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GUT 2024

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8th Edition of EndoQE Hands-on Workshop

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WELCOME MESSAGE



A very warm welcome to all participants of the Annual Scientific Meeting of Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology & Hepatology (MSGH) 2024. Congratulations to the organising committee of GUT 2024 for successfully organising this event, allowing participants the opportunity to encourage multi-sectoral discussions and exchange of ideas in the field of gastroenterology.

Events such as these are essential in fostering professional interactions and ensuring that the gastroenterology community has access to the most recent medical information. Platforms like this are one of the finest ways to turn technical advancements into practical steps to raise the level of delivery in the field of gastroenterology to patients.

While the Ministry of Health is committed to transforming healthcare for the benefit of the nation, this goal can't be achieved if we work in isolation. Platforms for exchanging ideas, knowledge sharing and policy discussions will benefit our healthcare system.

Well done to the GUT 2024 secretariat, esteemed speakers and all participants for making this event a success. I hope this symposium will motivate all of you to keep expanding what is feasible in the field of gastroenterology.

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Datuk Seri Panglima Haji Hajiji Haji Noor
Honourable Chief Minister of Sabah

WELCOME MESSAGE



I would like to thank the Organising Committee of GUT 2024, the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, for their exceptional dedication and commitment. Your hard work and meticulous planning have brought together some of the brightest minds in gastroenterology and hepatology, fostering an environment of learning, collaboration, and innovation. This conference is a testament to your unwavering efforts and passion for advancing our field.

Events like these require immense coordination and effort, from selecting the right speakers and topics to ensuring that every logistical detail is meticulously planned. Your ability to bring together experts from various parts of the country and beyond, to share their knowledge and experiences, is truly commendable. It is through such collaborative efforts that we can continue to push the boundaries of medical science and improve patient care.

Furthermore, I would like to acknowledge the importance of knowledge sharing and collaboration that this conference promotes. The Sabah State Department of Health is committed to fostering an environment that encourages research, innovation and continuous learning. Thus, the collective efforts of healthcare providers, researchers, policymakers, and the community are essential in achieving excellence in healthcare.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all the speakers, participants, and sponsors for their contributions to this meeting. Your commitment to advancing gastroenterology and hepatology is truly inspiring, and I am confident that the knowledge and insights gained from this gathering will drive us towards new achievements and better patient care.

Once again, my deepest gratitude to the organizing committee for your exceptional efforts in making this event a success. I wish everyone a productive and enriching meeting, filled with valuable discussions and new friendships.

Thank you.

Datuk Dr Asits Sanna
Sabah State Health Director

WELCOME MESSAGE



Welcome to GUT 2024!

On behalf of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, I am honoured to host this year's Annual GUT Scientific Meeting here in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, marking a significant return after 15 years.

Our theme for this year, 'Fostering Towards Unity & Excellence in Tackling Digestive Disorders', underscores our collective commitment to advancing the field of gastroenterology. As we gather to explore the latest advancements and breakthroughs, we are reminded of the power of collaboration in the pursuit of medical excellence.

Unity stands as our greatest strength in our shared mission to understand, diagnose, and treat digestive and liver disorders. By coming together, sharing knowledge, and supporting one another, we are able to elevate the standards of care, improve management strategies, and ultimately enhance patient outcomes. This conference is a testament to our ultimate commitment to these goals.

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude and appreciation to our Scientific Chairman, Professor Dr Raja Affendi, and Organising Committee including the Secretariat. Your unwavering support and dedication have been the cornerstone of this event's success. Your hard work and vision have made this gathering possible and I am profoundly grateful for your contributions.

I hope this publication serves as a valuable guide throughout the conference, providing everyone with insights and information that will inspire, help and enrich your practice. Thank you for your dedication and continued contributions to the fields of Gastroenterology and Hepatology.

Let us continue to strive for unity and excellence in all our endeavours!

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Raman'.

Datuk Dr Raman Muthukaruppan
Organising Chair, GUT 2024 &
President, MSGH

24TH MSGH ORATION DR D NAGESHWAR REDDY

Citation by Datuk Dr Raman Muthukaruppan



“How AI is Revolutionising GI and Endoscopic Industries”

Dr Nageshwar Reddy, fondly known as Nagi or simply Dr Reddy, was born on 18th March 1956 in the state of Andhra Pradesh, India. He obtained his MBBS from Kurnool Medical College in 1978 and completed post-graduation MD at the renowned Madras Medical College, Chennai, India in 1982. He then went on to specialize in Gastroenterology and obtained D.M. Gastroenterology in 1984 at the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGI), Chandigarh, India.

Dr Reddy started his journey in gastroenterology as Assistant Professor of Gastroenterology at Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad and later Professor of Gastroenterology, at Guntur Medical College, Guntur. In 1995, he established the world-famous Asian Institute of Gastroenterology (AIG) in Hyderabad, India, the biggest stand-alone gastroenterology hospital in the world.

Dr Reddy has been recognised for his sterling efforts by his own country, India. In recognition of his outstanding leadership and contribution to the nation, he was awarded the Dr B C Roy Award for Development of Specialties given by the Indian Medical Council in 1995; the Padmasri Award in 2004 and the highly prestigious Padma Bhushan Award in 2016. He has received many awards presented by national and international organisations notably Master Endoscopist Award by the American Society of GI Endoscopy in 2009, International Service Award by the American Society of Gastroenterology in 2011 and Master of the World Gastroenterology Organisation in 2013. In addition, he has received numerous awards for his social work.

Dr Reddy has been involved in many international committees/boards and presently he is the Executive Founder of GIFT Foundation (Gastrointestinal and Liver Foundation for Research & Treatment of Cancer, a non-profit health organization), AI Institute Advisory Council Member of the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) and Course Director of the AGA/ASGE Postgraduate Course at upcoming DDW 2025 in San Diego.

Dr Reddy has delivered over 20 named orations/named lectures both nationally and internationally. Under his leadership, more than 150 live telecasts and workshops been relayed from AIG to the rest of the world since the year 2000, latest being in June 2024 Sao Paulo University, Brazil. His invited international faculty positions since 1992 have been numerous and something to be proud of. He has travelled extensively all over the world as an invited faculty in various international meetings, conferences, workshops and symposia. He is highly sought after expert endoscopist and speaker in these meetings. His last contribution was in DDW 2024 and ENDO 2024 Korea.

Dr Reddy is a member of over 20 editorial boards of international journals including the prestigious GIE, Endoscopy, WCG, GUT and others. He is a peer reviewer for over ten international journals. He also holds important additional responsibilities as Adjunct Professor in local and overseas universities.

Dr Reddy has 1066 papers published in both national and international journals up to June 2024 and has contributed to 15 international textbooks and chapters from 1998 to 2023.

21ST PANIR CHELVAM MEMORIAL LECTURE

PROFESSOR DR RAJVINDER SINGH

Citation by Professor Dr Ida Normiha Hilmi



“State of the Art (and Science): Novel Diagnostic and Therapeutic Endoscopic Interventions in the GI Tract”

Professor Dr Rajvinder Singh is a Professor of Medicine with the University of Adelaide and the Director of Gastroenterology at the Lyell McEwin & Modbury Hospitals, South Australia.

To date, Professor Dr Singh has published 150 peer reviewed papers and 11 book chapters including being a Chief Editor of five textbooks. He has a h-index of 42.

He has been successful in obtaining more than AUD\$ 3 million in grants including grants from the Cancer Council and Cancer Australia to further investigate the utility of novel endoscopic imaging techniques in the detection of dysplasia and early cancer in Barrett’s Oesophagus. In 2015, work on the investigation of the utility of serum biomarkers for colon cancer was selected as the top 10 best medical research initiatives in the country by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC, Australia). In 2019, work on Artificial Intelligence in the diagnosis of colorectal polyps was selected as one of three nominees for the Minister’s Innovation Award.

Professor Dr Singh is actively involved in teaching undergraduate and postgraduate students. He is an internationally renowned endoscopist and is frequently invited to conduct basic and advanced endoscopy workshops. He has participated in more than 200 workshops and symposia. He has had speaking engagements and ‘live’ endoscopy demonstrations around the world including in Australia, United States of America, United Kingdom, Japan, Korea, India, Singapore, New Zealand, Indonesia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Myanmar, Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh, Ukraine, UAE, Brazil and The Philippines amongst other countries.

Professor Dr Singh has been integral in numerous journals. Presently, he is an Editorial Board Member of Clinical Endoscopy. He was a past Editorial Board Member of Digestive Endoscopy and Endoscopy and past Co-Editor of the journal, Endoscopy International Open. He is a Committee Member of the Standards of Practice and Publications Committee with the World Endoscopy Organisation (WEO). He was a Councillor with the Gastroenterological Endoscopic Society of Australia (GESA) and past chair of the Australian Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Association (AGEA).

Professor Dr Singh is an active clinician and researcher. His research interest continues with work in Endoscopic diagnosis and treatment of early cancer. This encompasses diseases in the oesophagus, stomach, duodenum, biliary tree and colon using various novel Advanced Mucosal Imaging (including AI) tools and subsequently looking at outcomes of endoscopic interventions.

MSGH LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD PROFESSOR DATO' DR MRS S T KEW

Citation by Datuk Dr Jayaram Menon



Professor Dato' Dr Mrs S T Kew is currently Professor of Internal Medicine at the International Medical University Malaysia. She was previously the Dean of the School of Medicine IMU from 2012 to 2018, the Dean of the Clinical School IMU from 2009 to 2011, and Head of Department of Internal Medicine IMU from 2007 to 2009.

Before joining the International Medical University, Dato' Dr Kew served as Consultant Physician and Gastroenterologist in Hospital Kuala Lumpur. She rose to the post of Head of Internal Medicine in the Ministry of Health Malaysia. While in the Ministry, she helped to formalize higher specialist training in Gastroenterology and Internal Medicine in the country.

She was instrumental in the formation of the Combined Gastro-Surgical Endoscopy services in Hospital Kuala Lumpur in 1996. Under her leadership, this unit became a centre of excellence in therapeutic endoscopy. She was the pioneer who formalised Gastroenterology Fellowship training in the Ministry of Health Malaysia in 1990. All of us who graduated from the Ministry of Health Gastroenterology Fellowship Programme owe her a deep debt of gratitude for her vision and leadership.

Dato' Dr Kew is a Past Master of the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia and Past President of the College of Physicians. She chairs the MRCP PACES Coordinating Committee Malaysia. She is a member of the Preliminary Inquiry Committee, and member of Disciplinary Panel of the Malaysian Medical Council.

Dato' Dr Kew is active in both undergraduate and postgraduate medical education. She is an examiner in the Membership of the Royal College of Physicians PACES examination, and hosts the PACES examination regularly. Let there be no doubt about the tremendous contribution to Internal Medicine in Malaysia that Dato' Dr Kew has made as a physician, trainer, mentor and leader.

Dato' Dr Kew's research and academic interests include chronic hepatitis B and C, fatty liver disease, irritable bowel syndrome and probiotics, NSAIDs and the gastrointestinal tract, adverse drug reactions, patient safety, clinical practice guidelines, issues of medical professionalism and ethics, and clinical assessment.

It is the privilege of the MSGH to award its Lifetime Achievement Award to Professor Dato' Dr Mrs S T Kew, a true icon of Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology in Malaysia.

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Date Time	16 th August 2024 (Friday)		17 th August 2024 (Saturday)		18 th August 2024 (Sunday)
0730 - 0800	Registration				
0800 - 0830	SYMPOSIUM 1 Managing Difficult DGBI; Scenario-Based Discussion	Welcome Remarks	SYMPOSIUM 2 Managing Difficult IBD		SYMPOSIUM 5 Managing Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and MAFLD
0830 - 0900		NURSING/GIA SYMPOSIUM 1 Infection Prevention		L5	
0900 - 0930			L6	STATE-OF-ART LECTURE 1	
0930 - 1000	LECTURE 1 21 st Panir Chelvam Lecture		Tea Satellite Symposium 4	L7	Tea Satellite Symposium 7
1000 - 1030	Coffee Break / Booth Visit				Break
1030 - 1100	OPENING CEREMONY		Tea Satellite Symposium 5	L8	STATE-OF-ART LECTURE 2
1100 - 1130			MSGH Presidential Recognition Service Award		STATE-OF-ART LECTURE 3
	Lunch Satellite Symposium 1		LECTURE 2 24 th MSGH Oration		SYMPOSIUM 6 Presidential Round Table Discussion
1130 - 1200	Lunch Satellite Symposium 2		Lunch Satellite Symposium 3		
1200 - 1230	Friday Prayers / Lunch		Lunch Satellite Symposium 4		APDW 2024 - Update
1230 - 1300					MSGH Graduation Ceremony
1300 - 1330	Young Investigator Award / Oral Poster Presentation	L1	SYMPOSIUM 3 Gut Microbiome for GI and Beyond	L9	Prize Presentation & Closing Speech
1330 - 1400		L2		L10	
1400 - 1430		L3		Lunch	
1430 - 1500		Tea Satellite Symposium 1	L4	Tea Satellite Symposium 6	MSGH - Community Service Engagement Session
1500 - 1530	Tea Satellite Symposium 2	NURSING/GIA SYMPOSIUM 2 Case Discussion - Endoscopy Patient Management	SYMPOSIUM 4 MDT in Liver Cirrhosis		
1530 - 1600	Tea Satellite Symposium 3				
1600 - 1630	Tea Break / Booth Visit				
1630 - 1700					
1700 - 1730			Tea Break / Booth Visit		Pre-Congress Workshop 15 th August 2024 (Thursday)
1730 - 1900	PRESIDENTIAL DINNER <i>(By Invitation Only)</i>		MSGH Annual General Meeting		8 th Edition of EndoQE Hands-On Workshop Time : 0730 hrs - 1730 hrs Venue : Department of Medicine, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah
1900 - 1930					
1930 - 2000			GALA DINNER <i>(By Subscription Only)</i>		
2200 - 2200					

PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOP

15TH AUGUST 2024 (THURSDAY)

8th Edition of EndoQE Hands-On Workshop in conjunction with GUT 2024

Time : 0800 - 1700 hrs

Venue : Department of Medicine, Endoscopy Unit, Queen Elizabeth Hospital 1, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah

Organising Chairperson : Raman Muthukaruppan

Course Directors : James Emmanuel Gilbert Fernandez, Ryan Ponnudurai

Moderators : Nerenthran Loganathan, Deborah Chew Chia Hsin

Faculties : D Nageshwar Reddy, Rajvinder Singh, Pradermchai Kongkam, Yip Hon Chi, Christopher Khor, Ryan Ponnudurai, Sanjiv Mahadeva, Sharmila Sachithanandan, Abraham Mathew George, Johann Faizal Khan, Ho Shiaw Hooi

Programme

Part 1 (Live Demonstration)

0730 - 0800 Registration

0810 - 0900 Lecture 1 & 2

Seminar Room 2, Level 2

0900 - 0915 Breakfast

0915 - 1315 Live Demonstration

Endoscopy Unit, Level 5

1315 - 1400 Lunch

Part 2 (Hands-On Workshop)

1400 - 1700 Hands-On Workshop

Endoscopy Unit, Level 5

1700 - 1730 **CLOSING REMARKS**

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Edition of EndoQE Live Demo & Hands-on Workshop in conjunction with GUT 2024

*Endoscopy in the New Era:
Elevating Standards in Gastrointestinal Therapeutics*

15th August 2024
Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah
0800 hrs - 1700 hrs

★ FACULTY

D Nageshwara Reddy	Ryan Ponnudurai	Johann Faizal
Rajvinder Singh	Sharmila Sachithanandan	
Yip Hon Chi	Abraham Mathew George	
Pradermchai Kongkam	Ho Shiao Hooi	
Christopher Khor	Sanjiv Mahadeva	

 **2nd Floor (Seminar Room 2): Lectures & Live Demo Telecast**
5th Floor (Endoscopy Unit): Live Demo & Hand's on Session

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DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 1 - 16TH AUGUST 2024 (FRIDAY)

0730 - 0800

Registration

0800 - 0930

SYMPOSIUM 1

Managing Difficult DGBI; Scenario-Based Discussion

Moderators: Andrew Chua Seng Boon / S Mahendra Raj

*Managing Difficult Abdominal Pain and Loose Stools
Gwee Kok Ann (Singapore)*

*How to Handle a Difficult Functional Dyspepsia and Bloating Patient
Somchai Leelakusolvong (Thailand)*

*Managing Difficult Chronic Constipation
Lee Yeong Yeh (Malaysia)*

Q&A

0930 - 1000

LECTURE 1

21st Panir Chelvam Lecture

Citation: Ida Normiha Hilmi

*State of the Art (and Science): Novel Diagnostic and Therapeutic Endoscopic Interventions in the GI Tract
Rajvinder Singh (Australia)*

0800 - 0830

Welcome Remarks

Jernih Majalu (Chair, MSGH Nursing/GIAs Chapter & President, MSGNMA)

Jayaram Menon (Consultant Gastroenterologist & Hepatologist & MSGNMA Advisor)

Raman Muthukaruppan (Chair, Organising GUT 2024, President MSGH & MSGNMA Advisor)

William Gotulis (Director, Queen Elizabeth 1 Hospital)

0830 - 1000

NURSING/GIA SYMPOSIUM 1

Infection Prevention

Moderators: Rosalin Sulit / Chin Su Fei

*Current and Future Trends in Endoscope Reprocessing (Virtual)
Nenny Suzanah (Singapore)*

*Mitigating Infection Risks in Endoscopic Procedures
Manorani K Doesamy (Malaysia)*

*Rinsing & Water Quality: The Neglected Aspect of Endoscope Reprocessing
Jernih Majalu (Malaysia)*

Q&A

1000 - 1020

Coffee Break / Booth Visit

1020 - 1115

OPENING CEREMONY

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 1 - 16TH AUGUST 2024 (FRIDAY)

- 1115 - 1145 **Lunch Satellite Symposium 1 (AstraZeneca)**
Moderator: Ho Shiaw Hooi
Recent Advances in GI Cancer Treatment - Things Frontliners should Know
Eng Jie Yi (Malaysia)
- 1145 - 1215 **Lunch Satellite Symposium 2 (Takeda)**
Moderator: Alex Leow Hwong Ruey
Decoding the Interplay Between Helicobacter Pylori and Gastro-oesophageal Reflux Disease: Clinical Insights and Treatment Approaches
Chua Tju Siang (Singapore)
- 1215 - 1315 Friday Prayers / Lunch

1315 - 1445

Young Investigator Award

Moderators: S Mahendra Raj / Lee Yeong Yeh

Judges: Rajvinder Singh (Australia) /

Jose D Sollano (Philippines) /

Somchai Leelakusolvong (Thailand)

Oral Poster Presentation

Moderators: Chan Wah Kheong / Nazri Mustaffa

Judges: Sakkarin Chirapongsathorn (Thailand) /

Gwee Kok Ann (Singapore) /

Dadang Makmun (Indonesia) /

Ho Shiaw Hooi (Malaysia)

1445 - 1515

Tea Satellite Symposium 1 (First Pharmaceutical)

Moderators: Lu Chee Men / Deborah Chew Chia Hsin

UDCA (Ursosan) in Preventing Atherosclerosis,

Steatosis and Liver Fibrosis in MASLD (NAFLD)

Patients

Marina V Maevskaya (Russia)

1315 - 1345

L1

Moderators: Rusinah Sologi / Jernih Majalu

Best Practices for the Management of Clean and Dirty Spaces

Benoit Biousse (Singapore)

1345 - 1415

L2

Moderators: Valentine Philominus / Savio Sanggang

The Evolving Role of Nurses/GIAs in the Management of Gastrointestinal Bleeding

Jayaram Menon (Malaysia)

1415 - 1445

L3

Moderators: Haslinda Taipin / Azizon Saad

Quality Assurance in Endoscopy Unit

Krish Ragunath (Australia)

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 1 - 16TH AUGUST 2024 (FRIDAY)

1515 - 1545 Tea Satellite Symposium 2 (Viatris) <i>Moderator: Thevaraajan Jayaraman</i> Expert Insights: Empowering MAFLD Management with Antioxidant <i>Sakkarin Chirapongsathorn (Thailand)</i>	1445 - 1515 L4 <i>Moderators: Rosalin Sulit / Jernih Majalu</i> Education and Training in Endoscopy <i>Nenny Suzannah (Singapore)</i>
1545 - 1615 Tea Satellite Symposium 3 (Servier) <i>Moderator: Lee Yeong Yeh</i> The Great Downhill Race: From Gut Chaos to Haemorrhoidal Havoc <i>Alex Leow Hwong Ruey (Malaysia)</i>	1515 - 1615 NURSING/GIA SYMPOSIUM 2 Case Discussion - Endoscopy Patient Management <i>Moderators: Jernih Majalu / Manorani K Doresamy</i> Quality Management of Patients Undergoing Endoscopy: Challenges, Issues, and Strategies for Management <i>Rosalin Sulit (Malaysia)</i> <i>Expert Panel:</i> <i>Nenny Suzannah (Singapore) /</i> <i>Krish Ragunath (Australia)</i> Q&A
1615 - 1645	Tea Break / Booth Visit
1730 - 2030	PRESIDENTIAL DINNER (By Invitation Only)

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 2 - 17TH AUGUST 2024 (SATURDAY)

0800 - 0930

SYMPOSIUM 2

Managing Difficult IBD

Moderators: Ida Normiha Hilmi / James Emmanuel / Jason Chin Kuet Tze

Comprehensive Update on the Treatment Strategies and Personalised Care in Ulcerative Colitis

Ooi Choon Jin (Singapore)

Comprehensive Update on the Treatment Strategies and Personalized Care in Crohn's Disease

Ng Siew Chien (Hong Kong)

Intestinal Ultrasound for IBD - Old Tools for New Roles

Emily Wright (Australia)

Missteps in Managing IBD in Asia: What do Experts Say?

Jose D Sollano (Philippines)

Q&A

0930 - 1000

Tea Satellite Symposium 4

(Reckitt Benckiser Health)

Moderator: Raman Muthukaruppan

PPI Use: An Approach to Safe De-Prescribing

S Mahendra Raj

0830 - 0900

L5

Moderators: Haslinda Taipin / Lorna Sabinus

Staff Engagement - Tips and Tricks for Better Teamwork

Manorani K Doesamy (Malaysia)

0900 - 0930

L6

Moderators: Valentine Philominus /

Manorani K Doesamy

Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy (PEG):-
Beyond Basics: Advanced Techniques and
Innovations in PEG Tube Management

Nerenthiran Loganathan (Malaysia)

0930 - 1000

L7

Moderators: Azizon Saad / Lorna Sabinus

Comprehensive Care Guide for Patient after PEG
Tube Insertion

Chin Su Fei (Malaysia)

1000 - 1030

Coffee Break / Booth Visit

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 2 - 17TH AUGUST 2024 (SATURDAY)

1030 - 1100	Tea Satellite Symposium 5 (Johnson & Johnson) <i>Moderator: Khairul Najmi Muhammad Nawawi</i> Management in Crohn's Disease: Which Comes First? <i>Julajak Limsrivilai (Thailand)</i>	1030 - 1100 L8 <i>Moderators: Rusinah Soligi / Zulkifli Zain</i> AI in Upper and Lower GI: Benefits and Concerns <i>Rajvinder Singh (Australia)</i>
1100 - 1115	MSGH Presidential Recognition Service Award <i>Master of Ceremony: Sattian Kollanthavelu / Nik Razima Wan Ibrahim</i>	
1115 - 1145	LECTURE 2 24th MSGH Oration <i>Citation: Raman Muthukaruppan</i> How AI is Revolutionising GI and Endoscopic Industries <i>D Nageshwar Reddy (India)</i>	
1145 - 1215	Lunch Satellite Symposium 3 (AstraZeneca) <i>Moderator: Jayaram Menon</i> Optimal Usage of PPI in Clinical Practice <i>Francis Chan (Hong Kong)</i>	
1215 - 1300	Lunch Satellite Symposium 4 (Takeda) <i>Moderator: Raja Affendi Raja Ali</i> Treatment Sequencing for Optimal Disease Control in Crohn's Disease <i>Ng Siew Chien (Hong Kong)</i>	

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 2 - 17TH AUGUST 2024 (SATURDAY)

1300 - 1430

SYMPOSIUM 3

Gut Microbiome for GI and Beyond

Moderators: Lee Yeong Yeh / Mazlam Zawawi / S Mahendra Raj

Gut Microbiome Research in Malaysia
Norfilza Mohd Mokhtar (Malaysia)

Transforming Microbiome Modulation: From Bench to Bedside
Ng Siew Chien (Hong Kong)

Clinical Application of Gut Microbiome in GI Diseases
Francis Chan (Hong Kong)

Q&A

1430 - 1530

Tea Satellite Symposium 6 (Abbott)

Moderators: Soon Su Yang / Lau Su Yin

Functional Dyspepsia: Treatment According to Subtype Versus Empirical Proton Pump Inhibitor
Chuah Kee Huat (Malaysia)

Hepatoprotection Redefined: The Role of SAME in Liver Diseases
Ruveena Bhavani Rajaram (Malaysia)

1300 - 1330

L9

Moderators: Chin Su Fei / Manorani K Doremsamy

FNB Needles in Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS): Best Practices and Techniques / Nursing Perspective
Sharmila Sachithanandan (Malaysia)

1330 - 1400

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Moderators: Zulkifli Zain / Azizon Saad

Nutrition in Patients with Inflammatory Bowel Diseases
Margareta Leong (Malaysia)

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 2 - 17TH AUGUST 2024 (SATURDAY)

1530 - 1700

SYMPOSIUM 4

MDT in Liver Cirrhosis

Moderators: Tan Soek Siam /

Raman Muthukaruppan / Johann Faizal

Acute-on-Chronic Liver Failure (ACLF): What a Gastroenterologist Needs to Know

Sakkarin Chirapongsathorn (Thailand)

Functional Cure of Chronic Hepatitis B: Is It Really a Cure?

Lim Seng Gee (Singapore)

Keeping my Cirrhotic Patients “Well”- Current Best Practice

Janus Ong (Phillipines)

Identifying Potential Liver Transplant Candidates - Who, When and How?

Haniza Omar (Malaysia)

Q&A

1700 - 1730

Tea Break / Booth Visit

1730 - 1900

MSGH Annual General Meeting

1930 - 2200

GALA DINNER *(By Subscription Only)*

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 3 - 18TH AUGUST 2024 (SUNDAY)

0800 - 0900

SYMPOSIUM 5 | Managing Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and MAFLD

Moderators: Robert Ding Pooi Huat / Rosmawati Mohamed

Epidemiology of Hep B, C and MAFLD in Southeast Asia

Sakkarin Chirapongsathorn (Thailand)

Adopting the Best in Science for CHB Patients in Clinic

Lim Seng Gee (Singapore)

Six More Years - Our Roles to get the HCV Elimination Goal Posts

Janus Ong (Philippines)

Non-Invasive Test Use & Update Therapy for MAFLD

Chan Wah Kheong (Malaysia)

Q&A

0900 - 0930

STATE-OF-ART LECTURE 1

Moderators: Kandasami Palayan / Tan Huck Joo

Transitioning Towards Sustainable Care & Green Endoscopy: A Catalyst for Clinical Excellence

Ang Tiing Leong (Singapore)

0930 - 1000

Tea Satellite Symposium 7 (Hovid Pharmacy)

Moderator: Lau Su Yin

Sodium Alginate - Keeping Your GERD Down

Rafiz Abdul Rani (Malaysia)

1000 - 1030

Break

1030 - 1100

STATE-OF-ART LECTURE 2

Moderators: Dennis Nyuk Fung Lim / Abraham George

Therapeutic Endoscopic Ultrasound: We Can Do It, But Should We?

Christopher Khor Jen Lock (Singapore)

DAILY PROGRAMME

DAY 3 - 18TH AUGUST 2024 (SUNDAY)

- 1100 - 1130 **STATE-OF-ART LECTURE 3**
Moderators: Raman Muthukaruppan / Nerenthiran Loganathan
Understanding & Advancing Colorectal Cancer Screening: A Comprehensive Approach
Krish Ragunath (Australia)
- 1130 - 1230 **SYMPOSIUM 6 | Presidential Round Table Discussion**
Moderator: Sanjiv Mahadeva / Ida Normiha Hilmi / Sharmila Sachithanandan
Presidents
Raman Muthukaruppan (Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology & Hepatology)
Ooi Wei Keat (Malaysian Upper Gastrointestinal Surgical Society)
Luqman Mazlan (Malaysian Society of Colorectal Surgeons)
Dadang Makmun (Indonesian Society of Gastroenterology)
Stephen Tsao Kin Kwok (Gastroenterological Society of Singapore)
Somchai Leelakusolvong (Gastroenterological Association of Thailand)
- 1230 - 1245 **APDW 2024 - Update**
Welcome to Bali
Dadang Makmun (Indonesia)
- 1245 - 1315 **MSGH Graduation Ceremony**
Master of Ceremonies: Norasiah Abu Bakar / Hamiza Shahr
- 1315 - 1345 **Prize Presentation & Closing Speech**
- 1345 - 1430 Lunch
- 1430 - 1700 **MSGH - Community Engagement Session (MSGH-CES)**
Moderators: Sattian Kollanthavelu / Nik Razima Wan Ibrahim
Norasiah Abu Bakar / Hamiza Shahr / Syuhada Dan Adnan / James Emmanuel

POST-CONGRESS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSION

18TH AUGUST 2024 (SUNDAY)

MSGH - Community Engagement Session (MSGH-CES)

Get to Know your Gastro and Liver

Venue: Sabah International Convention Centre

Time: 1400 - 1700

Moderators: Sattian Kollanthavelu, Nik Razima Wan Ibrahim

Programme

1400 - 1415	Registration
1415 - 1430	Welcome Remarks and Introduction about MSGH <i>Raman Muthukaruppan, President of MSGH</i>
1430 - 1500	Introduction - Anatomy and Functions of your GI Tract and Liver <i>Norasiah Abu Bakar</i>
1500 - 1530	Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and Quiz <i>Hamiza Shahar</i>
1530 - 1600	Fatty Liver and quiz <i>Syuhada Dan Adnan</i>
1600 - 1630	Colon Cancer and Quiz <i>James Emmanuel</i>
1630 - 1700	Tea Break

OPENING CEREMONY

Date: 16th August 2024 (Friday)

Venue: Sipadan 1, Sabah International Convention Centre, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah

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| 0950 | Delegates to be Seated in the Hall |
| 1000 | Arrival of Guest of Honour
<i>YB Datuk Seri Panglima Dr Joachim Gunsalam, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Industrial Development</i>
Representing
<i>Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Seri Panglima Haji Hajiji Bin Haji Noor, Chief Minister of Sabah</i> |
| 1010 | Group Photo
Procession into Sipadan 1 |
| 1020 | Negara-Ku
Sabah Tanah Airku
Doa Recital |
| 1030 | Cultural Performance |
| 1040 | Welcome Speech by President of MSGH & Organising Chairperson of GUT 2024
<i>Datuk Dr Raman Muthukaruppan</i> |
| 1045 | Speech by Director, Sabah Health Department
<i>Datuk Dr Asits Sanna</i> |
| 1050 | Speech by YB Datuk Seri Panglima Dr Joachim Gunsalam, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Industrial Development to be followed by the Official Opening
Presentation of Souvenir |
| 1100 | Video Montage |
| 1110 | Procession Out of the Hall
Visiting of Booths |
| 1120 | Press Conference |

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Ang Tiing Leong

Professor Dr Ang Tiing Leong is Senior Consultant, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, and Head of Research, at Changi General Hospital, Singapore. He is Clinical Professor at Duke-NUS Medical School and Adjunct Professor at Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore and Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, Nanyang Technological University. He has subspecialty clinical interests in therapeutic ERCP and interventional EUS and other advanced endoscopic procedures. His current research interests include the use of image enhancement technologies and artificial intelligence in endoscopy, and gut microbiome. He is Chairperson of the Gastroenterology Residency Advisory Committee. He is Council member of Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS), Asian Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE) and Chair of APAGE Taskforce on Green and Sustainability in Gastroenterology. He previously served as Chief, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Changi General Hospital, President of the Gastroenterological Society of Singapore, and Chairperson of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists, AMS.



Benoit Biousse

Benoit (Ben) is an immunologist and microbiologist by education (MSc, Nottingham University, School de Medicine). He started his career in France working in R&D for Sanofi, a pharmaceutical company. and then he moved to the stem cell industry providing education and solutions to researchers based in Europe.

He later had a chance to work in medical diagnostic, with a specialization in coagulation. Firstly, based in India he later on transferred in Hong Kong where he was in charge of the ASIAN region.

Lastly Ben has been leading ECOLAB's Healthcare division APAC for the past 6 years and is now based in Singapore.

His passion for infection control and patient safety drives him across the region where he either organise with his team or gives lectures to around 20 to 30 educational events every year. All thanks to close collaboration with the different nursing and infection prevention societies in Asia.

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Francis Chan

Professor Dr Francis Chan, Professor of Medicine of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, is an internationally renowned clinician-scientist and an entrepreneur. He pioneered the research of gastrointestinal bleeding and clinical applications of gut microbiome. In 2019, his team established Asia's first Microbiota Innovation Center (MagIC) to transform microbiome research into a new biotechnology industry. His contributions in gastroenterology are recognized worldwide with numerous awards and honours, including among the first researchers in Asia to receive the International Leadership Award of the American College of Gastroenterology in 2018, and multiple international innovation and entrepreneurial awards.



Chan Wah Kheong

Professor Dr Chan is Professor of Medicine, Director of the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, and Senior Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist at Universiti Malaya, Universiti Malaya Medical Centre and Universiti Malaya Specialist Centre. He served as an Executive Committee Member of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology & Hepatology between 2015 and 2021. He was the Scientific Co-Chair and a core member of the Organizing Committee for the APDW 2021. He completed two terms as Associate Editor for the Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology between 2018 and 2023, and is a current member of the Editorial Board for Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Alimentary Pharmacology and Therapeutics, and Clinical and Molecular Hepatology. He is a member of the Global NASH Council, the APASL MAFLD Consortium, the GO Asia Workgroup, and the CAP Prognosis Study Group. He has published numerous full papers in peer-reviewed journals and presented in both local and international conferences.



Chin Su Fei

Ms Chin has been serving as the Assistant Secretary of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology Nursing & Medical Assistants (MSGMNA) since 2017. She holds certifications in post-basic gastrointestinal endoscopy nursing and cardiothoracic peri-operative nursing. Currently, she serves as the Nursing Head of the Endoscopy Unit at Hospital Lam Wah Ee in Penang, Malaysia. Her leadership is pivotal in overseeing the unit's operations, which encompass a wide range of services including upper and lower endoscopy, bronchoscopy, EUS (Endoscopic Ultrasound), and ERCP. In her role, Chin manages the day-to-day administration of the unit and she also actively involved in staff training, imparting her knowledge to colleagues, and assisting doctor during diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopic procedures.

Chin has been an active contributor to the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology Nurses, Assistant Medical Officers & Associates (MSGMNA) since 2010. She regularly participates in conferences, workshops, and serves as an invited speaker at workshops focusing on gastrointestinal-related topics.

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Sakkarin Chirapongsathorn

Dr Sakkarin Chirapongsathorn is a gastroenterologist and hepatologist, researcher, and Associate Professor at Phramongkutklao College of Medicine, Bangkok, Thailand. He obtained a medical degree from Khon Kaen University in 2005. Following his training in Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology in Thailand, he joined the clinical research fellowship programme at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, USA from 2014 to 2016. He graduated with a master's degree in clinical Translational and Science at Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science in 2016 which focused on area of complications of cirrhosis and steatotic liver diseases mentorship by Professors Patrick S Kamath and Vijay Shah at Mayo Clinic in Rochester Minnesota, USA.



Chua Tju Siang

Dr Chua Tju Siang is among the most accomplished gastroenterologists in Singapore and leads the AliveoMedical practice with a depth of credentials and international experience. As a consummate thought leader and published academic, he has received several accolades and awards over the years. Notably among them, he was awarded the Warren and Marshall Helicobacter Pylori Award by Australian Nobel laureates, Professors Robin Warren and Barry Marshall, for research into the link between various strains of Helicobacter pylori and ulcer disease. He is a recognised leader in the field of endoscopy and his subspecialty interest of interventional endoscopy and endosonography. He also has a keen interest in the development of standards for high-quality endoscopy and is a member of the Quality Assurance Subcommittee of the National Colorectal Cancer Screening Programme of Singapore. He is often invited as faculty to local and international conferences, both as a speaker as well as to demonstrate advanced endoscopic procedures. He is currently the Chairman of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, as well as a past President of Gastroenterological Society of Singapore.



Chuah Kee Huat

Associate Professor Dr Chuah Kee Huat is currently a consultant in internal medicine, gastroenterology, and hepatology at Universiti Malaya, Universiti Malaya Medical Centre and UM Specialist Centre. He is well trained in general gastrointestinal endoscopic procedures and advanced endoscopic procedures, including endoscopic ultrasound (EUS), endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP). He has specialist interest in performing oesophageal high-resolution manometry. He has also made significant contributions to the field through his publications in international peer-reviewed prestigious medical journals, like Clinical Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Alimentary & Pharmacology Therapeutics, Neurogastroenterology & Motility and Liver International. He also received multiple awards for his work from local and international conferences. He is also actively participating in local and international research collaborations. His research interest is in functional gastrointestinal disorders, including irritable bowel syndrome.

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Dadang Makmun

Professor Dr Dadang Makmun is recently a Professor of Medicine and Chair of Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Indonesia - Cipto Mangunkusumo National General Hospital, Jakarta, Indonesia. He graduated from Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Indonesia in 1983 and he has been working as a gastroenterologist in Cipto Mangunkusumo National General Hospital since 1995. He was the past President of Indonesian Society for Digestive Endoscopy (ISDE) and the President of Indonesian Society of Gastroenterology (ISG). Currently, he is appointed as the Congress President of APDW 2024, Bali, Indonesia. He is also a member of WEO research committee and IBD committee of WGO 2024-2025. His majors are diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy including upper and lower GI endoscopy, EUS, ERCP, and bariatric endoscopy.



Eng Jie Yi

Dr Eng Jie Yi is a seasoned professional specializing in clinical oncology, currently serving as a Clinical Oncologist at the Department of Radiotherapy, Oncology, and Palliative Care at Sarawak General Hospital since April 2022. Previously, she held positions including Clinical Oncologist from June 2021 to April 2022 at Universiti Malaya Medical Centre. She is actively involved in professional societies, holding memberships in the Malaysian Oncological Society (MOS), the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO), and the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO). Her memberships underscore her commitment to professional development and staying updated with advancements in oncology practice. She has contributed significantly to oncology through publications such as a study on curative lung metastectomy for fibrolamellar hepatocellular carcinoma and participation in clinical trials including early phase investigations of novel therapies for advanced solid tumors, demonstrating her commitment to advancing cancer treatment and research.

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Gwee Kok Ann

Dr Gwee Kok Ann is Adjunct Associate Professor of Medicine at the National University of Singapore, and Consultant Gastroenterologist at Gleneagles Hospital Singapore. He obtained his medical degree from National University of Singapore, and his PhD from University of Sheffield for his thesis on Post-Infection IBS. His research includes epidemiology and Asian socio-cultural perspectives, of gastrointestinal diseases, the roles of inflammation, gut microbes, probiotics, sleep disturbance and psychological factors in functional gastrointestinal disorders, and gastroesophageal reflux disease. A founding member and past president of the Asian Neurogastroenterology & Motility Association, he was a lead author of the first Asian Consensus on IBS, guidelines for the Primary Care Management of Chronic Constipation in Asia, and the Asian-Pacific guidelines for the management of functional dyspepsia overlapping with other gastrointestinal disorders. Recently he has taken an interest in overlapping Functional GI Disorders, and as well the potential of herbal medicines in the treatment of digestive disorder.



Haniza Omar

Dr Haniza Omar graduated from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 1996. She pursued her Masters Programme in Internal Medicine with Hospital Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia and subsequently took Hepatology as a subspecialty in 2006. She completed her training in 2009 including a year stint in the Transplant Center in St Vincent's University hospital in Dublin, Ireland. She is currently the Head of Department for Hepatology and Gastroenterology. She has been working as Consultant Hepatologist and Gastroenterologist in Hospital Selayang since 2010. She is Vice President in Malaysian Society of Transplant, a member Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology and Hepatitis Support Group. She is also active in Clinical Research. She is the Principle Investigator in clinical trials - mainly in biomarkers for Hepatitis B, DAA's in Hepatitis C. Her areas of interest includes Viral Hepatitis and Liver Transplantation.



Jayaram Menon

Datuk Dr Jayaram Menon is Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist at the Pantai Hospital Ayer Keroh, Melaka. He was formerly Head of the Department of Medicine and Gastroenterology unit in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah from 1990 till 2017. He was a former National Head of Services for Gastroenterology as well as Internal Medicine in the Ministry of Health, Malaysia. He was instrumental in establishing the Post-basic GI Endoscopy Nursing programme in 2009. His interests are upper gastrointestinal bleeding, ERCP, therapeutic endoscopy, Inflammatory bowel disease and the development of Endoscopy nursing in Malaysia.

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Jernih Majalu

Ms Jernih Majalu has a 26-year career in the healthcare industry. With a 16-year background in Endoscopy Nursing, she transitioned into an administrative role for the subsequent 8 years. While at Penang Adventist Hospital, Malaysia, Jernih oversaw multiple disciplines including A&E, Haemodialysis, Maternity & Labour Room, NICU, and Paediatric Ward. She is currently the Nurse Manager of the Endoscopy Unit and Outpatient Department.

Passionate about her work, Jernih is dedicated to leading the Malaysian Society of GI Nurses, Assistant Medical Officers, & Associates (MSGNMA) as the current President. Her commitment to society is evident through her participation in various workshops and conferences. She has also been invited as an international faculty member representing Malaysian GI Nurses. Additionally, Jernih holds a voting membership status with SGNA (Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates).



Christopher Khor Jen Lock

Dr Khor's main practice areas are in pancreato-biliary endoscopy and endoscopic resection. He has a keen interest in endoscopic quality and education, and in promoting collaboration among the regional endoscopy community. Dr Khor's external work includes regular faculty invitations to demonstrate and teach advanced endoscopy. He served as Director of the SGH Endoscopy Centres from 2013 to 2019, and as Chief of the SGH Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology from 2015 to 2018. He is a Clinical Associate Professor at the Duke-NUS Medical School, and is credited with more than 80 Pubmed indexed publications. Dr Khor is President of the GI-TAP Society, an Asia-Pacific group focused on EUS education and the engagement of women in endoscopy. At the forthcoming Asian-Pacific Digestive Week 2025 in Singapore, he will serve as Endoscopy program director. Dr Khor is a past Chairman of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists, Academy of Medicine Singapore, and is a past President of the Gastroenterological Society of Singapore.

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Somchai Leelakusolvong

Professor Dr Somchai Leelakusolvong currently is a Professor of Medicine at Gastrointestinal Division, Siriraj Hospital, Faculty of Medicine, Mahidol University, Thailand. He graduated from the Siriraj Medical School and extended his fellowship training programme in gastrointestinal disease at Siriraj Medical School, Research fellow in Mayo Clinic, USA and Royal Adelaide Hospital, Australia. He has more than 150 international articles, abstracts and book chapters published focusing in motility disorders and endoscopy. In addition, he also received many awards including Young Investigator's Award of 10th Asian Pacific Congress of Gastroenterology (APCGE) in 1996, Distinguished Clinical Service Awards in 2022, Royal College of Physicians of Thailand (RCPT) in 2022 and Distinguished Mahidol University Awards in Service, in 2022. Currently, he is the Chairman of Department of Medicine, Siriraj Faculty of Medicine, Mahidol university and the President of Gastroenterological Association of Thailand (GAT). He was Congress President, Asian Pacific Digestive Week 2023.



Lee Yeong Yeh

Professor Dr Lee Yeong Yeh is Professor of Medicine and Consultant of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Internal Medicine at Universiti Sains Malaysia, Kubang Kerian, Kelantan, Malaysia. He has authored more than 300 papers in high-impact journals including Gastroenterology and Gut, several book chapters and textbooks, and listed in the Stanford's Top 2% in the World in their respective field (citation impact in a single year). JCI Malaysia awarded him the Outstanding Young Malaysian Award in 2015 and the Top Research Scientist of Malaysia by the Academy of Sciences Malaysia in 2018. He is the senior editor of a number of journals including the Malaysian Journal of Medical Sciences. He is Immediate Past President of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Past Scientific Chair of Asia Pacific Digestive Week 2021 and committee member of numerous international societies.



Margareta Leong

Ms Margareta Leong is a Dietitian at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah. She graduated with Bachelor of Science (Dietetics) from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. She has special Dietetic Clinical Interest in Dietary Management in Surgical and Dietary Management in Liver Diseases. Her certificates, among other; Registered as Allied health practitioner under section 17 of the Allied Health Professions Act 2016, Dietitian's Credentialing in specialized procedure: Pre-operative or post-operative nutrition for bowel resection, Dietitian's Credentialing in specialized procedure: Pre-operative or post-operative nutrition for gastrectomy and Dietitian's Credentialing in Specialized procedure: Dietary management in liver diseases.

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Alex Leow Hwong Ruey

Dr Alex Leow is Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist in Pantai Hospital Kuala Lumpur and is Honorary Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist to Universiti Malaya Medical Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He previously worked as Associate Professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of Malaya. He obtained his basic degree in Biomedical Science in 1999 at Universiti Malaya before furthering his study in Medicine in University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland. He graduated in 2004 and was awarded the Penang Medical Practitioner's Society Best All-Round Student Award. He obtained his master's degree in Internal Medicine and was awarded the John Bosco Best Master Student Award upon graduation in 2012. His areas of interest are diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy, *Helicobacter pylori*, inflammatory bowel disease and has authored and co-authored in numerous papers in peer-reviewed journals and presented in both local and international conferences.

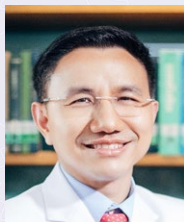


Lim Seng Gee

Professor Dr Lim Seng Gee is Director of Hepatology at the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, National University Health System, Singapore, and was previously Chief of Division. He graduated in 1980 from Monash Medical School completed his research MD at the Royal Free Hospital. He is a member of the editorial boards for Liver International, Journal of Viral Hepatitis, Hepatology International, Alimentary Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Lancet Gastroenterology & Hepatology, and Evidence Based Internal Medicine Solutions. He is also on the Advisory Board of Gilead Sciences, Roche, Arbutus, Assembly, GlaxoSmithkline, Janssen, Sysmex, Grifols and Abbott Diagnostics.

Professor Dr Lim is currently chairman of the Singapore Hepatology Conference and Science of HBV Cure Conference, and was previously the Chairman of the Asia Pacific Association for Study of the Liver (APASL) Liver Week 2013 Congress. He served as Governing Council member from 2014-2018 of the International Association for Study of Liver (IASL), and has been appointed to the AASLD Asia Pacific Regional Advisory Council in 2018. He is also governing council board member of International Coalition for Eradication for Hepatitis B (ICE-HBV) and a steering committee member of HBV Forum. He is Scientific Advisory Board member for ANRS Maladies Infectieuses Emergentes, France. He is faculty at the Asia Pacific EBM workshop. His research includes clinical trials of new treatments for chronic hepatitis B and C, and translational research in viral hepatitis, involving molecular biology and immunology of hepatitis B. He has published 280 peer reviewed publications and secured peer review grant funding worth >SGD \$48 Million (>USD\$35M), including the award of a SGD \$25 million National Translational Clinical Research grant in 2015 to investigate eradication of HBV, which was recently renewed. In 2018 he was awarded the NMRC Clinician Scientist Award for research in HBV, renewed in 2021. His H index is 62.

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Julajak Limsrivilai

Dr Julajak Limsrivilai graduated MD with first honour degree from the Faculty of Medicine, Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand, in 2003. He completed his residency in internal medicine and his fellowship in gastroenterology at the same institute in 2009 and 2011, respectively. He won the Anandamahidol scholarship award from the King of Thailand and went to do his research fellowship programme with Professor Peter Higgins, director of the IBD unit, University of Michigan from 2015 to 2017 and earned a Master's degree of science in Clinical Research Design and Statistical Analysis at University of Michigan. His field of interest is inflammatory bowel disease, intestinal infections, diarrhea and malabsorption, and small bowel endoscopy. His main publications are about the diagnosis of IBD, differentiating Crohn's from intestinal tuberculosis, role of stool GI panels in detecting infections in IBD patients with clinical flare. Furthermore, he is interested in GI infections and published articles regarding intestinal tuberculosis, gastrointestinal CMV, and intestinal capillaritis.



Marina V Maevskaya

Dr Marina Maevskaya is gastroenterologist, hepatologist and consultant at the I.M. Sechenov First Moscow State Medical University Hospital, Russia. She participant as a speaker at numerous Russian and international conferences on hepatology, is an author of 112 scientific publications (from 2013 to 2023), including 46 indexed in Scopus and Web of Science. Since 1997, she has been the Scientific Secretary, and is now the Vice-President of the Russian Scientific Liver Society (RSLS). She is also a co-developer of clinical practice guidelines in the field of hepatology designed for Russian HCPs. Since 2019, she has been a Council member of the International Association for the Study of the Liver (IASL).



Manorani K Doresamy

Ms Manorani K Doresamy is a Director of Nursing at Hospital Picaso. She has been a Nurse Manager of the Endoscopy unit at Subang Jaya Medical Centre for the last 10 years. Ms Manorani has 20 years' experience in Endoscopy Nursing.

She has Master's in Bussiness Administration (MBA) and obtained her Post Basic certificate in GI Endoscopy Nursing with distinction from Ministry of Health, Malaysia. She is currently serving as Committee member of Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology Nurses, Assistant Medical Officers & Associates (MSGNMA).

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Nenny Suzanah

Ms Nenny Suzanah has worked in the healthcare industry for more than 30 years. She has 12 years' experience in nursing, and with experience in various disciplines in Singapore General Hospital (SGH) including the ICU, surgery, orthopedics, O & G, and in ambulatory centres. The next 20 years of her career were spent in an operations and administration, and in a management and leadership capacity. Her portfolio includes research management, programme management and infrastructure development of facilities and centres in Singhealth. Ms Nenny is currently co-managing the Campus Endoscopy Centre development in Outram Campus which encompasses endoscopy centres in SGH and the new National Cancer Centre and community-based projects, and is involved in other Singhealth and institutional development projects.



Nerenthran Loganathan

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Ooi Choon Jin

Dr Ooi Choon Jin obtained his MBBS from National University of Singapore and is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh and Academy of Medicine, Singapore. From 1998 to 2000, he trained at the Center for the Study of Inflammatory Bowel Disease at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School, USA. His past appointments, among others are Associate Professor, Duke-NUS Medical School, Clinical Associate Professor of Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, Singapore, Chairman of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists, Academy of Medicine Singapore, President of the Gastroenterological Society of Singapore and Co-President of APDW 2011 Singapore. He is currently President of the Asian Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE), Chair for APAGE Inflammatory Bowel Disease Committee, President for Asian Education Network in Inflammatory Bowel Disease (AEN-IBD), Director of the Asian Pacific Digestive Week Federation (APDWF) and Adjunct Associate Professor at the Duke-NUS Medical School.



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He further refined his skills through a prestigious fellowship at Erasmus Medical Center in Rotterdam, where he was exposed to the latest techniques and innovations in upper gastrointestinal surgery.

Currently, he serves as the Head of the Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Unit at Sabah and is the Deputy Head of Service for Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery in Malaysia. He has also help establish Queen Elizabeth Hospital as a training center for Upper GI Surgery Subspecialist Program.

In addition to his clinical and educational roles, Dr Ooi is an active member of the National Subspecialist Training Committee and also presides with the National Specialist Registry for Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery.

Dr Ooi scholarly work includes publication of a book chapter on the management of complications in esophageal surgery and articles published in leading medical journals. He is also a member of ESPEN and expert speaker for PENSMA.

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Dr Rafiz Abdul Rani graduated from University College Cork, Ireland in 2005 with further training in Ireland before joining the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Malaysia in 2008. He subsequently completed the postgraduate Doctor of Internal Medicine before embarking on gastroenterology training, both at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. He completed a short stint in Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine, Kyoto, Japan in 2016 and Master of Science in Health Care Policy and Management in Birmingham, United Kingdom. He currently heads the Department of Medicine in Universiti Teknologi MARA and is a council member of the College of Physicians of Malaysia. He is a member of several gastroenterology societies and was the recipient of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology Research Fellowship Award in 2016, exploring the fundamentals of early GI cancer screening utilising image enhanced endoscopy, which remains his main interest.



Krish Ragunath

Professor Dr Krish Ragunath moved from Nottingham University, UK to Australia in May 2019 under the Global Talent initiative after being appointed as Professor of Medicine at Curtin University Medical School, and Consultant Gastroenterologist at Royal Perth Hospital, Western Australia. He is an executive committee member of the Endoscopy Faculty and Research Faculty of the Gastroenterology Society of Australia (GESA). He is also Fellow of the American and Japanese Society of GI Endoscopy. He has held various leadership positions that includes; immediate past Director of Research, Curtin Medical School, immediate past chair World Endoscopy Organisation (WEO) Research committee, British Society of Gastroenterology (BSG) International Secretary 2014-18, Treasurer BSG Endoscopy committee 2016-19, advisor for National Institute of Clinical Excellence (NICE) interventional procedures subgroup and independent external advisor for the Welsh National Bowel Cancer screening programme complex polyp MDT. His clinical and research interests include advanced endoscopic imaging of the GI Tract, Endoscopic Ultrasound, Barrett's oesophagus, minimally invasive endoscopic therapy of early GI neoplasia and recently taken a special interest in Green Endoscopy. He has co-edited the BSG Barrett's oesophagus guidelines, Quality standards in upper GI endoscopy, Guidelines for the management of gastric premalignant conditions and UK oesophageal dilatation guidelines. He has performed several live endoscopy demonstrations, endoscopy training in animal models and has lectured in national and international meetings.

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Rajvinder Singh

Professor Dr Rajvinder has published 150 peer reviewed papers and 11 book chapters including being a Chief Editor of 5 textbooks. Professor Dr Singh has a h-index of 42. He has been successful in obtaining more than AUD 3 million in grants including grants from the Cancer Council and Cancer Australia to further investigate the utility of novel endoscopic imaging techniques in the detection of dysplasia and early cancer in Barrett's Oesophagus. In 2015, work on the investigation of the utility of serum biomarkers for colon cancer was selected as the top 10 best medical research initiatives in the country by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC, Australia). In 2019, work on Artificial Intelligence in the diagnosis of colorectal polyps was selected as 1 of 3 nominees for the Minister's Innovation Award. He is actively involved in teaching undergraduate and postgraduate students. Professor Dr Singh is an internationally renowned Endoscopist and is frequently invited to conduct basic and advanced endoscopy workshops. He has participated in more than 200 workshops/symposiums. He has had speaking engagements and 'live' endoscopy demonstrations around the world including in Australia, the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan, Korea, India, Singapore, New Zealand, Indonesia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Myanmar, Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh, Ukraine, UAE, Brazil and the Philippines amongst other countries.

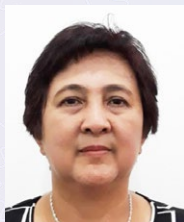


D Nageshwar Reddy

Dr D Nageshwar Reddy published over 1065 peer reviewed research papers and has contributed to more than 50 GI textbooks. He's the only Endoscopist in the world who received 5 ASGE (American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy) Crystal Awards.

Honors and Awards, among others are B C Roy Award from the Indian Medical Council in 1995, PADMA SHRI AWARD from the Government of India in 2002, PADMA BHUSHAN AWARD from the Government of India in 2016, Fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences, New Delhi in 2001, Master Endoscopist Award from American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy in 2009, American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy International Leadership Award in 2011, Master of World Gastroenterology Organization from World Gastroenterology Organization in 2014, Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) 2020, Fellow of the American Gastroenterological Association (AGAF) in 2020, American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy President's Award 2020, American Gastroenterological Association distinguished educator award 2021, Rudolf Schindler award for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy) 2021 (only two non Americans have been ever given this award), WEO Lifetime Achievement award 2022, Inventor of 'NAGI STENT' and awarded with the Johns Hopkins University's Prestigious 'Captain's Chair' 2024.

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Rosalin Sulit

Ms Rosalin Sulit is an active member and currently the Vice President of Malaysia Society of Gastrointestinal Nurses, Medical Assistant and Associates (MSGNMA). She has contributed enormously to the development of Gastrointestinal Assistants (GIA) in Malaysia. She is the pioneer in the setting up of the first Post Basic Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Nursing in Malaysia in 2009 under the Ministry of Health Malaysia while still with the Training Institute Kota Kinabalu as a nursing tutor, she had been invited to present many talks at local and international levels and has played a major role in the setting up of MSGNMA. Quality Assurance in Endoscopy is her passion and she aspires to see more nurses and GIAs progress and be more confident in sharing and projecting the image of GIAs locally and at international level.



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Her areas of interests include Hepato-Pancreatico-Biliary (HPB) Medicine with main interest in Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS). She is also a recipient of several International research awards, including the American Society of Gastroenterological Endoscopy (ASGE) CRYSTAL award (2011) for Audio Visual DVD on Endoscopic Ultrasound (A Primer to HPB EUS)

She is actively involves in numerous conference and event, among others, she was invited as Speaker and Endoscopy Faculty to international conferences and publications in peer reviewed journals.

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Jose D Sollano

Professor Dr Jose D Sollano, Jr, is Professor of Medicine at the University of Santo Tomas (UST) Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, Manila, the Philippines. He was also a Visiting Lecturer at the University of Arizona - Tucson School of Medicine.

After finishing his Gastroenterology Fellowship training at UST, he proceeded to train in Hepatology, Ultrasound and Interventional techniques with Professor Kunio Okuda at Chiba University, Japan and in Therapeutic Endoscopy with Professor Nib Soehendra at the University of Hamburg, Germany. He also had Visiting Fellowships in Gastroenterology at the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio and at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota.

His research participation in international clinical drug development involved novel therapies in chronic hepatitis B, chronic hepatitis C, liver cancer and inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). In 2015, he was bestowed the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Philippine Society of Gastroenterology.

Professor Dr Sollano is a key opinion leader in Asia and has been Faculty and/or Convenor of a number of national and Asian-Pacific Clinical Practice Guidelines, including those on GERD, Dyspepsia and *H. pylori*, Gastric Cancer, Non-variceal Upper GI Bleeding, Chronic Hepatitis B, Chronic Hepatitis C, Obesity, NAFLD, Portal Hypertension, Colorectal Cancer and Inflammatory Bowel Disease.



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Dr Stephen Tsao Kin Kwok graduated from University of Leicester, UK in 1996. He undertook his entire basic medical training and higher specialist training (Gastroenterology and Hepatology) in the UK. In September 2008 he came to Singapore to take up a Consultant post in the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Tan Tock Seng Hospital. Since 1st September 2023 he started his new position as Senior Consultant Gastroenterologist at Aliveomedical Singapore. His subspecialty interest is in advanced therapeutic endoscopy [EMR, ESD and POEM]. He was awarded the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology Fellowship in 2010 and spent 3 months at the University Hospital Kobe, Japan. He is the Course Director of Singapore International Advance Therapeutic Endoscopy Course (SIATEC) - an annual international hands-on workshop in ESD. He is active amongst Gastroenterology fraternity, and has served in different positions in the Gastroenterology Society of Singapore (GESS). He is the current President of GESS.

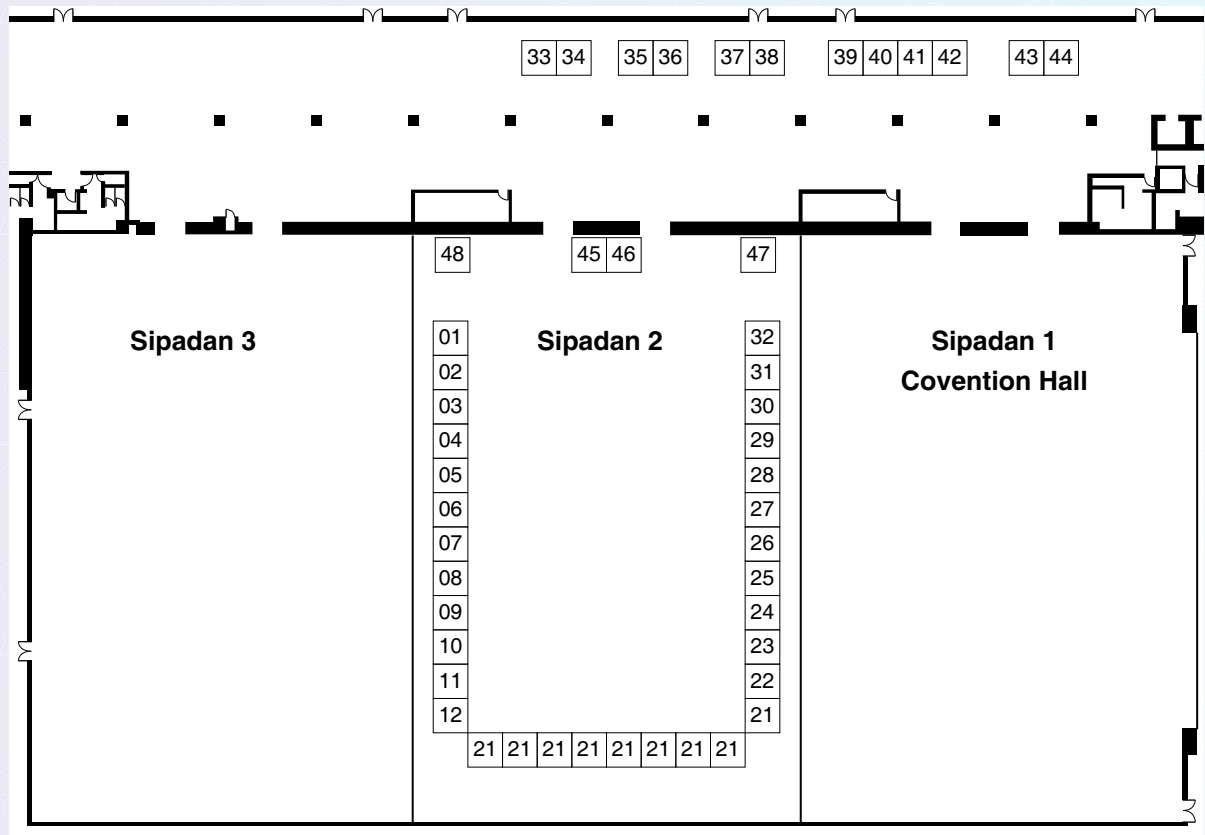
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