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Thursday



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Nutrition Workshop

 08:30-10:00

Moderator

Eman Marwan

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Tutors

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Session

**Autoimmune Liver Diseases:
New Therapies, Difficult Phenotypes, New Dilemmas**

10:00–11:15

Chairpersons

Helmy Abaza

Alexandria University

Naglaa Fathy

Medical Research Institute

Rasha El Samman

Alexandria Fever Hospital

Seham Abdelraheem

Alexandria University

Speakers



15 MIN

PBC Beyond Cholestasis: Redefining Treatment Goals in the Era of New Therapies

Maen Almaatoq

Kuwait

PSC as a Premalignant Liver Disease: Can We Predict and Prevent Cancer?

Ahmed Fouad Soliman

Cairo University



15 MIN



15 MIN

Immune-Mediated Liver Injury in the Era of Cancer Immunotherapy: AIH Mimic or a New Disease Entity?

Mohamed Ahmed Medhat

Assiut University

When Autoimmune Hepatitis Does Not Read the Textbook: The Difficult Phenotypes

Aisha Elsharkawy

Cairo University



15 MIN

Discussion



15 MIN

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Session

The Evolving Landscape of Hepatocellular Carcinoma: From Epidemiology to Precision Management

11:15–12:45

Chairpersons

Ahmed Elgendy
Eman Barakat
Hanan Nouh
Hany Khattab
Hassan Albateaa
Osama Eldaly

Alexandria University
Ain Shams University
Alexandria University
Cairo University
Kafr El-Shaikh University
Damietta Oncology Center

Speakers

15 MIN

Epidemiology of HCC in the MENA region

Faisal Sanai

Saudi Arabia

Risk-stratified screening against the growing burden of liver cancer mortality

Massimo Colombo

Italy

15 MIN

15 MIN

Immunotherapy in HCC: Where Do We Stand in 2026?

Hend Shousha

Cairo University

Treatment Sequencing After Immunotherapy

Mohamed Omar Abdelmalek

Assiut University

15 MIN

15 MIN

Hepatectomy in HCC with Portal Vein Tumor Thrombosis: Is there a Role for Conversion Therapy?

Ahmed Shehta

Mansoura University

Interactive Case Discussion

Tamer Elbaz

Cairo University

15 MIN

Break

12:45–13:30

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Opening Remarks

🕒 13:30-14:00

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Session

(GNC/SLMENA Joint symposium)
MASLD: From Biological Heterogeneity
to Precision Hepatology

14:00–15:15

Chairpersons

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Maysaa Abdallah

Zagazig University

Nermeen Abdeen

Alexandria University

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Türkiye

Speakers

20 MIN

The Global Face of MASLD: Burden, Heterogeneity & Unmet Needs

Zobair Younossi

GNC, USA

The Genetic Architecture of MASLD: From Causal Biology to Therapeutic Discovery

Stefano Romeo

Sweden

15 MIN

15 MIN

The MENA MASLD Phenotype: What Is Different and What Is Universal?

Mohamed El-Kassas

Capital University

NITs Across the MASLD Care Pathway: Screening, Stratification, & Monitoring

Khalid Alswat

Saudi Arabia

15 MIN

Discussion

15 MIN

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(GNC/SLMENA Joint symposium)

Rewriting the Natural History of MASH:
From Metabolic Control to Disease Modification

15:15-16:30

Chairpersons

Abdelfattah Hanno
Eman Abdelsameaa
Gasser El-Azab
Hassan Elgarem

Alexandria University
NLI
NLI
Cairo University

Speakers

15 MIN

Personalizing Risk Stratification in MASLD: Integrating Patient Characteristics
& Current Guidelines

Abdel Aziz Shaheen

University of Calgary, Canada

Can MASH Be Reversed? Fibrosis Regression, Residual Risk &
Long-Term Outcomes

Mohamed Elbadry

Capital University

15 MIN

15 MIN

The Cardio-Renal-Metabolic-Liver Axis: Rethinking MASLD as a Multisystem Disease

Abdel-Nasser Elzouki

Qatar

Approved Therapies for MASH: Who to Treat, With What, & How to Monitor?

Khalid Al-Naamani

Oman

15 MIN

Discussion

15 MIN

Symposium

16:30-16:45



Speaker
Wahid Doss
Cairo University

The Hidden Curse: Obesity and the Rise of MASH

16:45-17:15

Symposium
AstraZeneca

Speaker
Tamer Elbaz
Cairo University

Management of HCC in the Era of Immunotherapy

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Session

Infectious Hepatology: From Viral Hepatitis Elimination to Neglected Liver Infections

17:15–18:15

Chairpersons

Ashraf Abo Ismaeel
Mahmoud Anees
Mina Tharwat
Mohamed-Naguib Wifi
Wahid Doss

Alexandria University
Tanta University
Aswan University
Cairo University
Cairo University

Speakers

15 MIN

Chronic Hepatitis B virus : Treat All or Treat Some
Mohamed Hassany **NHTMRI**

Hepatitis D: From an Orphan Infection to a Therapeutically Actionable Disease

Nabil Debzi **Algeria**

15 MIN

15 MIN

The Last Mile of HCV Elimination: What are we Still Missing?
Gamal Esmat **Cairo University**

Hepatic Fascioliasis: An Overlooked Cause of Focal Liver Disease & Biliary Obstruction

Mohamed Omer **Iraq**

15 MIN

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Research Rising NGM One-to-one Meetings (Hall B)

 16:30–18:30

Instructor

Abdel Aziz Shaheen
University of Calgary, Canada

Co-ordinators

Mohamed Ahmed Medhat
Assiut University

Nesrin Ismail
Alexandria University

Fibroscan Workshop

 18:15–19:00

Moderator

Basma Salem
Alexandria University

Tutor

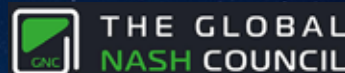
Elaine Moussallem
TMEA Senior clinical and educational specialists, Echosens

Day 2

Friday



Day 2



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Research Workshop

 08:30–10:00

What I Wish I Had Known: Lessons on Research
Careers, Grants, and Publications

Chairpersons

Marwa Khalaf

Assiut Liver Center

Sara Mostafa

Assiut University

Tutor

Abdel Aziz Shaheen

University of Calgary, Canada

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Session

Controversies That Divide Gastroenterologists

🕒 10:00–11:00

Chairpersons

Ahmed Ali Gomaa
Mohamed Adel
Mohamed Elshater
Ossama Bahr
Rabab Rafik
Sherif Attia

Fayom University
Alexandria University
Alexandria University
National liver institute
Alexandria University
KLRC

Speakers

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15 MIN

Reflux Symptoms Beyond Acid: When GERD Is Not GERD

Reem Ezzat

Assiut University

SIBO: Common Disease or Overdiagnosed Syndrome?

Hassan Hamdy

Ain Shams University

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15 MIN🕒
15 MIN

When Calprotectin & the Patient Disagree: Which Should We Trust?

Doaa Elwazzan

Alexandria University

Microbiome Testing in Clinical Practice: Ready for Prime Time or Premature?

Hamdy Sayed

Capital University

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15 MIN

Symposium
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Speaker
Nermin Abdeen
Alexandria University

the future of microbial therapeutics A hype or a hope?

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GI Malignancies: Prevention, Early Detection
and Cancer Interception

11:15 – 12:15

Chairpersons

Alia Samy

Emad Balah

Fathy Elghamry

Abdulrahman Nagib

Mohamed Samy

Waleed Ahmady

Medical Research Institute

Damietta Fever Hospital

Al-Azhar University

Alexandria University

Alexandria University

Zagazig University

Speakers

15 MIN

Barrett's Esophagus & Esophageal Cancer: Can We Identify the Patient
Who Will Progress?

Ebada Saeed

Benha University

Young-Onset Colorectal Cancer: Why Is the Epidemiology Changing?

Ashraf Breedy

Ain Shams University

15 MIN

15 MIN

Precision Prevention of Gastric Cancer: Who Needs Surveillance?

Medhat El-Sahhar

Police Authority Hospital

Hereditary GI Cancers: From Germline Testing to Family Prevention

Mohamed Farouk

New Valley University

15 MIN

Symposium

Abbott

15 MIN

Speaker

Nermin Abdeen
Alexandria University

Functional dyspepsia

Break & Gomaa Prayer

12:30 – 13:45

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IBD From Inflammation Control to Disease Modification

13:45- 14:45

Chairpersons

Ali Elkady

Alexandria University

Ali Mohsen

Alexandria Fever Hospital

Amira Shams El Deen

Alexandria University

Asmaa Nasser

Sohag University

John Emil

Alexandria University

Sherin Abobakr

Ain Shams University

Speakers

15 MIN

Can We Change the Natural History of IBD? From Treat-to-Target to Disease Modification

Usama Ebada

Alexandria University

The First Advanced Therapy Matters: How Should We Position Biologics & Small Molecules?

Ali Farag

Cairo University

15 MIN

15 MIN

Beyond Mucosal Healing: Is Transmural Healing the Next Therapeutic Target?

Khalid Abdel-Atty

Alexandria University

Navigating the Therapeutic Dilemma in Complex IBD

Amr Abdelazeem

Capital University

15 MIN

Symposium



15 MIN

Beyond Standard Endoscopy: Advanced Diagnostics and Therapeutic Frontiers

🕒 15:00 – 16:00

Chairpersons

Arafa Salem

Essam Bedewy

Hamdy Sayed

Hossam Abo Elkheir

Mohamed Khorshid

Damanhour Fever Hospital

Alexandria University

Capital University

Alexandria University

EDGE Foundation

Speakers

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15 MIN

Third-Space Endoscopy: How Far Can We Go?

Ahmed Madkour

Capital University

Endoscopic Resection Without Compromise: Choosing Between EMR, ESD, & Surgery

Hany Abo Taleb

Beni-Suef University

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15 MIN

Persistent Dysphagia: What Next? The Role of Motility Testing

Mohamed Amer

Shebin Teaching Hospital

Therapeutic EUS: When Endoscopy Replaces Radiology & Surgery

Ahmed Galal

EDGE Foundation

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Symposium



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Symposium



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Speaker
Basma Salem
Alexandria University

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Session

Gastroenterology in Special Populations

⌚ 16:30 – 17:30

Chairpersons

Amany Elbanna
Ayman El Shayeb
Basma Salem
Marwa Elemam
Nadia Abdel-Aty
Waleed El-Laqqany

Alexandria University
Alexandria University
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Ain Shams University
Alexandria University

Speakers

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15 MIN

Post-Bariatric Patients With GI Symptoms: When Anatomy Changes the Rules
Ayman Abdel Aziz **TBRI**

Gastrointestinal Diseases in Pregnancy: Managing Two Patients at Once
Khalid Elbassel **National Cancer Institute & GOTH1 - NCI**

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15 MIN

GI Toxicities of Modern Cancer Therapy: From Checkpoint Inhibitors to Targeted Agents
Essam Ali Hassan **Fayoum University**

The Anticoagulated Patient with GI Bleeding: Stop, Reverse or Continue?
Rofida Khalifa **Minia University**

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15 MIN

Lunch



15 MIN

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