



**Georgia Gastroenterologic and Endoscopic Society
2024 Annual Meeting
September 14-15, 2024
Callaway Gardens, Atlanta**

Saturday, September 14, 2024

8.00 am to 10.45 am HANDS-ON SESSION

Kevin Woods MD, Therapeutic GI Endoscopy & Associates
Chief, Division of Gastroenterology, Endoscopy & Nutrition, City of Hope
Atlanta, Immediate Past President, Georgia Gastroenterologic &
Endoscopic Society
Kenneth Vega MD, Chief, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Medical College of Georgia and Augusta University, Augusta, GA

10.45 am-11.30 am Registration/Exhibits Open

11.30am-1.00pm Session 1: Moderator: Saurabh Chawla MD

11.30 am- 11.35 am: Welcome & Opening Remarks
Saurabh Chawla MD, FACG, FASGE, AGAF
President, Georgia Gastroenterologic and Endoscopic Society
Professor of Medicine
Program Director, Gastroenterology Fellowship Program
Emory University School of Medicine

11.35 am-12.00 pm Health maintenance in IBD
Heba N Iskandar MD, MSc
Director, Emory IBD Program
Associate Professor
Emory University School of Medicine

12.00-12.50 pm Lunch (sponsored by Sanofi)

12.50-1.00 pm Break/Exhibits/Posters

1.00-3.00 pm Session 2: Moderator: Field Willingham MD

1.00-1.25 pm Management of endoscopic complications
Mohammad Bilal MD
Associate Professor of Medicine
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis VA Medical Center

1.30-2.30 pm **Symposium on Colon Cancer Screening in Georgia**
Moderator: Dr Jim Hotz

1.35-1.55 pm Epidemiological overview of CRC Screening in Georgia
Liora Sahar, PhD
Director of Evaluation Informatics, American Cancer Society
Atlanta, GA



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- 1.55-2.15 pm** **CRC screening initiatives in Georgia**
Robert Smith PhD
Co-chair of the ACS National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable
Senior Vice President, Early Cancer Detection Science, American Cancer Society
- 2.15-2.40 pm** **Panel Discussion re CRC screening in Georgia with regional healthcare leaders**
- 2.40-3.00 pm** **Break/Exhibits/Posters**
- 3-4 pm** **Moderator: Dr Heba Iskander**
Interdisciplinary Approaches to Management of Immune Mediated Inflammatory Diseases: Addressing Shared Pathophysiology with JAK inhibitors (MOC)
Jennifer Seminerio-Diehl, MD, Director, Inflammatory Bowel Disease Center & Associate Program Director, Gastroenterology, Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
- 4-6 pm** **Free time**
- 6-7 pm** **President's reception (families invited, must rsvp)**
- 7-9 pm** **Dinner (sponsored by Castle Biosciences – separate registration required)**

Sunday, September 15, 2024

- 7.00 am-8.00 am** **Breakfast/Registration/Exhibits Open**
- 8.00 am- 10.00 am** **Session 3; Moderator: Francis Edward Levert II MD**
- 8.00 am-8.25 am** **Pelvic floor dysfunction- diagnosis and management**
Dariush Shahsavari MD
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Emory University School of Medicine
- 8.30 am-8.55 am** **"Fecal Microbiota Transplant: An Ancient Solution to Modern Problems"**
Jasna Beard MD
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Emory University School of Medicine
- 9.00 am- 9.25 am** **It's 2024- Is H Pylori still relevant and prevalent**
Sri Patnana, MD
Assistant Professor of Medicine
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- 9.30- 10.00 am Mast Cells and Why They Matter: Diagnosis and Treatment of Mast Cell Activation Syndrome
Alexis C Cutchins MD
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Emory University School of Medicine**
- 10.00-10.30 am Break/Exhibits/Posters**
- 10.30-11.40 am Session 4; Moderator: Lance Stein MD**
- 10.30-10.55 am Updates in the management of Portal Hypertension and its complications
Dr Nader Dbouk
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Division of Digestive Diseases and Emory Transplant Center
Emory University, Atlanta GA**
- 11.00-11.25 am Virtually Better: VR as a New Clinical Tool in Gastroenterology
Brennan Spiegel MD, MSHS
Professor of Medicine and Public Health
George and Dorothy Gourrich Chair in Digital Health Ethics
Editor in Chief, Journal of Medical Extended Reality
Cedars Sinai, LA, California**
- 11.30-11.40 am Winning Abstract Presentation**
- 11.40-11.50 am Presentation of Poster Awards
Saurabh Chawla MD, President GGES**
- 11.50-12.00 pm Closing Remarks**