h30-10h30

†SYMPOSIUM: AV Laurier
Intestinal Microbiome: Composition, diversity, and resilience

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand how microbial metabolism can effect host immune function;
2. Assess the importance of high diversity in the response to perturbations;
3. Analyze the response of microbiota composition and diversity in health and gut disease;
4. Predict the effect of decrease in microbiome diversity to intestinal health.

Co-Chairs: Kathy McCoy, University of Calgary and Carolina Tropini, University of British Columbia

- Composition
  Kathy McCoy, University of Calgary

- Diversity
  David Relman, Stanford University

- Resilience
  Carolina Tropini, University of British Columbia

GUT-RESIDING BACTERIA CAN SHAPE HOST DRUG METABOLISM IN THE SMALL INTESTINE THROUGH AN INNATE LYMPHOID CELL-IL-22 DRIVEN AXIS (abstract 14)
K.L. Flannigan1, M. Johnston1, S.L. Erickson2, K. Nieves3, H. Jijon1, M. Gallo1, K. McCoy1, S.A. Hirota2
1. University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada; 2. Physiology & Pharmacology, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada; 3. Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada

MICROBES MEDIATE FIBER-INDUCED INFLAMMATION IN IBD (abstract 15)
1. University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 2. Physiology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 3. Medicine, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 4. Pediatric Gastroenterology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 5. Pediatrics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada; 6. Pediatrics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada

09h00-10h30

SYMPOSIUM Duluth & Van Horne
Tips and Tricks for Esophageal Endoscopy

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Recognize foci of dysplasia in Barrett's mucosa;
2. Manage low and high grade dysplasia in Barrett's mucosa;
3. Be familiar with an emerging endoscopic technique for the ablation of Barrett's mucosa (hybrid APc).

Co-Chairs: Judy Dorais, Université de Montréal and Charles Ménard, Université de Sherbrooke

- Treatment of Barrett's Esophagus
  Daniel von Renteln, Université de Montréal

- Finding Dysplasia
  Judy Dorais, Université de Montréal

- Difficult polyps
  Kevin Waschke, McGill University

- Stricture dilation
  Charles Ménard, Université de Sherbrooke

* American College of Gastroenterology Fellow or Master
† Session includes oral presentations of key abstracts
### HINDA KOPELMAN MEMORIAL LECTURE

**Making Inroads Into Drug-inducing Pancreatitis**

**Learning Objectives**

At the end of this session participants will be able to:

1. Recognize the burden of drug-induced pancreatitis in children and the commonly associated drugs;
2. Evaluate the causality assessments for drug-induced pancreatitis;
3. Review management guidelines for drug-induced pancreatitis in children;
4. Probe new developments into the mechanisms underlying the development of asparaginase-associated pancreatitis.

Sohail Husain, Stanford University

### NETWORK HALL and e-LEARNING LOUNGE

**Place du Canada & Square Dorchester**

10h30-15h30

**Nutrition Break (Network Hall)**

11h00-11h40

**SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (See details on pages 21-25)**

- **Cannabis**
- **Communications in an Electronic Era**
- **Physician Burnout**
- **Anal Fistula: From origins to the future**
- **Biliary Drainage**
- **Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis**
- **Hepatitis C**
- **Foreign Body: Tips and tricks**
- **Irritable Bowel Syndrome**

### Break

11h40-11h50

11h50-12h30

**SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (See details on pages 21-25)**

- **Interpreting High Resolution Manometry**
- **Disclosure and Resilience Following an Adverse Event**
- **Drug Induced Colitis**
- **Screening for Barrett’s Esophagus**
- **Chronic Pancreatitis**
- **Abnormal Liver Function Tests Liver Biopsy**
- **Interpreting Fibroscan**
- **Assessing Nutritional Status**
- **Gastric Intestinal Metaplasia and Early Gastric Cancer**

### Lunch (Network Hall)

**Place du Canada & Square Dorchester**

12h30-13h30

### JOINT CAG/NASPGHAN SYMPOSIUM

**Duluth & Van Horne**

**Updates in Treating Eosinophilic Esophagitis**

**Learning Objectives**

At the end of this session participants will be able to:

1. Understand what is new in the pathophysiology of the disease;
2. Understand what is new in the diagnosis and management of the disease.

Co-Chairs: Benjamin Gold*, Children’s Center for Digestive Healthcare and Nicola Jones, University of Toronto

- What's new in the pathophysiology of disease
  Jonathan Spergel, University of Pennsylvania

- Diagnosis
  Vishal Avinashi, University of British Columbia

- Management
  Christopher Ma*, University of Calgary

13h30-15h00  
SYMPOSIUM  
Hepatology Update for the Gastroenterologist

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Update the trends and indications for liver transplants in Canada;
2. Provide updates on the knowledge of alcoholic and non-alcoholic fatty liver diseases.

Co-Chairs: Mar Miserachs, University of Toronto Julie Zhu, Dalhousie University

- Non-alcoholic Steatohepatitis
  Saumya Jayakumar, University of Calgary

- Alcoholic Hepatitis
  Nazia Selzner, University of Toronto

- Indications for transplant
  Mamatha Bhat, McGill University

13h30-15h00  
†SYMPOSIUM  
Revisiting Neutrophils and Innate Immunity in Gastrointestinal Diseases

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Comprehensively understand the re-emergence of neutrophil functions in IBD and colorectal cancer;
2. Appreciate the important cross-talk between innate and adaptive immune cells in the maintenance of homeostasis

Co-Chairs: Fernand-Pierre Gendron, Université de Sherbrooke and Fernando Lopes, McGill University

- Neutrophils and IBD in the context of inflammation
  Martin Pelletier, Université Laval

- Using the chemistry behind host-worm parasite interactions to modulate innate immunity and treat colitis
  Fernando Lopes, McGill University

- TBA
  Maria Sibilia, University of Vienna

ROLE OF MYELOID CELLS IN THE INITIATION OF COLITIS-ASSOCIATED COLON CANCER (abstract 16)
A.E. Shin1, H.J. Good2, Y. Tesfagorgis1, L. Zhang1, S.M. Kerfoot3, P.M. Sherman3, T.C. Wang4, S. Asfaha1
1. Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Western Ontario, London, ON, Canada; 2. University of Western Ontario, London, ON, Canada; 3. The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, ON, Canada; 4. Columbia University, New York, NY

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ASSOCIATION BETWEEN HOST INFLAMMATION-RELATED PROTEOMICS AND GUT MICROBIOME IN HEALTHY FIRST-DEGREE RELATIVES OF CROHN'S DISEASE PATIENTS (abstract 17)

J. Raygoza Garay¹, W. Turpin², M. Smith³, A. Goethel⁴, D.S. Guttman¹, K. Croitoru⁴
¹. Medicine, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada; 2. University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada; 3. Immunology, University of Toronto, Faculty of Medicine, Toronto, ON, Canada; 4. Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, ON, Canada

17h00-17h30 MCKENNA RECEPTION
17h30-18h30 R.D. MCKENNA MEMORIAL LECTURE
Disruptive and Enabling Relationships That Promote Helicobacter pylori-induced Gastric Cancer
Richard Peek*, Vanderbilt University
Immediately preceding the McKenna Lecture we will recognize our Distinguished Service awardees

18h30-20h00 POSTER SESSION 1
Join authors and colleagues in relaxed and informative discussions while enjoying beverages and light snacks.
SUNDAY MARCH 1

08h30-10h30

SYMPOSIUM:
New Methodologies for Gastrointestinal Research
AV Laurier

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Discuss imaging techniques for highly-multiplexed microscopy allowing quantitative visualization of complex cellular phenotypes and positioning in 2D and 3D tissues, discussion will focus on methods to analyze complex patterns of cellular localization using novel Image Informatics approaches. At the end of the session, participants should be able to understand the landscape of modern imaging technologies and their implications for biomedical research;
2. Recognize that digital images are at risk of inappropriate or even fraudulent representation in optical microscopy experiments, describe good practices when working with digital imaging data in optical microscopy, list some examples of inappropriate image manipulation that can occur in optical microscopy; and identify and access educational resources for learning more about digital imaging and analysis in optical microscopy.

Co-Chairs: Simon Hirota, University of Calgary and Lisa Osborne, University of British Columbia

• Novel imaging methods to study organization of immune cells in tissues
  Michael Gerner, University of Washington

• Components of a well-controlled imaging-based study
  Pina Colarusso, University of Calgary

BUILDING BETTER ENTEROIDs: A NOVEL STRATEGY FOR ENRICHING SECRETORY EPITHELIAL CELL SUBTYPES (abstract 18)
F.E. Davies1, S.M. Crowley2, K. Tsi3, M. Diaz Gomez2, X. Han4, B. Vallance4
1. Pediatrics, BC Children's Hospital Research Institute, Vancouver, BC, Canada; 2. Pediatrics, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada; 3. Pediatrics, BCCHR, Burnaby, BC, Canada; 4. BC Children's Hospital, Vancouver, BC, Canada

NOVEL HLA-DQ2 TRANSGENIC MICE DEVELOP GLUTEN-IMMUNOPATHOLOGY FOLLOWING GLUTEN SENSITIZATION
A.V. Clarizio1, H.J. Galipeau1, J. Jury1, L. Rondeau1, J. Godbout1, L. Williams2, B. Anderson3, E. Verdu1
1. Farncombe Family Digestive Health Research Institute, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada; 2. ImmunsanT, Inc., Cambridge, MA; 3. Walter & Eliza Hall, Parkville, Victoria, Australia

09h00-10h30

JOINT CAG/JCAG SYMPOSIUM
Is There a Future for Medical Publishing?
Duluth & Van Horne

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand current state of the medical publishing industry;
2. Describe new trends in print and online publishing;
3. Understand how to be a successful author in the changing publication industry.

Co-Chairs: Nicola Jones, University of Toronto and John Marshall, McMaster University

• Keynote
  David Crotty, Oxford University Press

• Expert Panel Discussion
  David Crotty, Oxford University Press, Paul Moayyedi*, McMaster University, and Richard Peek*, Vanderbilt University

• Thomson-Williams award, best paper
  Gastroscopy should come before colonoscopy using CO2 insufflation in same day bidirectional endoscopies- a randomized controlled trial.
  Lawrence Hookey*, Queen's University

• Thomson-Williams award, best paper runner up
  Directly mailing gFOBT kits to previous responders being recalled for colorectal cancer screening increases participation
  Jill Tinmouth, University of Toronto
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Managing Viral Hepatitis | AV Viger                        |
|          | **Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to:  
1. Understand how to manage viral hepatitis |                                |
|          | Co-Chairs: Jordan Feld, University of Toronto and TBA  
- Pediatric Hepatitis  
  Simon Ling, University of Toronto  
- Hepatitis B  
  Jordan Feld, University of Toronto  
- Hepatocellular Carcinoma  
  TBA |                                |
| 10h30-15h30 | NETWORK HALL and e-LEARNING LOUNGE  
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| 10h30-11h00 | Nutrition Break (Network Hall)  
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| 11h00-11h40 | SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (See details on pages 21-25)  
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|          | Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Extraintestinal Manifestation  
  Crescent  
Bile Salt Malabsorption  
  Mansfield  
Autoimmune Pancreatitis  
  Notre Denis  
Intestinal Stem Cell: Development and repair during IBD and colon cancer  
  Saint Denis  
Evaluation of Suspected Food Allergies  
  Saint Paul  
Autoimmune Liver Disease  
  Parenthese  
Hepatitis B  
  Arobase  
Cholestatic Liver Disease  
  Exclamation  
Functional Gastrointestinal Disease  
  McGill |                                |
| 11h40-11h50 | Break |                                |
| 11h50-12h30 | SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (See details on pages 21-25)  
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|          | Short Gut  
  Crescent  
Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease Management  
  Mansfield  
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Complications of IBD Therapy  
  Notre Denis  
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  Saint Paul  
Non-alcoholic Steatohepatitis (NASH)  
  Parenthese  
Varices Management  
  Arobase  
Acute Liver Failure: Pediatric  
  Exclamation |                                |
| 12h30-13h30 | Lunch (Network Hall)  
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| 13h30-15h00 | SYMPOSIUM  
Small Bowel Imaging Techniques | Duluth & Van Horne |
|          | **Learning Objectives:**  
At the end of this session participants will be able to: |                                |

* American College of Gastroenterology Fellow or Master  
† Session includes oral presentations of key abstracts
1. Recognize the utility of enteroscopy, capsule endoscopy and radiologic imaging in evaluating the small bowel;
2. Understand the role of therapeutic interventions in the small bowel;
3. Appreciate differences in the investigation and treatment of small bowel diseases based on regional; variation, availability of technology, and pediatric consideration.

Co-Chairs: Sally Lawrence, University of British Columbia and Michael Sey, Western University

- Imaging
  Peter Church, University of Toronto

- Enteroscopy
  Constantine Soulellis, McGill University

- VCC
  Robert Enns, University of British Columbia
  George Ou, University of British Columbia

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15h30-17h00  SYMPOSIUM  Duluth & Van Horne

**New Methods of Endoscopy in IBD Management**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Describe the efficacy of endoscopic dilation among IBD patients;
2. Understand the utility and application of image enhanced endoscopy techniques for neoplasia surveillance in IBD;

Co-Chairs: Sanjay Murthy, University of Ottawa and Sophie Plamondon, Université de Sherbrooke
- Stricture dilation
  Clarence Wong, University of Alberta
- Chromotherapy
  Sanjay Murthy, University of Ottawa
- Post-operative surveillance
  Sophie Plamondon, Université de Sherbrooke

15h30-17h00  SYMPOSIUM  AV Viger

**Detecting and Managing Gastric Cancer**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Understand the mechanisms of gastric cancer
2. Understand gastric cancer screening and detection
3. Understand gastric cancer prevention and reduction

Co-Chairs: Yen-I Chen*, McGill University and Sander Veldhuyzen van Zanten, University of Alberta
- *Helicobacter pylori*-induced gastric cancer: mechanisms
  Richard Peek*, Vanderbilt University
- Gastric cancer screening and detection
  Christopher Teshima, University of Toronto
- Prevention and reduction
  Sander Veldhuyzen van Zanten, University of Alberta

15h30-17h00  SYMPOSIUM  AV Laurier

**Light up my Gut**

**Learning Objectives:**
At the end of this session participants will be able to:
1. Discuss the impact of light and vitamin D in Inflammatory bowel diseases;
2. Recognize new directions in research into the role of circadian gene during the development of gut inflammation;
3. Understand the complexity of circadian rhythms in modulation of gut inflammation.

Co-Chairs: Jean Eric Ghia, University of Manitoba and Waliul Khan, McMaster University
- A matter of timing: testing the role of the circadian cook gene BMAL1 during inflammation
  Philip Karpowicz, University of Windsor
- Vitamin D and Crohn's disease: in the lab and in the clinic
  John H. White, McGill University
- It's about time: sleep and circadian hygiene in IBD
  Garth Swanson, Rush University
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VITAMIN D SUPPLEMENTATION REDUCES THE OCCURRENCE OF COLORECTAL POLYPS IN HIGH-LATITUDE LOCATIONS. (abstract 20)

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<td>Learning Objectives: 1. To understand the legal, ethical and clinical implications of electronic communication with patients via email, EHR portals, and text messages; 2. To develop an approach to communication with patients and the public using social media; 3. To describe the evolution of the virtual care technologies in medicine and its growing medical-legal impact on the clinical practice.</td>
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<td>Learning Objectives: 1. Demonstrate knowledge of the pathways leading to gastric intestinal metaplasia and the risk of progression to cancer; 2. Understand the methodology and importance of adequate endoscopic and histologic assessment of the stomach; 3. Integrate pathologic, endoscopic and clinical information for optimizing prevention and treatment for early gastric adenocarcinoma. Speakers: Ernst Kuipers, Erasmus University and Catherine Streutker, University of Toronto</td>
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| Learning Objectives: 1. Discuss the impact of mental health on disease course in IBD; 2. Discuss how extraintestinal manifestations impact on medication choice in IBD; 3. Discuss special aspects of extraintestinal manifestations in IBD.  
Speakers: Charles Bernstein*, University of Manitoba and Mary Sherlock, McMaster University |         |
| **BILE SALT MALABSORPTION**                                                        | Mansfield|
| Learning Objectives: 1. Recognize the clinical scenarios with an increased probability for bile acid diarrhea; 2. Utilize available tools to make a diagnosis of bile acid diarrhea; 3. Embark on an effective treatment regimen for bile acid diarrhea.  
Speakers: Daniel Sadowski*, University of Alberta and Frances Tse, McMaster University |         |
| **AUTOIMMUNE PANCREATITIS**                                                        | Saint Denis|
| Learning Objectives: 1. Differentiate the types of AIP; 2. Know the diagnostic workup for AIP; 3. Have an approach to the management of AIP in paediatric and adult populations.  
Speakers: Tanja Gonska, University of Toronto and Brian Yan, Western University |         |
| **INTESTINAL STEM CELL: DEVELOPMENT AND REPAIR DURING IBD AND COLON CANCER**       | Notre Dame|
| Learning Objectives: 1. Define the role of intestinal stem cells in the development of IBD, colon cancer and colitis-associated colon cancer; 2. Understand the advantage and inconvenience of the gold standard technique in stem cell biology research.  
Speakers: Samuel Asfaha, Western University and Véronique Giroux, Université de Sherbrooke |         |
| **EVALUATION OF SUSPECTED FOOD ALLERGIES**                                         | Saint Paul|
| Learning Objectives: 1. Present a typical case of possible food allergy; 2. Answer questions about food allergy.  
Speaker: Emil Nashi, McGill University |         |
| **AUTOIMMUNE LIVER DISEASE**                                                        | Parenthese|
| Learning Objectives: 1. Understand the pathophysiology of autoimmune liver disease and have an appreciation of the genetic and environmental influences on the disease; 2. Discuss the current strategies to diagnose and treat patients with autoimmune liver disease.  
Speakers: Hin Hin Ko*, University of British Columbia and Andrew Mason, University of Alberta |         |
| **HEPATITIS B**                                                                    | Arobase|
| Learning Objectives:1. Understand the natural history of chronic HBV; 2. Determine the optimal timing for starting antiviral therapy to reduce HBV infection complications; 3. Determine when HBV treatment can be stopped  
Speaker: Mang Ma, University of Alberta |         |
| **CHOLESTATIC LIVER DISEASE**                                                       | Exclamation|
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Speakers: Orlee Guttman, University of British Columbia and Samuya Jayakumar, University of Calgary |         |
| **FUNCTIONAL GASTROINTESTINAL DISEASE**                                            | McGill|
| Learning Objectives: 1. Recognize the continuum of clinical presentations of functional constipation and irritable bowel syndrome in pediatric patients; 2. Identify psychosocial factors that play a role in the genesis/exacerbation of pediatric IBS; 3. Describe management approaches, both pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic, used in the care of pediatric patients with IBS.  
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BREACKFAST GASTRO EXPO SESSIONS
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THIRD FLOOR 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.

*Space is limited! Complimentary Breakfast Provided!*

**SATURDAY**  Janssen Breakfast Gastro Expo – Exclamation Room 322

*Shifting the Focus – Ustekinumab in Ulcerative Colitis*

Dr. Reena Khanna and Dr. Waqqas Afif

**SATURDAY**  Pfizer Breakfast Gastro Expo - Diése Room 321

*A Paradigm Shift in Iron Deficiency Anemia Management*

Dr. A. Hillary Steinhart, MD MSc FRCP(C) Gastroenterologist, Mount Sinai Hospital IBD Centre

Dr. Michael Auerbach, MD, FACP Hematologist, Baltimore, Maryland

**SUNDAY**  Pendopharm Breakfast Gastro Expo - Arobase Room 318

*Latest Trends in the Management of Complex Colorectal Polyps*

Dr. Clarence Wong and Dr. Alaa Rostom

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The Changing Face of Gastroenterology: The importance of diversity in leadership

Sunday March 1, 07h00-08h30 in AV. Viger

This special session will explore the current landscape of leadership in gastroenterology, challenges and strategies related to diversity in leadership, and what the future might look like.

Learning Objectives:
At the end of this session participants will be able to:

1. Review the current state of representation in leadership positions within the field of gastroenterology in Canada;
2. Identify barriers for successful representation;
3. Identify opportunities for engagement and improvement.

Co-Chairs: Natasha Bollegala, University of Toronto and Nadia Griller, University of Toronto

The Importance of Diversity in Medicine
Nadia Griller, University of Toronto

Women and Visible Minorities in Gastroenterology, Where do we Stand?
Natasha Bollegala, University of Toronto

Expert Panel Discussion
Nicola Jones, University of Toronto; Sarah Robbins, Kelowna Gastroenterology Associates; Laura Targownik, University of Toronto
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Dr. Natasha Bollegala, University of Toronto

Excellence in Quality Innovation Award
Dr. Catherine Dubé, University of Ottawa

Thomson-Williams (JCAG)
Dr. Lawrence Hookey, Queen’s University (best paper)
Dr. Jill Tinmouth, University of Toronto (best paper runner up)

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Dr. Alan Barkun, McGill University

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Dr. John Marshall, McMaster University
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Dr. Kriste-Kaye King-Robinson, McMaster University
Dr. David Burnett, University of Alberta

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In Memoriam

The CAG family was saddened to learn of the passing of the following CAG members in 2019.

- Ernest Seidman
- Ronald Wensel
- Noel Williams
Trainee Programs

Scholars' Program

The annual Canadian Association of Gastroenterology Scholars’ Program provides an opportunity for exceptional Internal medicine and pediatric residents (PGY1/PGY2), and medical students in the final 2 years of their program (3rd/4th year in a 4-year program, 2nd/3rd year in a 2-year program) to explore a career in gastroenterology. The program runs just prior to CDDW™ and will accept 37 candidates in total – including both adult and pediatric.

Research Topics in GI Disease Meeting

The annual CAG Research Topics in GI Disease meeting, held in advance of CDDW™, provides a unique educational opportunity for graduate students, medical students, and PhD/MD postdoctoral trainees (including adult or pediatric trainees beyond their core training i.e. “PGY5”) who are engaged in gastrointestinal research. This small group meeting provides an intimate setting for participants to present their research findings, engage in career development workshops and skill building exercises among enthusiastic expert faculty in the field. Participants are required to register to attend CDDW™, and can take advantage of the incredible selection of topics and sessions in addition to a Trainee Mixer one evening.

Gastroenterology Residents-in-Training (GRIT) Course

Since 1992, the GRIT Course has become a well-recognized, national educational event for both adult and pediatric trainees in their first and second year of GI training. A variety of teaching vehicles are utilized including state of the art lectures, small group seminars, case discussions, an expert panel discussion, and oral and poster presentations of residents' original research. The course is more than just educational – it is a venue for residents to better get to know each other and the faculty in a relaxed and fun environment. The GRIT Course is held prior to CDDW™ and the accepted trainees are required to participate and attend CDDW™. The three-day GRIT Course is designed to provide 70 trainees with the chance to:

- present their data orally or as a poster
- cover timely topics of interest and obtain up-to-date information in a context that allows critical evaluation
- interact and network with other residents - an opportunity rarely available given the size of the country
- interact closely with a small number of recognized, effective Canadian teachers

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