



## WGO Program E-Newsletter

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### ■ **WDHD Reports**

WGO kicked off its annual health campaign with World Digestive Health Day on May 29, 2007. This year's focus is viral hepatitis as a total of 400 million people are chronically infected with hepatitis B, and about half that number is chronically infected with hepatitis C. Together, these diseases are responsible for the majority of hepatocellular carcinoma cases, the third leading cause of cancer death worldwide.



Member societies from all over the world hosted public education events in honour of World Digestive Health Day. Visit the WGO website to download a free copy of the WDHD Newsletter.

» [Download a free copy of the WDHD Newsletter here](#)

WDHD 2008: Nutrition- Tell WGO about nutrition in your country and how it contributes to gastroenterological health. Email us here:

» [info@worldgastroenterology.org](mailto:info@worldgastroenterology.org)

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### ■ **TTT 2008**

WGO is pleased to announce that the application process for Train the Trainers 2008 workshops is now open. Three workshops will take place:

**6-11 April**

Opatija, Croatia

**September**

USA (dates and location to be

determined)

**7-12 December**

Goa/New Delhi, India

WGO can not accept direct applications, as candidates must be officially nominated by their national society, which must be a member of WGO. Please contact your national society for further information.

Application Deadlines:

**TTT Croatia:**

1 October 2008



**TTT USA:**

1 December 2008

**TTT India:**

1 December 2008

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## ■ **WGO's 50th Anniversary**

2008 marks the 50 year anniversary of the WGO. First formed in Brussels in 1935 and later officially constituted in 1958 in Washington DC, it is one of the world's oldest and largest medical societies. WGO will commemorate this special event with a variety of scientific and social activities throughout the year.

### **February:**

First African-Middle East Conference on

Digestive Oncology in collaboration with the

International Digestive Cancer Alliance (division

of WGO), EAGE-IWGCO and the WGO Rabat

Training Center

### **April:**

Special 50th Anniversary Edition of WGN

### **October:**

WGO Symposium- Philadelphia, ACG Annual

Scientific Meeting

### **November:**

WGO Scientific Lectures and Plenary Sessions-Pan-American Congress of

Gastroenterology, Chile

Watch this space for details – more events to be confirmed:

» [www.worldgastroenterology.org](http://www.worldgastroenterology.org)

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## ■ **Coming Soon-New CRC Guideline**

In August 2007, WGO's new Colorectal Cancer Screening and Surveillance will be released. Developed by an international team of experts and directed by Dr. Sidney Winawer, this new guideline is essential reading for the global gastroenterology community. The guideline offers a new cascade feature which ranks diagnostic or therapeutic techniques for the same disease or diagnosis.

To view or download the guideline free of charge, please visit the WGO website in early August:

» [www.worldgastroenterology.org](http://www.worldgastroenterology.org)

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