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SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
07:30 – 08:10	Registration	
08:10 – 08:15	Welcome Address	
SESSION – 1		CHAIRPERSONS: DR. ANAND VADIVEL DR. AYYAPPAN.G.PILLAI DR. MAKKI FAYYAD DR. ZESHAN RIAZ
08:15 – 08:35	Rome V in Practice – What's New, What's Changed, and What Matters Most	Dr. Arun Korah
08:35 – 08:55	How to Diagnose and Manage Celiac Disease: What's the Latest?	Dr. Ibrahim Alhosani
08:55 – 09:15	Chronic Diarrhea: A Practical and Efficient Diagnostic Strategy	Dr. Mahesh Verma
09:15 – 09:35	Demystifying Abdominal Bloating and Distention	Dr. VeeraRaghavan
SESSION – 2		CHAIRPERSONS: DR. RAMI MOUCARI DR. ATUL CHAWLA DR. NIKHIL GUPTA DR. ABDULLA ALNAKSHABANDI, DR. SREEHARI PILLAI
09:35 – 09:55	Colonoscope Insertion Tips and Tricks	Dr. Hisham Aldhabab
09:55 – 10:15	Polypectomy and EMR: indications and limits	Dr Ahmed Sultan
10:15 – 10:35	Undersaline Endoscopy and Resections	Dr. Ammar Kheir
10:35 – 10:55	Diminutive Colonic Polyps–Biopsy or Snare	Dr. Abdulaziz Al Nuaimi
10:55 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:20	Welcome Ceremony–NMC Management & Invited Dignitaries	
SESSION – 3		CHAIRPERSONS: DR. ABDELHAKIM ELGANYNI DR. NABIL QURAISHI DR. ZAHEER KOUTUBI
11:20 – 11:40	Positioning Advanced Therapies in Management of Ulcerative Colitis	Dr. Rupa Banerjee
11:40 – 12:00	Challenging IBD Cases	Dr. Yogesh Shastri
SESSION – 4		
12:00 – 12:20	Breaking the paradigm in Perianal Fistulizing Crohn's Disease	Dr. Badre Alam
SESSION – 5		CHAIRPERSON: DR. MAJIDAH BUKHARI
12:20 – 12:40	Power of Choice in IBD	Dr. Linette Justo
12:40 – 14:00	Prayers & Lunch Break	

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SESSION – 6 CHAIRPERSONS: DR. ALI CHOUKAIR DR. MOUNIER ALWAW		
14:00 – 14:20	GLP-1s, Dual Agonists, and What's Next: What Every GI Provider Needs to Know	Dr. Shamsheer Kote
14:20 – 14:40	Future Trends in Bariatric Endoscopy	Dr. Rakesh K
SESSION – 7 CHAIRPERSONS: DR. GAURAV MUKTESH DR. EMAD FAYYAD DR. JAMIL MAHMOUD EL CHAYEB DR. MOHAMMED ALDASHAN DR. THOMAS CHERUKARA		
14:40 – 15:00	Role of Functional luminal imaging in GI Motility disorders	Dr. Eyad Alakrad
15:00 – 15:20	E-POEM – Tips and Tricks for Success	Dr. Pankaj Desai
15:20 – 15:40	G-POEM, will it work or fail: How to select your patients?	Dr. Ahmed Mudkoor
15:40 – 16:00	Sub-epithelial lesions: When to consider third space endoscopy?	Dr. Noor Mohammed
16:00 – 16:20	Preventing and Managing Adverse Events during third space endoscopy	Dr. Mohan Ramchandani
16:20 – 16:30	Coffee Break & Networking	
SESSION – 8 CHAIRPERSONS: DR. MEREZBAN KATRAK DR. RANJIT RAO DR. ABID ZARGAR DR. SATHISH MOGAN DR. AMER AL KHATIB		
16:30 – 16:50	Endoscopic Approaches to Non-Variceal Upper GI Bleeding	Dr. Mazen Taha
16:50 – 17:10	A Practical Approach to Acute Pancreatitis	Dr. Khaled Bamakhrama
17:10 – 17:30	Pancreatic Cystic Lesions – which one should be further investigated	Dr. Jenan Ghaith
17:30 – 17:50	EUS-Guided Anastomoses	Dr. Abed Al Lehibi
17:50 – 18:10	Surgical Management of Pancreatic Cystic Lesions	Dr. Vikas Gupta
18:10 – 18:15	Day 1 – Closing Remarks	

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SESSION – 9	CHAIRPERSONS: DR. XAVIER ARTURO GARCIA AGUILERA DR. SALEM AWADH DR SHARIFA KHARRAM, DR. FATIMA AL SHAMSI	
08:20 – 08:40	Emerging Therapies for Cholestatic Liver Diseases	Dr. Nisha Kapoor
08:40 – 09:00	Should I Order a Liver Biopsy? Challenges for the Gastroenterologist	Dr. SS Mazroui
09:00 – 09:20	Decompensated Cirrhosis and Portal Hypertension in 2026: Changing Paradigms, Recent Advances & Emerging Concepts	Dr. Shiva Kumar
09:20 – 09:40	Endoscopic Management of Ectopic and Gastric Varices	Dr. Rajesh Puri
09:40 – 09:45	Coffee Break	
SESSION – 10	CHAIRPERSONS: DR. SAMER AL AWADHI DR. ABDULA AL HASANI DR. MOHAMMED BANAMA DR. SAEED SALEM SHAIKH, DR. ASHIK SAINU	
09:45 – 10:05	Magnet Assisted Anastomoses in Gastroenterology	Dr. Sanjay Rajput
10:05 – 10:25	Endoscopic Management of Leaks and Fistula	Dr. Amol Bapaye
10:25 – 10:50	Image Enhanced Endoscopy for Upper GI Tract	Dr. Noriyo Uedo
10:50 – 11:20	The Wisdom of Restraint in Therapeutic Endoscopy – “Can we do it?” versus “Should we do it?”	Dr. Nageshwar Reddy
SESSION – 11		
11:20 – 12:10	Clinical Cases–Panel Discussion	
SESSION – 12	CHAIRPERSON: DR. ABDULAZIZ AL NUAIMI	
12:10 – 12:30	New Era in Comprehensive Disease Management of IBD	Dr. Ahmed Khalifa Almradi

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SESSION – 13 CHAIRPERSON: DR. YASSER EL GAZZAR		
12:30 – 12:50	Shaping the IBD journey with Ustekinumab: The evolving role of Biosimilars	Dr. Filippos Georgopoulos
SESSION – 14 CHAIRPERSONS PART 1: DR. SUVADIP CHATTERJEE DR. SANDEEP NAIR DR. MUKUNDA MADHAVAN DR. MATTHEW VADUKOOT CHAIRPERSONS PART 2: DR. ABHILASH HARIDAS DR KULDEEP SINGH DR. NITIN JOSHI DR. MRIDUL DAS		
12:50 – 14:10	Live Endoscopic Transmission	Live Transmission of Endoscopy cases from Asian Institute of Gastroenterology, Hyderabad, India under the leadership of Dr. Nageshwar Reddy
14:10 – 15:10	Lunch Break	
SESSION – 15 CHAIRPERSONS: DR. AZZAM KAYYASEH DR. WAGDHY MIKHAIL DR. MOHAMMED SHAREEF THOLOOR		
15:10 – 15:30	AI Beyond Polyp Detection	Dr. Mohammed Thoufeeq
15:30 – 15:50	How Digital and AI Tools Can make you more efficient in Your GI Practice	Dr. Nigel Beejay
15:50 – 16:10	The Patient with Obscure Bleeding – What to Do?	Dr. Rajneesh Rajan
16:10 – 16:30	Closing Remarks	



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