

Friday 28 August – Overview



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08:30-17:00	Research Workshop River View 4 Detailed program here	
08:30-17:30	Postgraduate Course BellVue Ballroom 2 Detailed program here	
11:00-16:00	Liver Health Check Front Entrance, PCEC	
18:00-19:00	President & SPC Welcome Reception	Summer Garden, PCEC
19:00-22:00	Sponsored Symposium 1: AbbVie – Beyond The Data: The Psychology of Decision-making in IBD Care River View 4	
19:30-22:30	AGW Young GESA Dinner River View 5	

Saturday 29 August – Overview



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07:00	Sponsored Symposium 2: Olympus – AI in Endoscopy: Hype, Help or Harm? Meeting Room 6					
07:00	Sponsored Symposium 3: Takeda – Treating to Target in Ulcerative Colitis: From Principle to Practice Meeting Room 8					
07:00	Breakfast: GENIUS Room: River View 4					
07:00	Breakfast: Women in GI Room: River View 5					
	Riverside Theatre	BelleVue 2	River View 4	Meeting Rooms 1-3	River View 5	Meeting Room 7
08:30	Unopposed Session Opening Address, Bushell Lecture, Trans-Tasman Lecture, CPD, Patient Journey And Mid-career Award Riverside Theatre					
10:25	Morning Tea: Exhibition Hall					
10:55	Endohepatology (1.1)	Future Directions – What's on The Horizon in IBD? (1.2)	GI Research: Cutting-edge (1.3)	Luminal/Nutrition: Fear of Food (1.4)	Paediatric Session 1: State of The Art & Updates (1.5)	GENCA: Endoscopy Essentials: From Preparations to Therapeutics (1.6)
12:25	Lunch: Exhibition Hall Poster of Merit Judging					
12:30	Sponsored Session: Fujifilm Exhibition Hall: theatrette 12:30-12:40					
12:30	Young GESA (Lunch Session) - 12:30 -14:00 Room: Meeting Room 6					
13:15-14:25	Liver Free Papers 1 (2.1)	IBD Free Papers 1 (2.2)	Endoscopy Free Papers 1 (2.3)	Cancer Free Papers 1 (2.4)	Luminal Free Papers 1 (2.5)	Nutrition: Advances in Obesity Care (2.6)
14:25	Room Change					
14:30	Multidisciplinary PSC Session (Liver With Company IBD/ Endo/Cancer) (3.1)	Endoscopy Emergencies: What Gets You Out of Bed at Night (or Should!) (3.2)	Luminal: What is New And Controversial in Disordered Gut Brain Interactions (3.3)	Paediatric Free Papers (3.4)	Private Practice Network & Young GESA (3.5)	GENCA: Innovation in Hepatology Nursing: From Evidence to Practice (3.6)
16:00	Afternoon Tea: Exhibition Hall					
16:30	IBD in Practice: From Acute Care to Outpatient Decision-making (4.1)	Viral Hepatitis (4.2)	GI Cancer: Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Colorectal And Liver Cancer (4.3)	Luminal & Young GESA (4.4)	GENCA & Sustainability: Sustaining Gastroenterology: Greener Practice, Smarter Care (4.5)	Nutrition Free Papers (4.6) 16:30-17:30
18:10	GESA Board Awards: 18:10 - 18:40 Room: Riverside Theatre					
19:15	AGW Social Dinner – Jazz Lounge + Dinner + Networking 19:15 - 23:00 BelleVue Ballroom					

Sunday 30 August – Overview



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07:00	Sponsored Symposium 4: Novo Nordisk – Wegovy® (semaglutide) 2.4 mg: A new standard of care in MASH management Meeting Room 6					
07:00	Sponsored Symposium 5: Johnson & Johnson – Aim Higher. Expecting More. Tremfya in Crohn's Disease Meeting Room 8					
07:00	Breakfast: Research Methods Clinical Meeting Room 7					
	Riverside Theatre	BelleVue 2	River View 4	Meeting Rooms 1-3	River View 5	Meeting Room 7
08:30	Unopposed Session Young Investigator Awards Riverside Theatre					
10:30	Morning Tea: Exhibition Hall Official Poster Round for Endoscopy/Hepatology/GI Cancer/Paediatrics/Nursing/Sustainability					
11:00	Paediatric Session 2/Joint Session With Luminal Faculty (5.1)	Therapeutic Decision-making in Complex IBD (5.2)	Alcohol-associated Liver Disease (5.3)	Joint GI Cancer And Endoscopy (5.4)	GENCA: From Consensus to Care: IBD Nursing in Action (5.5)	Sustainability And Nutrition: Food, Sustainability And The Gut (5.6)
12:30	Lunch: Exhibition Hall					
12:30	Sponsored Session: Ipsen Exhibition Hall: theatrette 12:30-13:00					
13:00	GESA AGM & YIA Winners Announced 13:00 - 13:55 Riverside Theatre					
14:00	Liver Free Papers 2 (6.1)	Endoscopy Free Papers 2 (6.2)	Luminal Free Papers (6.3)	Sustainability And Routine GI Endoscopy Free Papers (6.4)	IBD Free Papers 2 (6.5)	Regional, Remote & Indigenous (6.6)
15:30	Afternoon Tea: Exhibition Hall Official Poster Round IBD/Luminal/Nutrition					
15:50-17:20	IBD in Practice: Common Questions, Practical Answers (7.1)	Luminal: Understanding Mechanisms in Disordered Gut Brain Interactions (7.2)	BSG & GESA International Joint Session (7.3)	–	HCC1/LCC - Breaking Boundaries in HCC: Biology Meets Intervention (7.5)	Paediatric Session 3: Hepatology (7.6)
17:25	Room Change					
17:30	IBD Care Beyond The Clinic (8.1)	GI Cancer: GI Immunotherapy Interest Group (8.2)	Advanced MAFLD (8.3)	Sustainability: Future-proofing Your Practice: The New Standard of High-value, Sustainable GI Care (8.4)	–	Endoscopy Video Forum (8.6)
19:00	Offical Poster Round for POMs & Case Studies 19:00 - 19:30 Poster of Merit Defending and Light Dinner and Drinks 19:30 - 20:30					

Monday 31 August – Overview



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	Riverside Theatre	River View 4 & 5
08:30	Live Endoscopy Session 1 - Upper GI Endoscopy Live Endoscopy Session 2 - Upper GI / Lower GI Endoscopy (9.1)	HCC 2 / LCC - Surveillance, Staging, Stratification (9.2)
10:30	Morning Tea: Exhibition Hall	
11:00	Live Endoscopy Session 3 - Lower GI Endoscopy (10.1)	HCC3/LCC – Advanced Liver Cancer in 2026: Sequencing, Survivorship And Science (10.2)
13:00	Lunch: Exhibition Hall	
14:00	Live Endoscopy Session 4 - ERCP & Interventional EUS (11.1)	
15:30	AGW Concludes	

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07:00-08:15	Sponsored Symposium 3: Takeda – Treating to Target in Ulcerative Colitis: From Principle to Practice Meeting Room 8

07:00 - 08:15 Breakfast: GENIUS Room: River View 4		Chairs: Rebecca Smith & Sherman Picardo
07:00	When I Start a New IBD Therapy, When do I Use IUS to Assess Response?	Aviv Pudipeddi
07:15	IUS in Monitoring Following Treatment De-escalation	Rohita Reji
07:30	Abstract 290: Beyond The Mucosa: Layer-specific Intestinal Ultrasound Parameters Identify Inflammatory Activity in Ulcerative Colitis (7-minute presentation + 3-minute discussion)	William Kuang
07:40	IUS Centre Snapshots	Brandon Baraty (NSW), Alex Elford (TAS), Ei Swe (QLD), Joel Cooper (NSW)
07:50	IUS Case Discussion (A) SICUS (Small Intestine Contrast Ultrasonography in Strictures) (B) ASUC	Sheng Lo, Pradeep Ramaswamy & GENIUS panel
08:10	GENIUS update & Grants	Rebecca Smith

07:00 - 08:15 Breakfast: Women in GI Room: River View 5		Chairs: Rebecca Burgell & Alexander Thompson
07:00	Welcome And Introduction	Rebecca Burgell
07:10	What women want... Closing the (professorial) Gap: How to Promote Yourself as an Expert Nationally and Internationally	Debbie Shawcross (UK)
07:20	What Women Want... Closing The (pay) Gap: How to Put an Equal Value on Your Time And Expertise	Katherine Ellard
07:30	Trainee Perspective: What Women Want... Closing The Gap: How to Design Gastroenterology Training to Support Both Professional AND Family Development	Sarah Lucas
07:40		Irene Lu

PLENARY	Riverside Theatre	
	Plenary: Opening Address, Bushell Lecture, Trans-Tasman Lecture, CPD, Patient Journey And Mid-career Award	
	Chair: Alex Thompson	
	08:30	Welcome
	08:32	Welcome to Country – Traditional Owner of Whudjuk/Noongar Boodjah
	08:42	Presidential Address
	08:51	Opening Address
	09:02	Introduction
	09:05	Bushell Lectureship – The Microbiome as a Therapeutic Target in Cirrhosis
	09:30	Introduction
	09:31	Trans-Tasman – Western Pacific Outreach – Working in a Different World
	09:52	Introduction
	09:54	Patient Journey: Meet Me Where I Am
	10:05	Introduction
	10:07	Understanding The New CPD Landscape: Requirements, Compliance And Practical Strategies
	10:18	Introduction
	10:19	Mid-career Award – Assessing a Modified Exclusive Enteral Nutrition Composition Treating Ulcerative Colitis
	10:20	Program Overview

10:25 — Morning Tea Served in The Exhibition Hall

SESSION 1.1	Riverside Theatre	
	Endohepatology	
	Chairs: Sundeep Lakhtakia (IN) & Briohny Smith	
	EUS-guided Liver Biopsy Should Replace Radiology-guided Liver Biopsy as The Default Approach	
	10:55	in 2026 — Affirmative
	11:07	— Negative
	11:19	— Adjudication
	11:30	Waves, Pressures And Plugs: The EUS Approach to Portal Hypertension (with case presentation)
	11:50	Training, Credentialling & Learning Curve in Endohepatology
	12:05	Panel Discussion

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SESSION 1.2

BelleVue 2

Future Directions – What's on The Horizon in IBD?		Chairs: Lena Thin & Jakob Begun
10:55	The Future of IBD Therapy: Breaking Through The Therapeutic Ceiling	Peter Irving (UK)
11:25	Diet as Therapy in IBD: Evidence, Challenges And The Future	Alice Day
11:45	Imaging in Crohn's Disease: Current Practice And Emerging Directions	Ashish Srinivasan
12:05	Microbiome-based Therapies in IBD: Where Are We Now And What Lies Ahead?	Sasha Fehily

SESSION 1.3

River View 4

GI Research: Cutting-edge		Chairs: Lochlan Fennell & Kim Bridle
10:55	Multimic Spatial Profiling of Early Onset Colorectal Cancers to Understand Tumour Immune Biology	Lochlan Fennell
11:15	Abstract 354- Development of Cell Models Using CRISPR Prime Editing For The Study of Wilson Disease Variants	Pratima Srivastava
11:30	Spatial Multi-omics And AI For Gut Tissue Microenvironment Analysis	Quan Nguyen
11:50	Abstract 320- Using Spatial Transcriptomics to Interrogate The Ductular Reaction And Progressive Fibrosis in Metabolic Dysfunction-associated Steatotic Liver Disease	Lucy Yuan
12:05	High-throughput, High-dontent Patient-derived Organoid Drug Screening: A Roadmap to More Informative Drug Prioritisation	Benjamin Dwyer

SESSION 1.4

Meeting Rooms 1-3

Luminal/Nutrition: Fear of Food		Chairs: Heidi Staudacher & Chamara Basnayake
10:55	When The Gut Says No: Fear of Gastrointestinal Symptoms as a Driver of Food Avoidance	Jim Kantidakis
11:15	When to Expose And When to Restrict in People With Food Fear	Jessica Biesiekierski
11:30	Panel Discussion	All speakers including Caroline Tuck & Jan Tack (BE)

SESSION 1.5

River View 5

Paediatrics Session 1: State of the Art & Updates		Chair: Nikhil Thapar
10:55	Eosinophilic GI Diseases In Children: What's On The Horizon	Seema Aceves (US)
Paediatric Session 1: Updates		Co-Chairs: Mohana Sathiaselalan & Michael Coffey
11:25	Rethinking Infant Reflux Management in 2026	Ajay Sharma
11:45	Free Paper 1 Abstracts 644: Subcutaneous Infliximab is Effective as Maintenance Therapy For Paediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease (8min + 2min Q&A)	Cher Wei Chuah
11:55	Free Paper 2 Abstract 37: Tissue Transglutaminase Antibody Cut-offs Processed by Chemiluminescence Assay in The Biopsy-free Diagnosis of Suspected Celiac Disease in Children – A Retrospective Observational Cohort Study (8min + 2min Q&A)	Jemilla Strode Smith
12:05	Ethical Considerations in The Use of Home Parenteral Nutrition	Jonathan Hind

SESSION 1.6

Meeting Room 7

GENCA: Endoscopy Essentials: From Preparations to Therapeutics		Chairs: Kylee Bullivant & Sabrina Miriam
10:55	Abstracts 337: Confidence And Competence in Endoscopic Gastric Variceal Therapy: A Survey of Endoscopy Nurses	Allison Wall
11:10	Abstract 653: From Faecal Occult Blood Test to Colonoscopy: Mental Health And The Role of Nurse-led Investigation	Nada Vasin Leal
11:25	Faecal Microbiota Transplantation Endoscopy, The Why And How	Michelle Sy & Karen Lai
11:55	Bowel Preparation: What to Use And When to Use it	Robyn Foulds
12:10	Discussion Panel	All Speakers & Chairs

12:25 — Lunch Served in The Exhibition Hall | Poster of Merit Judging

12:30 - 14:00 Young GESA (Lunch Session) Meeting Room 6		Chairs: Richard Fernandes & John Chetwood
12:30	Developing (Endoscopy) Skills After Fellowship	Benedict Devereaux
12:50	Artificial Intelligence	Ray Boyapati
13:10	Who Wants to be a Director? Management Skills And Service Development	Josephine Grace
13:30	Panel Discussion: "What I Wish I Knew in my First 5 Years Post-fellowship"	Trina Kellar & Lena Thin

12:30-12:40 Sponsored Session: Fujifilm | Exhibition Hall: theatrette

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SESSION 2.1

Riverside Theatre

Liver Free Papers 1

Chairs: Oyekoya Ayonrinde & Tim Mitchell

13:15	Abstract 334: Increasing Burden of Liver Cirrhosis on The Healthcare System in South Australia: A Population-based Study From 2000 to 2024	Libo Xiong
13:26	Abstract 441: Utility of Non-invasive Scores in Hepatocellular Carcinoma Risk Stratification Post-sustained Virological Response in Patients With Chronic Hepatitis C	Amitjeet Singh
13:37	Abstract 103: Frailty is a Highly Prevalent And Independent Predictor of Survival in Hepatocellular Carcinoma: A Multinational Cohort Study	Shirin Salimi
13:48	Abstract 120: CRISPR Prime Targeting of IL1R1 in Stellate Cells Identifies a Pathogenic Inflammation-to-fibrosis Axis in The Liver	Hiba Al Lawati
13:59	Abstract 81: Detecting Iron Overload And p.C282Y Homozygous Haemochromatosis Using Current International or New Australian Reference Ranges For Serum Ferritin Levels	John Olynyk
14:10	Abstract 319: Hepascore Alone Matches a Two-step FIB-4 And Fibroscan Algorithm For Detection of Significant Fibrosis in Metabolic Associated Steatotic Liver Disease: Implications For Community Screening	Dewruwan Gammanpila

SESSION 2.2

BelleVue 2

IBD Free Papers 1:

Chairs: Yoon-Kyo An & Crispin Corte

13:15	Abstract 42: Upadacitinib is an Effective First-line Rescue Therapy in Acute Severe Ulcerative Colitis: an Alternative to Infliximab or Ciclosporin	William Kuang
13:26	Abstract 499: Upadacitinib versus Oral Corticosteroid For Induction of Remission in Ulcerative Colitis flares: INDUCE- A Prospective, Multicentre, Open-label Study	Robert Gilmore
13:37	Abstract 501: TrAnsPerineal Ultrasound For ASsessing And Predicting Response in Hospitalised Patients With Flare of Ulcerative Colitis (TAPAS – UC)	Michael Christmas
13:48	Abstract 569: Switching to Vedolizumab vs Tumour Necrosis Factor Inhibitors After First-line Non-persistence in Ulcerative Colitis: Data From The Persistence Australian National IBD Cohort (PANIC5) Cohort	Bonita Gu
13:59	Abstract 317: Geographical Remoteness And Therapeutic Escalation in Ulcerative Colitis: A National Population-based Cohort Study in Australia, 2014-2022	Carlton Li
14:10	Abstract 265: A Randomised Double-blind Placebo-controlled Dietary Advice Trial of The 4-SURE Diet in Adults With Mild-moderately Active Ulcerative Colitis	Alice Day

SESSION 2.3

River View 4

Endoscopy Free Papers 1:

Chairs: David Gilbert & Brad Kendall

13:15	Abstract 539: Adverse Events After Gastrointestinal Endoscopy in a Tertiary Paediatric Centre	Umair Khalid
13:26	Abstract 625: Endoscopic Ultrasound-guided Gastric Variceal Obliteration as First-line Therapy For Acute Aleeding And Secondary Prophylaxis of Cardiofundal Varices: An Australian Early Experience And Case Series	Rajit Gilhotra
13:37	Abstract 586: Adherence to Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Recommendations in a Single Centre	Catherine Yu
13:48	Abstract 616: Specialist-Led Rural Generalist Training Enables High-Quality Colonoscopy in Remote Australia: Outcomes From The RANCS Model of Care	Raymond Lewandowski
13:59	Quality of Colonoscopy Performance in The New Zealand Bowel Screening Programme	Susan Parry
14:10	Post-colonoscopy Colorectal Cancer at a Regional Tertiary Hospital in North Queensland	Keith Brick

SESSION 2.4

Meeting Rooms 1-3

Cancer Free Papers 1:

Chairs: Lochlan Fennell & Hooi Ee

13:15	Abstract 466: Liquid Biopsy For The Detection of Hepatocellular Carcinoma	Lauren Brotherton
13:26	Abstract 28: Early Onset Colorectal Cancer in The Northern Territory, a Retrospective Analysis of Cases From 2014-2022	Benjamin Gomez
13:37	Abstract 487: Intercepting Colorectal Cancer Progression: Dissecting Germline Genetics For Targeted Prevention	Rawaa Eltayib
13:48	Abstract 632: Multi-ancestry And Multi-trait Analyses in 2.6 Million Individuals Reveal Unique Genetic Susceptibility to Colorectal Cancer	Mathias Seviiri
13:59	Abstract: 710 Cancer-associated Fibroblast Subpopulation Transitions During Hepatocellular Carcinoma Progression	Minwoo Kim
14:10	Abstract 545: Spatial Proteotranscriptomic Atlas Reveals Recurrent Multicellular Niches in Early-onset Colorectal Cancer	Liam Skinner

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SESSION 2.5	River View 5	
	Luminal Free Papers 1:	
	Chairs: Calvin Park & Jessica Biesiekierski	
	13:15	Abstract 361: Beyond Single-discipline Care: A National Survey of Multidisciplinary Practice in Disorders of Gut-brain Interaction in Australia Adriana Mannino
	13:26	Abstract 652: A Machine Learning And Faecal Immunochemical-based Model For Colonoscopy Triage in Iron Deficiency Erin Symonds
	13:37	Abstract 552: Constipation Outcomes in Children With And Without Autism Spectrum Disorder: Insights From a Tertiary Motility Service Umair Khalid
	13:48	Abstract 242: Faecal Microbiota Transplant as First-line Treatment For Grade 2 Checkpoint Inhibitor Colitis Steven Nicolaides
	13:59	Abstract 228: Baseline Psychological Comorbidity Does Not Influence Abdominal Pain Response to Digital Gut-directed Hypnotherapy: Real-world Analysis of 76,138 Users With Irritable Bowel Syndrome Simone Peters
	14:10	Abstract 173: The Subjectivity of "Adequacy": Quantifying The Proceduralist Effect in Bowel Preparation Scoring Using Hierarchical Linear Modelling Rajat Gupta

SESSION 2.6	Meeting Room 7	
	Nutrition: Advances in Obesity Care	
	Chairs: Shelley Keating & Leon Adams	
	13:15	The Effect of Obesity on GI Function Ashok Raj
	13:30	Integrating Diet And Pharmacotherapy For Obesity Management Clare Collins
	13:45	Debate : Improving Weight Related Health Using Medications Deborah Kerr
	13:55	Debate : Improving Weight Related Health Using Medication (Plus Lifestyle Support) Clare Collins
	14:05	Panel Discussion All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 3.1	Riverside Theatre	
	Multidisciplinary PSC Session (Liver With Company IBD/Endo/Cancer)	
	Chairs: Patricia Kaazan & Rohit Gupta	
	14:30	Medical Therapy For PSC in 2026 (Hepatologist) Elizabeth Goode
	14:45	Specific Management of PSC-IBD (IBD specialist) Kate Lynch
	15:00	Modulation of Gut Microbiome For PSC Ayesha Shah
	15:15	Biliary Interventions For PSC - When is a Good Time? (Interventional Endoscopist) Nam Nguyen
	15:30	PSC And Cancer - Risk Stratification, Surveillance Strategies, And Biomarker Development (Cancer Faculty) Natassia Tan
	15:45	Panel Discussion All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 3.2	BelleVue 2	
	Endoscopy Emergencies: What Gets You Out of Bed at Night (or Should!)	
	Chairs: Vipul Aggarwal & Saurabh Gupta	
	14:30	Acute Cholangitis & The Failed ERCP What The Non-ERCP Endoscopist Needs to Know Linda Zhang
	14:47	Food Bolus and Sharp Foreign Bodies Melissa Jennings
	15:04	Endoscopic Perforation Bu'Hussain Hayee (UK)
	15:21	Post-polypectomy Bleeding at 10pm Spiro Raftopoulos
	15:38	Massive Upper GI Bleeding: When Standard Therapy Fails, Escalation Strategies, IR vs Surgery vs Repeat Endoscopy, Modern Haemostatic Tools Mo Thoufeeq (UK)

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SESSION 3.3

River View 4

Luminal: What is New And Controversial in Disordered Gut Brain Interactions		Chairs: Rebecca Burgell & Allison Malcolm
14:30	Rome V – What has Changed And Why it Matters	Jan Tack (BE)
14:55	Testing in DGBI	Peter Gibson
15:10	Mast cells, EDS, POTS	Phoebe Thwaites
15:25	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 3.4

Meeting Rooms 1-3

Paediatric Free Papers		Co-Chairs: George Alex & Helen Evans
14:30	Abstract 131: An Audit of Gastrojejunal Tubes in a Tertiary Paediatric Hospital	Looi Ee
14:40	Abstract 274: Paired Analysis of Child And Parent Perception of Quality of Life in Paediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease at Diagnosis And 12 Months	Li-Zsa Tan
14:50	Abstract 505: Management of Paediatric Acute Pancreatitis in The Asia Pacific Region And Australia: A Survey	Mia Rutherford
15:00	Abstract 92: Effectiveness of Upadacitinib in Children With Inflammatory Bowel Disease: A Single Centre Experience	Jaime Chiu
15:10	Abstract 366: Clinical Characteristics, Outcomes And Phenotypic Evolution of Atypical Versus Typical Ulcerative Colitis in Children: A Retrospective Cohort Study	Ben Loel
15:20	Abstract 405: A Ticking Clock: The Race to Kasai in Infants With Biliary Atresia	Tim Robertson

SESSION 3.5

River View 5

Private Practice Network & Young GESA		Chairs: Anil Asthana, Ashley Miller & Hunter Wang
14:30	Tips And Traps of Managing Chronic Liver Disease in Private Practice	Marcus Robertson
14:55	Genetic Testing For a General Gastroenterologist	Douglas Tjandra
15:15	Panel Discussion: "Do I Need a Public Hospital Appointment?"	Adam Gordon, Sally Bell, Stephanie Turner, Julian Rong And John Nik Ding

SESSION 3.6

Meeting Room 7

GENCA: Innovation in Hepatology Nursing: From Evidence to Practice		Chairs: Megan Collins & Daniel Lightowler
14:30	Abstract 122: Beyond Boundaries: Enhancing Liver Cancer Care Across Australia Through Nurse-led Innovation And Collaboration	Fiona Ractliffe
14:45	Abstract 247 – Impact of 12-week Liver at Home (L@H) Program on Liver Frailty in a Tertiary Centre	Siddharth Sood
15:00	The Role of Nurses in MAFLD Care- Putting The Novel AHA Guidelines Into Practice	Adam Gregson
15:20	Updates on Portal Hypertension - What Nurses Need to Know	Tamara Jones
15:40	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

16:00 — Afternoon Tea Served in The Exhibition Hall

SESSION 4.1

Riverside Theatre

IBD in Practice: From Acute Care to Outpatient Decision-making		Chairs: Simon Ghaly & Emily Wright
A. Acute Severe Ulcerative Colitis - beyond The acute admission		
16:30	Setting The scene: ASUC Case Presentation	Laura Hollingsworth
16:36	Early Assessment And What It Means For Inpatient Management	Anthony Croft
16:48	Optimising Post-discharge Care: What Should We Be Doing?	Peter De Cruz
17:00	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs
B. Clinical Dilemmas In Crohn's Disease: Monitor, Medicate or Manage With Diet		
17:12	Diet in Mild Crohn's Disease: What Works, Who Should We Target And When Should We Start?	CK Yao
17:24	Inflammation Without Symptoms: Should We Treat And What Does The Evidence Support?	Rupert Leong
17:36	Should Disease Location Influence Therapy Choice?	Lena Thin
17:48	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

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SESSION 4.2

BelleVue 2

Viral Hepatitis

Chairs: Jessica Howell & Natasha Janko

16:30	Novel Screening Strategies For Viral Hepatitis	Miriam Levy
16:45	Indeterminate Phase Chronic Hepatitis B: Risk Stratification And Treatment Decisions	Lung-Yi (Loey) Mak (HK)
17:00	qHBsAg- When Should I Order One?	Henry Chan (HK)
17:15	Digital Health Solutions For Viral Hepatitis	Rohit Gupta
17:30	Beyond Cure in HCV	Patricia Valery
17:45	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 4.3

River View 4

GI Cancer: Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Colorectal And Liver Cancer

Chairs: Graeme Young & Andrew Buckle

16:30	Aboriginal Colorectal Cancer Survivor: Her Story	Jenny Bedford
16:45	State of CRC Screening in Northern WA – What Are The Challenges?	Lorraine Anderson
17:05	Colorectal Cancer in Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander People: Critical Knowledge Gaps And Action Points	Susan Woods
17:20	The Regional WA Liver Cancer Journey	Tim Mitchell & Praneeth Gaddam
17:40	Panel discussion: Generate Strategies For Improvement, Future Directions For GESA /Research Needs/Position Papers	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 4.4

Meeting Rooms 1-3

Luminal & YGESA

Chairs: Mark Bonnicksen & Chales Cock

16:30	Practicalities of Manometry: What You Need to Know But Don't Want to Ask	Chiang Siah
16:50	Rumination And Belching: Diagnosis And Management	Jan Tack
17:10	Case discussions: Interpreting Manometry And pH Studies	Lisa S.E Shim

SESSION 4.5

River View 5

GENCA & Sustainability: Sustaining Gastroenterology: Greener Practice, Smarter Care

Chairs: Dunja Markovic & Christopher Leung

16:30	Practical Changes to Make Your Endoscopy Unit Sustainable	Shani George
16:50	Where Infection Control Meets Sustainability	Dianne Jones
17:10	Plastic and Sterile Water Usage in Endoscopy	Oliver Waters
17:30	Sustainability And IBD Practice	Ashish Srinivasan
17:50	Discussion Panel	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 4.6

Meeting Room 7

Nutrition Free Papers

Chairs: Emma Halmos & Caroline Tuck

16:30	Abstract 25: Safety And Effectiveness of Dietitian-led Endoscopy Ordering For Coeliac Disease Diagnosis: A Mixed Methods Evaluation	Liz Purcell
16:41	Abstract 149: Effects of Protein Supplementation on Faecal Hydrogen Sulphide Production: A Series of N-of-1 Trials in Healthy Men	Rachel Davis
16:52	Abstract 175: A Practical Framework For Implementing a Starch- And Sucrose-reduced Diet Using Australian National Food Composition Data	Carolyn English
17:03	Abstract 333: Home Parenteral Nutrition in Advanced Malignancy With Intestinal Failure: Early Outcomes And Prognostic Indicators From an Australian Tertiary Centre	Emma Bidgood
17:14-17:30	Abstract 121: Dietary Alterations in Patients With Acute Severe Ulcerative Colitis Influence Clinical Outcomes: Findings From a Retrospective Multi-centre Study	Megan Berner

18:10 - 18:40 GESA Board Awards | Room: Riverside Theatre

Chair: Alexander Thompson

18:10	Welcome & Introduction	Alex Thompson
18:13	GESA Outstanding Clinician Award Presentation: From Poona to just Poo!	Winita Hardikar
18:28	GESA Distinguished Researcher Prize Presentation: Collaboration de Livers	Darrell Crawford

19:15 | GESA AGW Social Dinner – Jazz Lounge + Dinner + Networking | BelleVue Ballroom 19:15-23:00

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07:00-08:15	Sponsored Symposium 4: Novo Nordisk – Wegovy® (semaglutide) 2.4 mg: A new standard of care in MASH management	Meeting Room 6
07:00-08:15	Sponsored Symposium 5: Johnson & Johnson – Aiming Higher. Expecting More. TREMFYA in Crohn's Disease	Meeting Room 8

07:00-08:15 Breakfast: Research Methods Clinical Meeting Room 7		Chairs: Emily Wright & Ahbinav Vasudevan
07:00	AI in Gastroenterology Research	Chamara Basnayake
07:30	AI in Endoscopy Research	David Hewett
08:00	Abstract 648: Comprehensive Artificial Intelligence For Pancreatic Cyst Detection, Classification And Dysplasia Grading in Endoscopic Ultrasound: A Multicenter Study	Vipul Aggarwal
08:10	Abstract 276: Access Without Accuracy: A Systematic Review of The Quality And Readability of Online Cirrhosis Information	Rhian Aghajani
08:20	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

YIA	Riverside Theatre	
	Young Investigator Awards (8min Talk 3min Q&A)	
	Chairs: Georgina Hold & Vicki Whitehall	
	08:30	Welcome & Introduction Georgina Hold & Vicki Whitehall
	08:35	Basic Science: Abstract 146: Harnessing Colorectal Tumour Enriched Glutamate to Improve E. coli Nissle Tumour Specificity Rebekah De Nys
	08:48	Clinical Research: Abstract 613: Deep Learning For Detection And Segmentation of Barrett's Dysplasia Using Densely Annotated Endoscopic Videos Jin Lin Tan
	09:01	Basic Science: Abstract 488: The Newly Discovered Driver of Crohn's disease Inflammation, Cloaking Antibodies, is a Key Determinant of Drug Treatment Outcome Abigail Tovey-Matthews
	09:14	Clinical Research: Abstract 292: A Post-pandemic "New Normal" For Alcohol-associated Hepatitis Hospitalisations Tim Phan
	09:27	Basic Science: Abstract 571: Persistent Early-life Microbiome Signatures in Adults With Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Insights From Random Forest Analysis Alex Noh
	09:40	Clinical Research: Abstract 579: Randomised Controlled Trial of Continued Intravenous Infliximab Versus Switching to Subcutaneous Infliximab in Inflammatory Bowel Disease: The Subcutaneous Infliximab Switch Study (SISS) John Chetwood
	09:53	Basic Science: Abstract 268: Donor Microbiome Engraftment in Severe Alcohol-associated Hepatitis Patients Post-faecal Microbiome Transplant Evan Pakuwal
	10:06	Clinical Research: Abstract 454: Autologous Fat Graft Injection in Circumferential Oesophageal ESD: Can Adipose-derived Stem Cells Prevent Fibrosis? Kathryn Gazelakis
	10:18	YIA People's Choice Awards Georgina Hold & Vicki Whitehall

10:30 — Morning Tea Served in The Exhibition Hall

SESSION 5.1	Riverside Theatre	
	Paediatric Session 2/Joint Session With Luminal Faculty	
	Chairs: Nikhil Thapar & Chamara Basnayake	
	11:00	Neurodiversity: A Primer For Gastroenterologists: Keynote Lecture Siu Min Tay
	11:20	Paediatric Conditions You Need to Know as an Adult GI (Oesophageal Atresia, EoE, Pseudo-obstruction) Usha Krishnan
	11:40	Case Based Panel Discussion Panel: Gastroenterologists, Dietician And Psychologist
	12:25	Wrap-up Nikhil Thapar

SESSION 5.2	BelleVue 2	
	Therapeutic Decision-making in Complex IBD	
	Chairs: Miles Sparrow & Susan Connor	
	A. Therapeutics Update	
	11:00	What Matters Most: Drug, Sequence, or Treatment Strategy? Peter Irving (UK)
	11:15	Managing Therapeutic Failure in 2026: Where Does Dual-targeted Therapy Fit? Anita Afzali (US)
	11:30	Panel Discussion All Speakers
	B. Perianal Crohn's Disease - What Are we Trying to Achieve And Can we Get There?	
	11:42	Perianal Crohn's Disease: Classifications And Treatment Targets Sulak Anandabaskaran
	11:54	Medical Therapy in Perianal CD: What Can It Realistically Achieve? Charlotte Keung
	12:06	Surgical Management: Timing, Setons, And What Gastroenterologists Need to Know Reuben Rajan
	12:18	Panel Discussion All Speakers

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SESSION 5.3	River View 4	
	Alcohol-associated Liver Disease	Chairs: Tess Bittermann & Chloe Attree
	11:00 MET-ALD	Mark Muthiah
	11:15 The Gut Microbiome in Alcohol Associated Liver Disease	Debbie Shawcross (UK)
	11:30 Latest Treatments in Severe Alcohol-associated Hepatitis	Briohny Smith
	11:45 Liver Transplantation For Alcohol Associated Liver Disease	Jessica Mellinger (US)
	12:00 Models of Care	Neeraj Bhala
	12:15 Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 5.4	Meeting Rooms: 1-3	
	Joint GI Cancer And Endoscopy:	Chairs: Erin Symonds & Andrew Trinh
	11:00 FIT Testing Optimisation	Uri Ladabaum (US)
	11:30 The Molecular Basis of Intestinal Metaplasia	Alex Boussioutas
	11:45 Improving Risk Prediction For Gastric Intestinal Metaplasia	Douglas Tjandra
	12:00 Regorafenib And Aspirin in Colorectal Cancer	Vicki Whitehall
	12:15 The State of FIT Screening in 2026	Erin Symonds

SESSION 5.5	River View 5	
	GENCA: From Consensus to Care: IBD Nursing in Action	Chairs: Jack Thomas & Ashlyn Kendall
	11:00 N-ECCO Consensus Statement Update	Daniel Lightowler
	11:20 The Elderly And IBD: The Ageing Patient And The Newly Diagnosed Older Patient	Carly Bramley
	11:40 Nurse-led Models of Care: What Does Excellence Look Like in 2026?	Alyssa Pettersen
	12:00 Abstract 96: Inflammatory Bowel Disease And Resilience in Adults- A Systematic Review	Carly Bramley
	12:15 Discussion Panel	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 5.6	Meeting Room 7	
	Sustainability And Nutrition: Food, Sustainability And The Gut	Chairs: Heidi Staudacher, Darcy Holt & Ele Stojanoska
	11:00 Diet, Plastics And The Gut: Unpacking an Emerging Health Concern	Amelia Harray
	11:15 Emerging Food Technologies: Supporting Healthy And Sustainable Eating	Lizhou Zhong
	11:30 The Mediterranean Diet For IBS And IBD: The Latest From Trials	Heidi Staudacher
	11:45 Ultraprocessed Foods And Their Impact on Gut Health	Matthew Snelson
	12:00 Ultraprocessed Food Recommendations For GI Practice	Darcy Holt
	12:15 Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Ele Stojanoska

12:30-14:00 — Lunch Served in The Exhibition Hall

12:30-13:00 Sponsored Session: Ipsen | Exhibition Hall: theatrette

13:00-13:55 GESA AGM & YIA Winners Announced | Riverside Theatre

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SESSION 6.1

Riverside Theatre

Liver Free Papers 2

Chairs: Emily He & Angus Jeffrey

14:00	Locarnini Award- For the Best Abstract in Viral Hepatitis	Alexander Thompson
14:02	Abstract 363: Expansion And Characterisation of Hepatitis B Virus-specific Memory Natural Killer Cells For Adoptive Cell Therapy (Locarnini Award)	Dishen Chen
14:13	Abstract 82: Contemporary Epidemiology And Real-world Management of Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) in Australia: Insights From a Prospective Australian National Clinical Quality Registry	Jonathon Abdelmalak
14:24	Abstract 97: Transition to Adult Services After Paediatric Liver Transplantation: Long-term Clinical And Psychosocial Outcomes	Fadak Mohammadi
14:35	Abstract 119: Intracellular Dipeptidyl Peptidase 9 Can Influence Glycolytic Pathways And Mitochondrial Structure in Hepatocellular Carcinoma Cell Lines, And in Silico Evidence For Glycolysis Regulation in Human HCC	Mark Gorrell
14:46	Abstract 69: Cost Effectiveness of Care Coordination in Decompensated Cirrhosis: Results of The ALFIE Trial	Alan Wigg
14:57	Abstract 144: Performance of a Saliva-based Diagnostic Test For Liver Fibrosis in a Specialist Liver Clinic	Namratha Reddy
15:08	Abstract 335: Weight-dependent And Independent Effects of Semaglutide in Participants With Metabolic Dysfunction-associated Steatohepatitis: Secondary Analysis of The Phase 3 ESSENCE Trial	Leon Adams
15:19	Abstract 349: Outpatient Albumin Infusions Reduce Paracentesis Without Increasing Costs in Cirrhosis: A National Real-world Cost-comparison Study	Siddharth Sood

SESSION 6.2

BelleVue 2

Endoscopy Free Papers 2

Chairs: Sundeep Lakhtakia (IN) & Bronte Holt

14:00	Abstract 627: Utilisation of The 3.9fr Tip Sphincterotome Compared to The 4.4fr Tip Sphincterotome in Performing Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography Reduced The Need For Advanced Cannulation Technique And Pancreas Stenting With Subsequent Cost Reductions	Adrian Lok Hin Lee
14:11	Abstract 583: A Standardised Decompression And Closure Protocol For Capnoperitoneum During Endoscopic Resection For Gastric Neoplasia	Alec Hope
14:22	Abstract 577: Is Post-EMR Clip Closure For Right Colon Polyps Effective to Prevent Bleeding? A Pragmatic Analysis	Anthony Sakirisis
14:33	Abstract 492: Real-life Clinical Validation of Artificial Intelligence-assisted Evaluation of Pancreatic Solid Lesions in Endoscopic Ultrasound: A Transcontinental Multicentre Study	Rajiv Kurup
14:44	Abstract 567: Real-life Clinical Validation of AI-assisted Evaluation of Indeterminate Biliary strictures in Digital-single Operator Cholangioscopy: A Transcontinental Multicentric Study	Mathew Keegan
15:06	Abstract 582: Improving Histological Assessment of Intraductal Extension in Papillary Adenomas by Guidewire Cannulation of The ex Vivo Specimen	Clarence Kerrison
15:17	Abstract 683: Tracing The Arc of Proficiency: Sequential Analysis of Consecutive POEM Procedures	Anandpreet Ghataura
15:28	Abstract 352: Dedicated Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Endoscopy Pathway Improves Access to Endoscopy Services	Enoka Gonsalkorala

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SESSION 6.3

River View 4

Luminal Free Papers

Chairs: Jason Tye-Din & Alexandra Mack

14:00	Abstract 681: Complete Data of The First Comparative Effectiveness Trial of PPI vs Topical Corticosteroids For Patients With EoE And Food Bolus Impaction. A Randomised Cross-over Study	Hamish Philpott
14:11	Abstract 418: Toward Needle-free Coeliac Disease Screening: Salivary Transglutaminase-IgA Detection Using an Ultrasensitive ADAP Assay	Cynthia Kanagasundaram
14:22	Abstract 406: Acute Food-triggered Gastrointestinal Symptoms in Adult-onset FPIES Are Associated With a Circulating Cytokine Activation Profile	Jesse Ekin
14:33	Abstract 407: Australian Clinical Practice Variation Highlights The Need to Standardise Coeliac Disease Biopsy Handling, Reporting And Follow-up Assessment	Gillian Skardoon
14:44	Abstract 229: No Difference in Adherence or Clinical Response to a Digital Brain-gut Behavioural Therapy Program Among 26,008 Users Reporting Food-related or Stress-related Primary Symptom Triggers	Simone Peters
14:55	Abstract 193: With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility: Preparing For a Surge in Immune-related Adverse Events	Finn Sisson
15:06	Abstract 593: Eosinophilic Esophagitis is Increasing in Prevalence And Presents Frequently in Pollen Season. Results of a Comprehensive 10-year Statewide Data Bank in Western Australia	Hamish Philpott
15:17	Withdrawn - Abstract 115	

SESSION 6.4

Meeting Rooms: 1-3

Sustainability And Routine GI Endoscopy Free Papers

Chairs: Christopher Leung & Daniel Schneider

14:00	Abstract 84: Sustainable Endoscopy: Optimising Waste And Costs in a High-volume Tertiary Hospital Endoscopy Unit	Shirin Salimi
14:11	Abstract 243: Intestinal Ultrasound Guided Management has Substantial Cost-savings And Reduction in Carbon Footprint in an Inflammatory Bowel Disease Service	Timothy Ford & Ibrahim Mian
14:22	Abstract 315: Objective OSA Metrics Do Not Predict Recovery Following Gastrointestinal Endoscopy	Athanasios Malkopoulos
14:33	Abstract 696: A Clinician-Built Electronic App For Colonoscopy Booking, Surveillance Rebooking, And High-risk Patient Monitoring in a Bowel Screening Programme	Joshua Rogers
14:44	Abstract 424: Age-related Patterns of Colorectal Neoplasia in an Australian Cohort: Implications For Earlier Screening	Harshil Trivedi
14:55	Abstract 79: Time is The Master Variable: Extended Withdrawal Time Optimises Sessile Serrated Lesion Detection And Mitigates Suboptimal Bowel Preparation	David Edwards
15:06	Abstract 459: Improving Endoscopy Service Provision Through Waitlist Optimisation: Outcomes From a Tertiary Quality Improvement Initiative	Michael MacIsaac
17:17	Abstract 535: Idle Time And Microbiological Surveillance Increase The Operational Burden of Endoscope Reprocessing	Benedict Devereaux

SESSION 6.5

River View 5

IBD Free Papers 2

Chairs: Peter Irving & Réme Mountifield

14:00	Abstract 347: Real-world Effectiveness of Upadacitinib For Crohn's Disease: One-Year Outcomes From a Multicentre Cohort Examining Complex Phenotypes	Robert Gilmore
14:11	Abstract 299: A High Emulsifier Diet Does Not Worsen Inflammatory Cytokine Profile or Intestinal Barrier Function in Crohn's Disease	Jessica Fitzpatrick
14:22	Abstract 332: Exclusive Enteral Nutrition Induces Transmural Healing And Improves Body Composition in Adults With Active Crohn's Disease	Sarah Melton
14:33	Abstract 373: Real-world Outcomes of First- versus Second-line Adalimumab in Perianal Fistulising Crohn's Disease	John Nik Ding
14:44	Abstract 588: Increased Fibromuscular Features on Histopathology may Reduce Risk of Surgical Recurrence After Bowel Resection For Crohn's Strictures	Charlotte Keung
14:55	Abstract 689: Early Biologic Treatment was Associated With Lower Rates of Surgery in Patients With Crohn's Disease: A Retrospective Cohort Study.	Janny Huang Fu
15:06	Abstract 244: Advanced Combination Therapy in Refractory Inflammatory Bowel Disease: High Real-world Remission Rates in a Heavily Pre-treated Cohort	Athanasios Malkopoulos
15:17	Abstract 667: Adherence to Oral Advanced Therapies is Superior to that of Intravenous or Subcutaneous Advanced Therapy in Inflammatory Bowel Disease	Gary Louie

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SESSION 6.6

Meeting Room 7

Regional, Remote & Indigenous		Chairs: Purnima Bhat & Khizar Niazi
14:00	ANZGITA / Remote Endoscopy Training Session	Chris Hair
14:18	Viral Hepatitis / HCC Screening	Jane Davies
14:36	Queensland wide audit of Rural Generalist Endoscopy - Quality Colonoscopy Closer to Home	Michael McLaughlin and Raymond Lewandowski
14:54	Inequality in Health Access – A Case-based Discussion Case Study: Is Postcode an Undisclosed MELD Criterion?	Moderator: Purnima Bhat Case: Ben Gomez
15:04	Panel Discussion: Inequality in Health Access: Liver Transplantation Panelists: Tim Mitchell (live), Gary Jeffrey (live) Raymond Lewandowski (live) and remotely Chris Hair and Jane Davies	
15:15	Wrap-up	Purnima Bhat

15:30 — Afternoon Tea Served in The Exhibition Hall

SESSION 7.1

Riverside Theatre

IBD in Practice: Common Questions, Practical Answers		Chairs: Kate Lynch & Kannan Venugopal
15:50	Assessing Response in IBD Therapy: When Should I Check, What Should I Use, And Does Treatment Choice Change The Timeline?	Lauren White
16:08	Complementary And Alternative Medicines in IBD: What Should I Tell Patients?	Sherman Picardo
16:26	Metabolic Syndrome in IBD: An Overlooked Comorbidity?	Patricia Kaazan
16:44	Managing Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders in IBD	Michael Schultz
17:02	Endoscopic Management of Crohn's Disease Strictures: Lessons From An Advanced Endoscopist	Sneha John

SESSION 7.2

BelleVue 2

Luminal: Understanding mechanisms in Disordered Gut Brain Interactions		Chairs: Peter Gibson & Trina Kellar
15:50	Food, Microbiome And Symptom Generation in DGBI	Jan Tack
16:15	Mechanisms of Anorectal Disorders	Allison Malcolm
16:30	The Bi-directional Highway: Deciphering The Brain-gut-microbiome Axis in DGBI	Sasha Fehily
16:45	Is Histamine The New Diet on The Block? Emerging Mechanisms And Dietary Targets'	Caroline Tuck
17:00	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 7.3

River View 4

BSG & GESA International Joint Session: UK–Australia Collaboration in Gastroenterology & Hepatology: Innovation, Workforce, And The Future Specialist		Chairs: Alex Boussioutas & Krish Ragunath
15:50	Welcome And Session Overview	Alex Boussioutas
15:55	Future Directions in Advanced Endoscopy; What Should Tomorrow's Gastroenterologist Be Trained to do?	Bu'Hussain Hayee (UK)
16:10	Approaches to— specialist And primary care interface in Gastroenterology	Jane Andrews
16:25	Training The Modern Hepatologist: Managing Complexity, Multimorbidity, And Acute Liver Failure	Debbie Shawcross
16:40	From Bench to Bedside to Training Programme: Preparing Trainees For Translational Gastroenterology	Peter Irving
16:55	Panel Discussion: Training The Next Generation: What Skills, What Structure, What Support? Panel: Mo Thoufeeq, Alex Boussioutas And (Shirin Salimi And Claudia Gardner [Advanced Trainee])	Panel Facilitator: Neeraj Bhala
17:15	Key Takeaways And Closing Remarks	Krish Ragunath

SESSION 7.5

River View 5

HCC1/LCC- Breaking Boundaries in HCC: Biology Meets Intervention		Chairs: LungYi (Loey) Mak (HK) & Lauren Tang
15:50	Biology-driven Locoregional Therapy: Is It Time For Routine Tumour Biopsy?	Michael Wallace
16:05	The Molecular Basis of Adding Immunotherapy to Locoregional Therapies	Jennifer Currenti
16:20	What is The Role of SIRT in 2026?	Laura Kulik (US)
16:50	Liver Transplant For HCC: Expanding Boundaries, Refining Selection	Ken Liu
17:05	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

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SESSION 7.6

Meeting Room 7

Paediatric Session 3: Hepatology

Chairs: Jonathan Hind & Winita Hardikar

15:50	Paediatric Liver Transplantation In ANZ: What Does The Future Hold	Helen Evans (NZ)
16:10	Gene Therapy For Severe Liver Diseases	Kathryn Mullany
16:30	Abstract 160: Do ATP7B Missense Mutations Influence The Severity And Outcomes in Wilson Disease? (8min & 2min Q&A)	Moinak Sen Sarma
16:40	Abstract 340: Proton Pump Inhibitor Exposure And Gut Microbiome Development in Young Children With Cystic Fibrosis: Insights From The PEARL-CF Study (8min & 2min Q&A)	Michael Coffey
16:50	Portal Hypertension: Contemporary Insights	Vivek Rajasekaran
17:05	MASLD: A Bigger Problem?	Emma Turner

SESSION 8.1

Riverside Theatre

IBD Care Beyond The Clinic

Chair: Ed Giles & Cheryl Foo

17:30	Transition in IBD: What Works, And What Doesn't in Canada?	Tom Walters (CA)
17:45	The Psychological Burden of IBD in Adolescence	Hilina Winkenweder
18:00	The IBD Nurse- Patient Relationship: What Works, And Why it Matters? A Patient Perspective: Why Access to Multidisciplinary Care Matters?	Daniel Lightowler IBD Patient
18:20	Advanced IBD Therapies In Australia: An Update on Access And Prescribing	Ray Boyapati
18:40	Debate: Are Kids With IBD Harder to Manage Than Adults?	Affirmative Gregory Moore Negative Shoma Dutt

SESSION 8.2

BelleVue 2

GI Cancer: GI Immunotherapy Interest Group

Chair: Andrew Buckle & Alex Boussioutas

17:30	The Challenges in Diagnosing And Managing irAE Gastritis And Enteritis	Andrew Trinh
17:45	irAE Colitis- What Every Gastroenterologist Should Know	Jonathan Segal
18:00	Checkpoint Colitis: Evolving Diagnostics And Treatment Strategies	Steven Nicolaides
18:15	Gastrintestinal irAEs- A Medical Oncology Perspective	Peter Lau
18:30	irAE Duodenopathy- A Novel Coeliac Mimic	Tamara Mogilevski
18:45	The Immunotherapy Patient With Abnormal Liver Tests: A Practical Guide	Zaid Ardan

SESSION 8.3

River View 4

Advanced MAFLD

Chairs: Melita Andelkovic & Neeraj Bhala

17:30	Pharmacotherapy For MASLD in Cirrhosis	Mark Muthiah (SG)
17:50	Nutrition in MASH Cirrhosis: Too Much, Too Little, or The Wrong Kind?	May Kang
18:05	Controversies Regarding Albumin Therapy in Cirrhosis	Wim Laleman (BE)
18:25	Tackling MAFLD at Scale: Insights From The USA	Jessica Mellinger (US)
18:40	Safety And Benefits of Exercise in Cirrhosis	Shelley Keating
18:55	Panel Discussion	All Speakers & Chairs

SESSION 8.4

Meeting Rooms 1-3

Sustainability: Future-proofing Your Practice: The New Standard of High-value, Sustainable GI Care

Chairs: Krish Ragunath & Purnima Bhat

17:30	High Value Endoscopy Towards a Carbon Neutral World: The UK Experience	Bu'Hussain' Hayee (UK)
15:50	Frontline Gastroenterology: Maximising Value With Next-generation Non-invasive Tests	Ricardo Juwaran (NZ)
18:10	Launch of NSW Sustainable Endoscopy Toolkit	Miriam Levy
18:30	The New GI Toolkit in Practice: Case-based Lessons in High-value Care	Finlay Macrae
18:50	Panel Discussion: How Should Sustainability Influence Clinical Decision Making?	All Speakers & Chairs

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SESSION 8.6

Meeting Room 7

Endoscopy Video Forum (8.6) (8min & 2min Q&A)

Chairs: Matthew Keegan & Vipul Aggarwal

17:30	Pancreatotomy-directed Laser Lithotripsy via The Minor Papilla of a Distal Pancreatic Stone With Concomitant Papillary Mucosal Changes	Wai Kin Su
17:40	Combined POEM And Septotomy Under-saline: A Novel Approach to Management of EGJ Outflow Obstruction With Epiphrenic Diverticulum	Hunter Wang
17:50	Single-session EUS-guided Double Bypass For Malignant Gastric Outlet And Distal Biliary Obstruction	Rajit Gilhotra
18:00	Pre-operative Pancreatotomy via Minor Papilla Through Multi-stage EDGE For The Management of MD-IPMN With High-grade Dysplasia in Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Anatomy	Luke Vlismas
18:10	Unusual lesions at The End of The Alley	Ban Hong, Ang
18:20	Single-session Laparoscopic-assisted Antegrade- retrograde Rendezvous Recanalisation For Complete Oesophageal Obstruction	Andrew Tang
18:30	Endoscopic Management of Full Circumferential Oesophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma - a Learning Case From Resection to Management of Complications	Ban Hong Ang
18:40	Beyond Enteroscopy-assisted ERCP: Cholangioscopy via Short Single-balloon Enteroscopy For Complete Biliary Stone Clearance in Surgically Altered Anatomy	Pathipat Durongpongkasem
18:50	Percutaneous Cholangioscopy For Laser Lithotripsy in a Post- Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Patient	Alec Hope

19:00 Official Poster Round for POMs & Case Studies 19:00 - 19:30 | Poster of Merit Defending and Light Dinner and Drinks 19:30 - 20:30

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Live Endoscopy Faculty: Nick Burgess, Michael Bourke, Krish Ragunath, Marcus Chin, Payal Saxena, Yuto Shimamura, Bronte Holt, Nagi Reddy (IN) & Mohan Ramchandran (IN)

Live Endoscopy Session 1 - Upper GI Endoscopy

Chair: Saurabh Gupta

08:30 Live Endoscopy: Upper GI Endoscopy
Panel Discussion

Panel: Andrew Taylor, Bu Hayee, Matthew Remedios & Linda Zhang

09:30 Invited Lecture 1: Barrett's Neoplasia in 2026: Beyond EMR And RFA

Raj Singh

Key Learning Objectives:

- Contemporary Role of ESD in Barrett's Neoplasia
- Advances in Ablative Therapy
- Cryotherapy And Hybrid APC
- Organ-preserving Treatment Strategies
- Future Directions in Surveillance And Cancer Prevention

Live Endoscopy Session 2 - Upper GI / Lower GI Endoscopy

Chair: Saurabh Gupta

09:50 Live Endoscopy: Upper GI / Lower GI Endoscopy
Panel Discussion

Panel: William Tam, Bu Hayee, Sneha John & Michael Ma

River View 4 & 5

HCC 2 / LCC - Surveillance, Staging, Stratification

Chairs: Ken Liu & Nina Tirnitz-Parker

08:30 Molecular And Genomic Landscape of Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Jean-Charles Nault (FR)

09:00 Methylation-based ctDNA Detection in HCC

Rodrigo Carlessi

09:15 Optimising HCC Surveillance in Asia-Pacific: Controversies, Evidence Gaps And Emerging Strategies

Henry Chan

09:45 Clinical Applications of PET Imaging in HCC

Nicholas Hannah

10:00 Staging Systems in 2026: Is BCLC Still Enough?

Jessica Howell

10:15 Panel Discussion

All Speakers & Chairs

10:30 — Morning Tea Served in The Exhibition Hall

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Live Endoscopy Session 3 - Lower GI Endoscopy

Chair: Matthew Remedios

11:00 Invited Lecture: Beyond the Headlines: NordICC, Colonoscopy and the Future of CRC Screening

Uri Ladabaum (US)

Key Learning Objectives:

- Understanding The 13-year NordICC Results
- Critical Appraisal of StudyDesign And Interpretation
- Colonoscopy And Colorectal Cancer Prevention
- Implications For Population Screening Programs
- Future Directions in Risk-stratified Screening

11:20 Live Endoscopy 3: Lower GI Endoscopy

Panel Discussion

Panel: Cameron Bell, David Hewett, Sneha John & Mark Appleyard

River View 4 & 5

HCC3/LCC - Advanced liver cancer in 2026:

Chairs: Manon Allaire (FR), Michael Wallace

Sequencing, Survivorship And Science

11:00 How to Choose First And Second Line Systemic Therapies For Unresectable HCC

Manon Allaire (FR)

11:30 Disease Time Burden, Toxicity And Survivorship in Advanced-stage HCC

Lung-Yi (Loey) Mak (HK)

11:45 Molecularly Targeted Therapies For Cholangiocarcinoma

Benjamin Dwyer

12:00 HCC Variants - Fibrolamellar, Cholangio-HCC

Jean-Charles Nault (FR)

12:15 The Role of Exercise in HCC Management

Shirin Salimi

12:30 Panel Discussion - Based Around an Interactive Case

Moderator: Michael Wallace
Case Presenter: Richard Goodheart

Panel: Jean-Charles Nault (FR), Laura Kulik (US), Manon Allaire (FR) & Loey Mak (HK)

13:00 — Lunch Served in The Exhibition Hall

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SESSION 11.1

Riverside Theatre

Live Endoscopy Session 4 - ERCP & Interventional EUS

Chair: Krish Ragunath

14:00 Invited Lecture: When ERCP Is Not Enough: The Expanding Role of Therapeutic EUS

Sundeep Lakhtakia (IN)

Key Learning Objectives:

- EUS-guided Biliary Drainage
- EUS-guided Gastroenterostomy
- Gallbladder Drainage
- Pancreatic Duct Interventions
- Current Evidence And Future Applications

14:20 Live Endoscopy 4: ERCP And Interventional EUS
Panel Discussion

Panel: Nam Nguyen, Saurabh Gupta, Andrew Metz & Charlotte Knox

15:20 Summary of The Day And Closing Remarks

Krish Ragunath

15:30 AGW Concludes