

Dear Colleagues,

Please find enclosed the preliminary program for Canadian Digestive Diseases Week™ (CDDW™) 2017, a joint meeting of the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG) and the Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver (CASL). CDDW™ takes place Friday March 3 until Monday March 6 in Banff. All of the following program components will be held at the Fairmont Banff Springs:

- **Gastroenterology Residents-in-Training (GRIT) Course (open to invited residents only):** Tuesday February 28 to Thursday March 2
- **Scholars' Program (open to invited students only):** Wednesday March 1 and Thursday March 2
- **Research Topics in Gastrointestinal (GI) Disease (open to invited students only):** Wednesday March 1 and Thursday March 2
- **Practitioners and Scientific Programs:** Friday March 3 through Monday March 6

The program is based on results of the 2016 members' needs assessment. Sessions will be accredited (Section 1) by the CAG as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. AMA and EU credits will apply.

BREAKFASTS AND SMALL GROUPS

Given the demand for small, interactive learning opportunities, Breakfast with the Experts and Small Group Sessions are an integral part of the program.

TRAINEE MIXER

We are pleased to again offer a Trainee Mixer reception on Friday night to provide a forum for trainees from different parts of the country to mix, mingle and learn what other trainees are doing.



Nicola Jones



Marc Bilodeau

**** EARLY REGISTRATION RATE ****

Registration opens September 1st. We urge members to visit the website (<http://www.cag-acg.org>) and register by December 31 to receive the early registration rate of \$75 (after Dec. 31=\$150). Registration is \$375 for Affiliate/International Members (\$450 after Dec. 31), \$50 for Trainee Members (\$75 after Dec. 31) and is free to Retired Members. Non-member registration is \$600 (early) and \$800 (after Dec. 31). Please note that GST applies to all registrations.

Don't forget to reserve your seat at Breakfast with the Experts and Small Group Sessions where attendance is limited and pre-registration is required. Finally, we invite you to join us at the Gala for an evening of fun.

ACCOMMODATION BOOKING

Delegates will arrange their accommodation directly with the Fairmont Banff Springs, which will provide confirmation to the individual. Room reservations are your responsibility; CAG and CASL will not be involved in this process. Reservations can be made in one of two ways:

- Phone: 1 (866) 540-4483. Please quote the group name CDDW2017 when making your reservation by phone.
- On-line: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/cddw2017>

Please book your room early and before December 31, 2016; after this time the hotel will not be holding rooms for delegates and your request may or may not be granted based on availability.

See you in Banff!

Nicola Jones
President-Elect, CAG

Marc Bilodeau
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Start	FRIDAY March 3			SATURDAY March 4				SUNDAY March 5				MONDAY March 6		Start	
08h00▲	GI Pharmacology and Drug Development	Hands-on Skills and Techniques	Postgraduate Course: The Decompensated Patient	Mechanisms Responsible for Post-infectious Gut Inflammatory Disorders	Challenging Autoimmune Hepatitis Cases		Electrosurgery and You	Perianal and Fistulizing IBD		Home Nutrition Guide for Cirrhosis Patients	IBD in Pregnancy	Non-ulcerative Dyspepsia		IBD - Managing Biologics	08h00▲
08h30▲						CASL Paper Session 1									08h30▲
09h00▲							Gastroenterology 2021: An eye to the future		Gut Barrier Defenses				Primary Biliary Cholangitis/ Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis		09h00▲
09h30▲	Exhibits & Coffee Break			CASL-CLF Gold Medal Lecture						CASL Paper Session 2	Diet, Obesity and the Microbiome		Small Groups from Managing Biologics (09h30-10h15)		09h30▲
10h00▲	CAG/CCC Student Prize Paper Presentations	CAG Selected Clinical Presentations	Postgraduate Course: Updates on Common Liver Diseases	Exhibits & Coffee Break				Exhibits & Coffee Break				Coffee Break (10h15-10h45)		10h00▲	
10h30▲				Small Group Sessions				Small Group Sessions				Rapid Fire Journal Review (10h45-12h15)		10h30▲	
11h00▲				Small Group Sessions				Small Group Sessions						11h00▲	
11h30▲	Exhibits & Lunch (11h30-12h30)			Small Group Sessions				Small Group Sessions						11h30▲	
12h00▲				Exhibits & Lunch (12h30-13h30)				Exhibits & Lunch (12h30-13h30)					12h00▲		
12h30▲	Roles of Nutrition and Microbiota on GI Diseases	Postgraduate Course: Case-based Problems													12h30▲
13h00▲									Research Award Lectures	CLF-CASL Sass-Kortsak Lecture CASL Pediatric Symposium	Colon Cancer Screening				13h00▲
13h30▲				Career Development	Hepatitis B Virus		Portal Hypertension, Polypectomy and Prevention								13h30▲
14h00▲															14h00▲
14h30▲	Exhibits & Coffee Break			Exhibits & Coffee Break				Exhibits & Coffee Break					14h30▲		
15h00▲		Postgraduate Course: Managing Refractory Abdominal Symptoms in IBD													15h00▲
15h30▲				Stroma/Epithelial Stem Cell Interaction in GI Diseases	Hepatitis C Virus		Clinical Practice Guideline Highlights		From Basic Research to Clinical Trials	Policy 101 for the Gastroenterologist /Hepatologist	2016 Papers That Influenced Your Practice				15h30▲
16h00▲															16h00▲
16h30▲	CASL AGM	CAG AGM		McKenna Reception				Awards Ceremony					16h30▲		
17h00▲				R. D. McKenna Memorial Lecture				Poster Session 2					17h00▲		
17h30▲	Exhibitor Reception												17h30▲		
18h00▲				Poster Session 1									18h00▲		
18h30▲	CASL-CAHN Mixer	Trainee Mixer											18h30▲		
19h00▲													19h00▲		
19h30▲													19h30▲		
20h00▲								Gala Evening (20h00-23h30)					20h00▲		

AGM annual general meeting; CAHN Canadian Association of Hepatology Nurses; CCC Crohn's and Colitis Canada; CLF Canadian Liver Foundation; GI gastrointestinal; IBD inflammatory bowel disease

Practitioners and Scientific Programs

COMBINED PROGRAM-AT-A-GLANCE

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

08h00–09h30 CAG/CASL POSTGRADUATE COURSE:
The Decompensated Patient

08h00–09h30 **Hands-on Skills and Techniques**
Choose two stations from six available:
Banding, Clipping, Hemostasis (upper GI),
Stent Insertion, Capsule Reading, Skills
Enhancement for Endoscopy
Pre-registration required

08h00–09h30 †**GI Pharmacology and Drug
Development: From hurdles to
development and reality**

09h30–15h00 ASGE VIDEO CENTRE and ePORTAL
CENTRE

09h30–10h00 Exhibits and Coffee Break

10h00–11h30 CAG/CASL POSTGRADUATE COURSE:
Updates on Common Liver Diseases

10h00–11h30 †CAG/CCC STUDENT PRIZE PAPER
PRESENTATIONS

10h00–11h30 †CAG CLINICAL PAPER SESSION

11h30–12h30 Exhibits and Lunch

12h30–14h30 CAG/CASL POSTGRADUATE COURSE:
Case-based Problems (Barrett's,
metaplasia/early gastric cancer, celiac
disease, eosinophilic esophagitis)

12h30–14h30 †**Roles of Nutrition and Microbiota
on GI Diseases**

14h30–15h00 Exhibits and Coffee Break

15h00–16h30 CAG/CASL POSTGRADUATE COURSE:
**Managing Refractory Abdominal
Symptoms in IBD**

16h30–17h30 CAG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

16h30–17h30 CASL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

17h30–18h30 Exhibitor Reception

18h30–20h00 Trainee Mixer

18h30–19h30 CASL-CAHN Mixer

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

08h00–09h00 CAG BREAKFAST WITH THE EXPERTS:
Electrosurgery and You
Pre-registration required

08h00–09h00 CAG BREAKFAST WITH THE EXPERTS:
Perianal and Fistulizing IBD
Pre-registration required

08h00–09h00 CASL BREAKFAST WITH THE EXPERTS:
**Challenging Autoimmune Hepatitis
Cases**
Pre-registration required

08h00–10h00 †**Mechanisms Responsible for Post-
infectious Gut Inflammatory
Disorders**

08h30–10h00 †CASL PAPER SESSION I

09h00–10h00 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **Gastroenterology
2021: An eye to the future**

10h00–10h30 CLF-CASL GOLD MEDAL LECTURE
- Anna Lok, University of Michigan

10h30–15h30 ASGE VIDEO CENTRE and ePORTAL
CENTRE

10h30–11h00 Exhibits and Coffee Break

11h00–11h40 SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (see page 5)

11h50–12h30 SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (see page 5)

12h30–13h30 Exhibits and Lunch

13h30–15h00 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **Portal
Hypertension, Polypectomy and
Prevention**

13h30–15h00 CASL SYMPOSIUM: **Hepatitis B Virus**

13h30–15h00 WORKSHOP: **Career Development**

15h00–15h30 Exhibits and Coffee Break

15h30–17h00 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **Clinical Practice
Guideline Highlights**

15h30–17h00 CASL SYMPOSIUM: **Hepatitis C Virus**

15h30–17h00 †**Stroma/Epithelial Stem Cell
Interaction in GI Diseases**

17h00–17h30 MCKENNA RECEPTION

17h30–18h30 R.D. MCKENNA MEMORIAL LECTURE
- Sheila Crowe, University of California
San Diego

18h30–20h00 POSTER SESSION I

Practitioners and Scientific Programs

COMBINED PROGRAM-AT-A-GLANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

08h00–09h00 CAG BREAKFAST WITH THE EXPERTS:
IBD in Pregnancy
Pre-registration required

08h00–09h00 CAG BREAKFAST WITH THE EXPERTS:
Non-ulcerative Dyspepsia
Pre-registration required.

08h00–09h00 CASL BREAKFAST WITH THE EXPERTS:
Home Nutrition Guide for Cirrhosis Patients
Pre-registration required.

08h30–10h30 †**Gut Barrier Defenses**

09h00–10h30 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **Diet, Obesity and the Microbiome**

09h00–10h30 †CASL PAPER SESSION 2

10h30–15h30 ASGE VIDEO CENTRE and ePORTAL CENTRE

10h30–11h00 Exhibits and Coffee Break

11h00–11h40 SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (see page 5)

11h50–12h30 SMALL GROUP SESSIONS (see page 5)

12h30–13h30 Exhibits and Lunch

13h30–15h00 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **Colon Cancer Screening**

13h30–15h00 CASL PEDIATRIC SYMPOSIUM, including the Sass-Kortsak Award Lecture

13h30–15h00 CAG YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARD LECTURES

15h00–15h30 Exhibits and Coffee Break

15h30–17h00 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **2016 Papers That Influenced Your Practice**

15h30–17h00 CASL SYMPOSIUM: **Policy 101 for the Gastroenterologist/Hepatologist**

15h30–17h00 †**From Basic Research to Clinical Trials: How to conduct a good study**

17h00–18h00 CAG/CASL AWARDS CEREMONY

18h00–19h30 POSTER SESSION 2

20h00–23h30 GALA EVENING

MONDAY, MARCH 6

08h00–09h30 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **IBD - Managing Biologics**

09h30–10h15 SMALL GROUP BREAKOUT from **IBD - Managing Biologics**

09h00–10h30 CASL SYMPOSIUM: **Primary Biliary Cholangitis /Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis**

10h15–10h45 Coffee Break

10h45–12h15 CAG SYMPOSIUM: **Rapid Fire Journal Review**

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†Session includes oral presentations of accepted abstracts

Small Group Sessions

Small group sessions (limit of 35 attendees) are 40-minute interactive, case-based discussions that run from 11h00-11h40 and 11h50-12h30.
Pre-registration required.

Saturday 4th
11h00 11h50

SATURDAY

- SEE (Skills Enhancement for Endoscopy): Practical tips ----- ◆ ----- ◆
- Case-based Anticoagulation ----- ◆
- Endoscopy in the Bariatric Patient ----- ◆
- Quality in the Gastroenterology Unit ----- ◆
- Practical Tips for Finding a Job and Going Into Practice ----- ◆
- H. pylori* Infection in Children: New guidelines----- ◆
- The Fly and Zebrafish as Models to Study GI Tract Disorders----- ◆
- Wilson’s Disease Case-based Learning----- ◆
- Liver Disease and Driving Safety----- ◆
- A Case-based Approach to Advanced Care Planning and Goals of Care Discussions in Cirrhosis----- ◆
- Ultrasound in IBD ----- ◆
- Capsule Endoscopy----- ◆
- Therapeutic Drug Monitoring----- ◆
- IBS and Breath Testing: Pros and cons ----- ◆
- Management of Intestinal Failure: A pediatric perspective ----- ◆
- CDHF Session----- ◆
- NASH – What’s on the Treatment Horizon----- ◆
- Advanced Stage HCC – What to Do----- ◆
- A Case-based Approach to Managing Pain in Cirrhosis----- ◆

Sunday 5th
11h00 11h50

SUNDAY

- SEE (Skills Enhancement for Endoscopy): Practical tips ----- ◆ ----- ◆
- Management of Difficult Constipation----- ◆
- When Do I Need an EUS for Pancreatic Cysts?----- ◆
- Teaching and Evaluating Communication Skills: How to prepare trainees for clinical, academic, and professional careers----- ◆
- Small Bowel Enteroscopy ----- ◆
- Eosinophilic Esophagitis in the Pediatric Patient----- ◆
- CRISPR-Cas9 Technology Applied to GI Models ----- ◆
- How to Write Really Good Guidelines ----- ◆
- Teaching Trainees/Others about Viral Hepatitis ----- ◆
- Non-Invasive Imaging – The Future ----- ◆
- Work-life Balance Issues ----- ◆
- Fecal Transplant----- ◆
- Recurrent Pancreatitis----- ◆
- Managing Patients with Mild-Moderate Ulcerative Colitis----- ◆
- Update in Upper GI Motility ----- ◆
- Nutritional Issues in Pediatric Gastroenterology----- ◆
- HCC Small Lesions – Treat or Transplant? ----- ◆
- Hepatorenal Syndrome – Diagnostic challenges, and then what to do ----- ◆
- Portal Hypertension in Children - Why are they different than adults? ----- ◆