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SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

Genetics and Molecular Biology of Gastroenterology
Gastrointestinal Immunology
Pediatric / Neonatal Gastroenterology and Nutrition
Gastrointestinal Pathology
Gastrointestinal Oncology
Gastrointestinal Radiology

Gastroenterology: Clinical and Diagnostics
Gastrointestinal Surgery
Obesity or Bariatric Surgery
Intestinal Rehabilitation
Treatment Advances in Digestive Diseases
Recent Advances in Gastroenterology
Entrepreneurs Investment Meet

Gastrointestinal Disorders
Digestive Disorders
Pancreatic Diseases
Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Types, Causes, and Risk Factors
Colorectal Disease: Treatments & Diagnosis
Liver Diseases & Hepatitis
Amin El-Gohary completed his MBBCh in 1972 and his Diploma in General Surgery in 1975 at Cairo University, Egypt. He became a fellow of The Royal College of Surgeons in UK: Edinburgh in 1979, London in 1980, and Glasgow in 1997. Prof. Dr. Amin worked initially in Egypt, then moved to Kuwait, then to UK, before coming to UAE in 1983. In the same year, he became the Chief and Head of the Department of Pediatric Surgery of a large government hospital. Additionally, he held post as a Medical Director for the same hospital starting 1989.

**SESSION TALKS**

**Title:** Cancer risk of IBD therapy  
**Vito Annese, Valiant Clinic & American Hospital, UAE**

**Title:** The Efficacy of Bile Acids in the treatment of Non-alcoholic Steatohepatitis: A 10-year Systematic Review  
**Higinio T. Mappala, Jose Reyes Mem. Medical Center, Philippines**

**Title:** Laparoscopic Pancreatic Surgery  
**Ritu Khare, Consultant surgeon, Dubai**

**Title:** Gohary’s disease  
**Amin Gohary, Professor, Burjeel hospital, UAE**

**Title:** Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy and GERD  
**Safwan A Taha, Medical Director, UAE**

**Title:** Eosinophilic Esophagitis: Updates in 2018.  
**Seema Khan, Children’s National Medical Centre, USA**

**Title:** Prevention of post-surgical recurrence of Crohn’s disease  
**Vito Annese, Valiant Clinic & American Hospital, UAE**

**Title:** Our method experience and effectiveness using Argon Plasma Coagulator (APC) as a therapy for gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)  
**Julio Murra-Saca, gastroenterologist chief, Hospital Centro de Emergencias San Salvador**

**Title:** Combination therapy of cyclosporine and vedolizumab is effective and safe for severe, steroid resis-  
**tant ulcerative colitis patients: prospective study**  
**Dino Tarabar, Military Medical Academy, Belgrade, Serbia**
Higinio T. Mappala is a Medical Specialist IV at the Jose Reyes Memorial Medical Center, Manila, Philippines, A Board-certified Internist, Gastroenterologist, Endoscopist, Clinical Nutritionist and Clinical Toxicologist; has served as a University Professor and Dean of 2 Medical Schools; a highly-regarded Researcher, with more than 50 scientific papers, and more than 20 publications. A former Board Director of the Philippine Societies of Gastroenterology and Digestive Endoscopy; an online Research rater of McMaster, Canada and Online Dynamed Research peer-reviewer; a Young Investigator’s Awardee at the World Congress and Asia-Pacific Congress of Gastroenterology; has attended the 3-level training courses on Leadership and Management by the World Gastroenterology Organization held in Florida, USA, Dubrovnic, Croatia and Porto, Portugal.

SESSION TALKS

Title: Screening of Celiac Disease in Irritable bowel syndrome by routine endoscopic duodenal biopsy - Review of literature and my opinion
Mohan Khadka, Senior Consultant Gastroenterologist, ADK hospital, Male, Maldives

Title: In Pursuit of complete ERCP - Contrast-Assisted Cannulation Beyond Wire Guided Cannulation - Noriyuki Nishino, Southern Tohoku general hospital, Japan

Title: Hepatocellular Carcinoma: Prognostication beyond size and number
Kaiser Raja, Aster DM Healthcare Group (India, UAE)

Title: Management of extrahepatic biliary duct cancer: About 100 cases
Zatir Soufiane, Algeria

Title: Eosinophilic esophagitis
Mohamad Miqdady, Chief, Ped. GI, Sheikh Khalifa Medical City, UAE

Title: El Salvador Atlas of Gastrointestinal Video Endoscopy online Academic Site as a learning resource
Julio Murra-Saca, gastroenterologist chief, Hospital Centro de Emergencias San Salvador

Title: Comparative Study between Fibroscan and Liver Biopsy Results in Chronic HBV Patients from south India
Sravan Thumati, Kilpauk medical college, India

Title: Response to Proton Pump Inhibitor therapy in a racially diverse cohort of Pediatric Eosinophilic Esophagitis.
Organizing Committee Member
Mohamad Miqdady

Mohamad Miqdady is American Board certified in Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. He is the Division Chief, Ped. GI, Hepatology & Nutrition Division at Sheikh Khalifa Medical City in UAE. Also an Adjunct Staff at Cleveland Clinic, Ohio USA. Member of the FISP Ghan Council (Federation of International Societies of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition) Expert member FISP Ghan Malnutrition/Obesity Expert team. Dr. Miqdady completed his Fellowship in Pediatric Gastroenterology at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston, TX, USA. He held the position of Assistant Professor at Jordan University of Science and Technology in Jordan for six years prior joining SKMC.

SESSION TALKS

Seema Khan, Children’s National Medical Centre, USA
Title: A Study of Clinical and Endoscopic Profile of Acute Corrosive injury of the UGI tract - a single centre study

Ravi Anand, Kilpauk medical college, Chennai, India
Title: Eradication of Viral Hepatitis

K.S.Somasekhar Rao, Save the Liver Foundation, India
Title: Endoscopic management of upper GI bleeding

Mahmoud Hallal, Al Zahraa University Hospital, Lebanon
Title: Acute Appendicitis Pathway: A Systematic Review

Haifaa M Malaekah, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Title: Pathophysiology and management of “Esophageal Varices” in current practice

Balwant Singh Gill, Swami Ji Gastroenterology Center, India
Title: Pre Malignant Conditions of Colonic Carcinoma

Deepak Ghuliani, Professor of Surgery at Maulana Azad Medical College, India
Title: Emerging trends in treatment of chronic sinusitis

Zafir Soufiane, Algeria
Title -Direct Acting Antivirals and Hepatocellular Carcinoma Correlations

Mohammed Ali Ezzelarab, NHTMRI, Egypt
Title: Colon Polypectomy and Endoscopic Mucosal resection (Video Presentation)

Shahram agah, director of endoscopy ward and Colorectal Research Center, rasoule-akram hospital, Iran

Speaker Slots Available
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Radisson Blu Hotel
Abu Dhabi Yas Island
Yas Plaza
Abu Dhabi, UAE

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