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Thursday, 26 November 2026

Pre-Meeting Practical Course on Functional Gastrointestinal Testing

Venue: Clinica Medicala 2, Str. Clinicilor 4-6

09:00 – 13:00 **Pre-Meeting Practical Course on Functional Gastrointestinal Testing**
Course directors: Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA, Liliana DAVID

09:00 – 09:10 **Introduction**
Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA, Liliana DAVID

09:10 – 09:25 **Indications: Esophageal HR Manometry and pH Monitoring**
Vasile DRUG

09:25 – 10:15 **Practical case - Protocol Chicago 4**
Liliana DAVID, Castalia MAIER

10:15 – 11:15 **Data analysis**
Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA

11:15 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 11:45 **Indications: Anorectal HR Manometry**
Dan DUMITRASCU

11:45 – 12:05 **Practical case: Protocol Lyon 2**
Liliana DAVID, Castalia MAIER

12:05 – 12:30 **Data analysis**
Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA

12:30 – 13:00 **Esophageal pH-impedance monitoring**
Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA

13:00 **Adjournment**

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Grand Hotel Napoca – Atena Hall

15:00 – 18:32 **Session 1 – Upper gut I**
Chairs: Anca DIMITRIU, Ioan SPOREA, Stefan POPA

Each lecture 10 minutes + 2 minutes discussion

15:00 – 15:12 **EGJ in dysphagia: interplay between pressure and distensibility**
Radu TUTUIAN, *Morges*

15:12 – 15:24 **Role of HR Esophageal Manometry in GERD**
Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA, *Cluj-Napoca*

15:24 – 15:36 **Pitfalls in High resolution esophageal manometry**
Anca DIMITRIU, *Bucharest*

15:35 – 15:48 **Standardized dynamic maneuvers — deep inspiration, gastric insufflation and the hiatal provocation test — increase endoscopic detection of hiatal hernia 6.5-fold in refractory gastroesophageal reflux disease: a cohort study of 82 patients**
Viorel ISTRATE, *Chisinau*

15:48 – 16:18 **Satellite symposium Terapia**

16:18 – 16:33 **Satellite symposium Sanofi**

16:33 – 16:45 **GERD in Albania**
Adelina GALICA, *Korce*

16:45 – 16:57 **Salivary Peptidoma-a possible marker for GERD?**
Diana-Elena FLORIA, Oana BARBOI, Vasile Liviu DRUG, *Iasi*

16:57 – 17:09 **Bidirectional relation between GERD, anxiety and depression**
Ecaterina MUNTEANU, Mihaela STOICA, Oxana SARBU, *Chisinau*

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17:09 – 17:21	The Esophagus in Systemic Sclerosis - when should Rheumatology call us in? Claudia PUSCASU, Bogdan MATEESCU, <i>Bucharest</i>
17:21 – 17:33	AI in achalasia Cristina CIJEVSCHI, Iolanda POPA, Catalina MIHAI, <i>Iasi</i>
17:33 – 17:45	Post-reflux swallow-induced peristaltic wave index and mean nocturnal baseline impedance in the Rome V phenotyping of children with reflux symptoms Radu Samuel POP, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i>
17:45 – 17:57	Gastroparesis update Simona GRAD, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i>
17:57 – 18:09	Secondary achalasia associated with a malignant pleural tumor: a diagnostic challenge Monica PANTEA, <i>Targu Mures</i>
18:09 – 18:29	Satellite symposium Dr. Reddy's
18:29 – 18:42	Satellite symposium Biocodex
18:45 – 19:00	Official Opening of the Meeting
19:00 – 21:00	Networking

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Friday, 27 November 2026

09:00 – 11:02 **Session 2 - Upper Gut II**
Chairs: Marcel TANTAU, Roxana SIRLI, Bogdan MATEESCU

Each lecture 10 minutes + 2 minutes discussion

09:00 – 09:12 **Gastric emptying in the incretin era: iatrogenic gastroparesis, true gastroparesis, or functional dyspepsia?**
Anca NEGOVAN, *Targu Mures*

09:12 – 09:24 **Challenges in Helicobacter pylori treatment**
Roxana SIRLI, *Timisoara*

09:24 – 09:36 **Ultrasound in functional dyspepsia. How to use ultrasound?**
Ioan SPOREA, *Timisoara*

09:36 – 09:48 **Challenges of refractory functional dyspepsia**
Stefan POPA, *Cluj-Napoca*

09:48 – 10:00 **Functional or organic dyspepsia: how to differentiate**
Simona BATAGA, *Targu Mures*

10:00 – 10:12 **Management of motility pathology of the GI tract**
Marcel TANTAU, *Cluj-Napoca*

10:12 – 10:42 **Satellite symposium Alfasigma**

10:42 – 11:02 **Satellite symposium Mayoly**

11:02 – 11:15 **Coffee Break**

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11:15 – 13:15 **Session 3 – Lower Gut I**
Chairs: Anca NEGOVAN, Laurentiu NEDELCU, Eugen TCACIUC

Each lecture 10 minutes + 2 minutes discussion

11:15 – 11:27 **Faecal microbiota transplantation in immune-checkpoint inhibitor colitis: a pan-european case series**
William FUSCO, *Rome*

11:27 – 11:39 **Gut microbiota signatures in IBS in the era of precision medicine**
Giuseppe SCARLATA, Ludovico ABENAVOLI, *Catanzaro*

11:39 – 11:51 **Diet, microbiota and IBD**
Alina TANTAU, *Cluj-Napoca*

11:51 – 12:03 **Antibiotics as risk factor in IBS**
Abdulrahman ISMAIEL, *Cluj-Napoca*

12:03 – 12:15 **The interference between irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) and post-COVID syndrome: diagnostic and therapeutic challenges in the syndemic era**
Alexandru BABIN, *Chisinau*

12:15 – 12:27 **Intestinal disorders of gut-brain Interaction in the Rome V era: pain, bloating, altered bowel habits, and multimodal treatment**
Liudmila TOFAN-SCUTARU, *Chisinau*

12:27 – 12:39 **Obesity and Irritable Bowel Syndrome: Unraveling the Relationship**
Irina CIORTESCU, Alina PLESA, Oana BARBOI, *Iasi*

12:39 – 12:51 **Rare causes of chronic constipation**
Elena GOLOGAN, Radu VULPOI, Celina STAFIE, Oana TIMOFTE, Georgiana Emmanuela Gîlcă BLANARIU, Andrei Nicolae GOLOGAN, Dimitrie Ștefan GOLOGAN, Bianca CĂRĂUȘU, Vasile DRUG, *Iasi*

12:51 – 13:03 **New perspectives in the treatment of Chronic Constipation**
Laurentiu NEDELCU, *Brasov*

13:03 – 13:15 **Anorectal manometry in patients with defecation problems**

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Georgiana TUTUIAN, *Lausanne*

13:15 – 13:25 **Satellite symposium Raiffeisen**

13:25 – 14:00 **Lunch and poster session**

EAGEN Postgraduate course
Course directors: Jan TACK, Dan DUMITRASCU



14:00 – 14:10 **Introduction**

14:10 – 16:10 **Session I**
Chairs: Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA, Simona BATAGA,
Adrian GOLDIS

14:10 – 14:25 **What has been improved by Rome V?**
Jan TACK, Leuven

14:25 – 14:30 **Q&A, Discussion**

14:30 – 14:45 **The patient behind IBS: the role of the personality**
Daniel KESZTHELYI, Maastricht

14:45 – 14:50 **Q&A, discussion**

14:50 – 15:05 **Modern assessment of gut-brain axis function. Connection with food, microbes, and motility**
Piero PORTINCASA, Bari (online)

15:05 – 15:10 **Q&A, discussion**

15:10 – 15:25 **A Romanian perspective on DGBI**
Dan L. DUMITRASCU, Cluj-Napoca



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15:25 – 15:30	Q&A, discussion
15:30 – 15:45	Dietary advice in disorders of gut-brain interaction Aida ZVIRBLIENE, <i>Kaunas</i>
15:45 – 15:50	Q&A, discussion
15:50 – 16:05	The Microbiota–Brain Axis: Expanding Perspectives Beyond the Gut (lecture by the 1 st Prize, Bridging Meeting 2025 Cluj–Napoca) Konrad LEHR, <i>Erlangen</i>
16:05 – 16:10	Q&A, discussion
16:10 – 16:30	Coffee Break
16:30 – 18:50	Session II Chairs: Simona GRAD, Anca TRIFAN, Radu TUTUIAN
16:30 – 16:45	Updates on IBS from the European Project Discovery Javier SANTOS, <i>Barcelona</i>
16:45 – 16:50	Q&A, discussion
16:50 – 17:05	Is endoscopy useful in the diagnosis of DGBI? Vasile DRUG, <i>Iasi</i>
17:05 – 17:10	Q&A, discussion
17:10 – 17:25	How to modulate microbiota Carmelo SCARPIGNATO, <i>Malta (online)</i>
17:25 – 17:30	Q&A, discussion
17:30 – 17:45	Update on diverticular disease Antonio TURSI, <i>Barletta (online)</i>
17:45 – 17:50	Q&A, discussion

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17:50 – 18:05	Management difficulties of the abdominal wall pain Aurel NEAMTU, <i>Louisville, Kentucky</i>
18:05 – 18:10	Q&A, discussion
18:10 – 18:25	Pepsinogen I as marker of gastric acid production: a comparison with gastric juice stimulation test Francesco DI MARIO, <i>Parma</i>
18:25 – 18:30	Q&A, discussion
18:30 – 18:45	Indications and limits of Endo-FLIP Daniel POHL, <i>Zürich</i>
18:45 – 18:50	Q&A, discussion
18:50 – 19:30	General Assembly of SRNG
20:00	Gala Dinner

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Saturday, 28 November 2026

09:00 – 11:03 **Session 4 – Lower gut I**
Chairs: Lidia CIOBANU, Georgiana GILCA-BLANARIU,
Mihaela FADGYAS-STANCULETE

Each lecture 10 minutes + 2 minutes discussion

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| 09:00 – 09:12 | Anorectal Physiology & Pelvic Floor Disorders: The Gastroenterologist's Role
Rosana TROSKOT PERIĆ, <i>Zagreb</i> |
| 09:12 – 09:24 | Anorectal motor and evacuation disorders: the Rome V consensus
Eugen TCACIUC, <i>Chisinau</i> |
| 09:24 – 09:36 | Pain and anorectal sensory dysfunctions: the Rome V framework
Catalina OLARU-STAVILA, <i>Chisinau</i> |
| 09:36 – 09:48 | The role of high-resolution manometry in the diagnosis of anorectal functional disorders in patients with IBD
Oana PETREA, Anca TRIFAN, Oana BARBOI, Vasile DRUG, <i>Iasi</i> |
| 09:48 – 10:00 | Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disorders from diagnosis to treatment
Alexandra CHIRA, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i> |
| 10:00 – 10:12 | Gastrointestinal adverse effects induced by immune checkpoint inhibitors
Lidia CIOBANU, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i> |
| 10:12 – 10:24 | Neuroinflammation in gastrointestinal tube
Ovidiu FRATILA, <i>Oradea</i> |
| 10:24 – 10:36 | Ultrasonographic applications in DGBI
Radu BADEA, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i> |
| 10:36 – 10:48 | Post-infectious colitis abdominal pain
Georgiana GILCA-BLANARIU, <i>Iasi</i> |

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10:48 – 11:00	Emotion regulation in irritable bowel syndrome: from mechanisms to clinical implications Mihaela FADGYAS-STANCULETE, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i>
11:00 – 11:15	Satellite symposium Reckitt
11:15 – 11:30	Satellite symposium Salveo
11:30 – 11:45	Coffee Break
11:45 – 14:31	Session 5 - Miscellanea Chair: Dan GHEONEA, Zeno SPARCHEZ, Horia STEFANESCU

Each lecture 10 minutes + 2 minutes discussion

11:45 – 11:57	Modificările functionale digestive la pacientul în tratament pentru obezitate Dan GHEONEA, <i>Craiova</i>
11:57 – 12:09	Adverse effects of GLP1-RA Anca TRIFAN, Cristina MUZICA, <i>Iasi</i>
12:09 – 12:21	The Gut-Liver-Brain Axis: from primum movens in pathogenesis to end-stage complications of liver diseases Bogdan PROCOPET, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i>
12:21 – 12:33	Gallbladder and sphincter of Oddi disorders Andrada SEICEAN, Voicu REDNIC, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i>
12:33 – 12:45	Digestive enzymes and synbiotics in DGBI: effects on gastrointestinal outcomes Doina ISTRATESCU, Mircea DICULESCU, <i>Bucharest</i>
12:45 – 12:57	Mechanisms and effects of the microbiome-gut-lung axis on pulmonary diseases Paul J. PORR, Corina PORR, <i>Sibiu</i>

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| 12:57 – 13:09 | EUS-Guided Celiac Plexus Block and Neurolysis: Translating Visceral Neuroanatomy into Targeted Pain Therapy?
Gheorghe BALAN Jr., <i>Iasi</i> |
| 13:09 – 13:21 | Intra and post-procedural pain in thermal liver ablations for liver tumors. How to manage it
Zeno SPARCHEZ, Sergiu SARGAROVSKI, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i> |
| 13:21 – 13:33 | Therapy of central abdominal pain syndrome
Mirela PERNE, Mircea MILACIU, <i>Cluj-Napoca</i> |
| 13:33 – 13:45 | Satellite Symposia Dr. Max |
| 13:45 – 13:55 | Satellite Symposia Biessen Pharma |
| 13:55 – 14:07 | High-resolution manometry in GERD: from diagnosis to therapeutic decision making
Oana BARBOI, Valeria BATRINEAC, Diana FLORIA, Cristian LUPASCU, Oana PETREA, Vasile DRUG, <i>Iasi</i> |
| 14:07 – 14:19 | Targeted central neuromodulation in antisecretory-refractory functional dyspepsia: A prospective clinical study aligned with new guidelines
Laura DIACONU, <i>Bucharest</i> |
| 14:19 – 14:31 | Impact on Quality of Life in the Overlap Between Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease and Irritable Bowel Syndrome
Carmen ANTON, <i>Iasi (online)</i> |
| 14:31 – 14:45 | Closing
Posters awards
Announcement of next meeting |

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POSTER SESSION

Poster Evaluation Committee: Anca DIMITRIU, Vasile DRUG, Dan Dumitrascu, Adrian GOLDIS, Laurentiu NEDELCU

EP1. Distinguishing rare disease from treatment-related complication: the role of lymphocyte immunophenotyping in colonic biopsies

Matei-Ciprian ANGHEL, Bogdan Cristian TĂMAȘ, Răzvan Andrei IACOB, Mona DUMBRAVĂ, Gabriel BECHEANU, Daniela Cristina ANGHEL, *Bucharest*

EP2. Diagnostic and Technical Challenges of Endoscopically Guided High-Resolution Manometry in Severe Type II Achalasia: A Case Report

Andreea APĂDURĂRIȚEI, Cătălin-Victor SFARTI, *Iasi*

EP3. Overlap syndrome between NSAID-induced gastroenteropathy and DGBI

Babin PAVEL, *Chisinau*

EP4. The gut–brain axis, oxidative stress and metabolic alterations in gastric precancerous lesions

Adriana BOTEZATU, Olga TAGADIUC, Călin DELEANU, Alina NICOLESCU, Victoria ȚURCAN, Nicolae BODRUG, *Chisinau*

EP5. Anxiety and Risk of Eating Disorders Among Medical Students: Findings from a Cross-Sectional Survey

Maria-Irina BRUMBOIU, Mihaela-Maria TAMȘA, Raluca-Maria VIȘOVAN, Anamaria BOTAR, Bogdan PATRAULEA, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP6. Colonic Foreign Body Perforation Mimicking Peritoneal Carcinomatosis and Liver Metastases

Andreea BUICAN, Cristina SABO, Dumitrascu DAN, *Cluj-Napoca*

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EP7. Psychiatric and psychological manifestations in esophageal diseases: a case report and systematic literature review

Vera CIORNOLUTCHII, Abdulrahman ISMAIEL, Teodora SURDEA-BLAGA, Mihaela FADGYAS STANCULETE, Dan L. DUMITRASCU, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP8. Dyssynergic defecation concealed by a long-standing diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome: a case report

Eugen TCACIUC, Cătălina OLARU-STĂVILĂ, Cătălina CORPACI, Denis ARDELEANU, Angela TCACIUC, Elina BERLIBA, Liudmila TOFAN-SCUTARU, *Chisinau*

EP9. Upper-abdominal symptoms with a normal colon: what do endoscopy and gastric biopsy reveal? A bidirectional endoscopy cohort

Ana-Maria FILIP, Sabrina-Nicoleta MUNTEANU, Anca Elena NEGOVAN, *Targu Mures*

EP10. Endometriosis Or Disorder Of Gut-Brain Interaction? Diagnostic Implications In The Rome V And ACOG Guideline No.11 Era

Adelina Nicoleta GALICA, Reitano GALICA, Eda STASA, *Korce*

EP11. A four-week exclusive elemental diet reduces symptom burden in diarrhea-predominant irritable bowel syndrome: a prospective study

Elena GOLOGAN, Celina STAFIE, Oana TIMOFTE, Georgiana Emmanuela GÎLCĂ BLANARIU, Andrei Nicolae GOLOGAN, Dimitrie Ștefan GOLOGAN, Bianca Beatrice CĂRĂUȘU, Vasile DRUG, *Iasi*

EP12. Perceived cognitive function in active Crohn's disease: a gut-brain axis perspective from two cases

Amalia-Mihaela IGNAT, Ofelia MOȘTEANU, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP13. Standardized dynamic maneuvers — deep inspiration, gastric insufflation and the hiatal provocation test — increase endoscopic detection of hiatal hernia 6.5-fold in refractory gastroesophageal reflux disease: a cohort study of 82 patients

Viorel ISTRATE, Cristina TICOT, Cătălina OLARU, Viorel ISTRATE, Oxana SÎRBU, Nicolae BODRUG, Sergiu UNGUREANU, *Chisinau*

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EP14. Curcumin as a modulator of the microbiota-gut-brain axis in irritable bowel syndrome

Cristina Maria MACREA, Alexandra COSTEA, Ovidiu C. FRATILA, *Oradea*

EP15. Beyond digestive symptoms: the role of psychological and behavioral factors

Andreea NĂSIESCU, Liliana-Elisabeta DAVID, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP16. IBS-like symptoms in patients with inflammatory bowel disease in remission: impact of rifaximin on symptoms and quality of life

Otilia NEDELCIUC, Mihaela DRANGA, Carmen ATODIRESEI, Alina Ecaterina JUCAN, Georgiana Elena SARBU, Iolanda Valentina POPA, Catalina MIHAI, Cristina CIJEVSCHI PRELIPCEAN, Vasile Liviu DRUG, *Iasi*

EP17. Small intestinal bacterial overgrowth in MRI-diagnosed endometriosis: a clinical overlap — a two-case series

Iuliana NENU, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP18. Globus sensation as a presentation of cervical inlet patch: endoscopic and histological findings

Luminita OLEINIC, Mihaela STOICA, Viorel ISTRATE, Oxana SÂRBU, *Chisinau*

EP19. Pseudoachalasia as the initial manifestation of gastric linitis plastica: when a motility disorder conceals malignancy

Monica PANTEA, Anca NEGOVAN, Naomi CIUREA, Simona BATAGA, *Targu Mures*

EP20. Low FODMAP dietetic management in an older woman with long-standing irritable bowel syndrome: a case report

Evelin PAPP, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP21. Massive upper GI bleeding in long-lasting achalasia complicated by stasis ulcer

Claudia PUSCASU, Ionut MELESTEU, Anca SUGEAC, Bogdan MATEESCU, *Bucharest*

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EP22. Intestinal microbiota and behavior in the enteric nervous system: pathogenic correlations between dysbiosis and symptom severity across IBS subtypes

Viorel RUSU, Dan Lucian DUMITRASCU, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP23. Nine years of normal investigations: chronic abdominal pain with alternating bowel habits and dyssynergic defecation in a young man — a case report

Ioana RUSU, Dan Lucian DUMITRASCU, *Cluj-Napoca*

EP24. Mimicking pancreatitis: coincidental dyspepsia and the over-investigation trap in Gullo's syndrome

Alexandra Elena SCÎNTEI, Ioana-Alexandra URSANU-BADULESCU, Corina Paraschiva CIOBANU, *Iasi*

EP25. Post-reflux swallow-induced peristaltic wave index in pediatric gastroesophageal reflux disease: beyond conventional MII-pH parameters

Bianca SECARĂ, Luca MIREA, Alexandra ILIE, Alexandra LOZBĂ, Oana MARCU, Iuliana GRIGORE, Ioana-Daniela DUMITRU, Raluca RĂDULESCU, Mara IONESCU, Felicia GALOȘ, *Bucharest*

EP26. GERD-like symptoms as a presentation of achalasia: endoscopic and manometric findings

Mihaela STOICA, Ecaterina MUNTEANU, Luminița OLEINIC, Oxana SÂRBU, Viorel ISTRATE, *Chisinau*

EP27. A constipating mystery: adult Hirschsprung disease revealed in the emergency department

Elena Flori TAPU MOCANU, Oana MURU, Lucian SCARLET, Nicoleta TIUCĂ, Sorina Laura DIACONU, Corina Silvia POP, *Bucharest*

EP28. Gut–liver–brain interactions after liver transplantation: a clinical case

Natalia TARAN, Iulianna LUPAȘCO, Eugen TCACIUC, Angela PELTEC, Calina BUGOR, Veronica CALANCEA, *Chisinau*