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WGO Program E-Newsletter

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WGO is pleased to present this special GASTRO 2009 issue of our regular e-newsletter. GASTRO 2009 promises to be a highlight of 2009 for GI professionals around the world as it offers the perfect balance of basic science and clinical practice, and covers all GI disciplines- gastroenterology, endoscopy, digestive oncology, nutrition, digestive surgery, and hepatology. Presented in the unique capital city of London, register for GASTRO 2009 today.

» [Register for GASTRO 2009 here](#)

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■ A Record Number of Abstracts Received



The Program Committee of GASTRO 2009 is delighted to announce that a record number of **4,070 abstracts, clinical cases and videos** have been received for London. This represents an increase of 30% over UEGW Vienna in 2008.

Thank you to all the submitters!

■ Working Party Update: 19 Recommendations for Screening Tests

GASTRO 2009 is pleased to present the landmark findings of Professor Graeme Young's Working Party: Guidelines for evaluation of new screening tests for colorectal and gastric cancers.



To be presented on Wednesday November 25, 2009, from 8:30-10:30, these guidelines will set the standard for the evaluation of new screening tests around the world in a practical, feasible and step by step process. The guidelines consist of 19 distinct and globally applicable recommendations which will help medical professionals understand what is required to make sense of the plethora of colorectal and gastric cancer screening tests currently available. It will assist local and national funding bodies in the choices of test for and development of mass screening programs. These are the first guidelines of their kind and thus represent an important advancement in gastroenterology.

» [Register now to attend this session on the core programme](#)

Future highlights of the Working Parties' achievements will be presented in the upcoming WGO E-Newsletters.

■ Free Registration for GASTRO 2009 Public Health Day:



Chronic Gut conditions: Patient Experience and Medical Response.

GASTRO 2009 Public Affairs Committee in association with The National Association for Colitis and Crohn's Disease (NACC), Coeliac UK and The Gut Trust, is organising a public awareness event on Sunday November 22, 2009. Chaired by medical broadcaster and journalist, Dr. Mark Porter, world renowned

experts and patients will discuss the following topics:

- Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) and Coeliac Disease
- the latest medical opinion and research
- primary care diagnosis and management
- living with and taking control of chronic gut conditions

Details:

Sunday November 22, 2009

London's ExCel Centre

14:00-17:20 pm

Registration starts at 13:30 pm and is free of charge.

» [See Program here](#)

We invite you to share this information with your patients.

■ Endoscopy Highlights:

1. Live Endoscopy Demonstrations Available at GASTRO 2009

At GASTRO 2009 (November 21-25), on [Monday](#), [Tuesday](#) and [Wednesday](#), live endoscopy demonstrations will be broadcast from international centres in Hyderabad, London and Rome. These three centers are listed as official OMED Centers of Excellence and will ensure a profoundly global context to this educational event in digestive endoscopy.



» [Monday, November 23](#)

» [Tuesday, November 24](#)

» [Wednesday, November 25](#)

2. ESGE/OMED Learning Area Offers Hands-on Training



The European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ESGE) and the World Organisation of Digestive Endoscopy (OMED) are joining forces to organize the ESGE/OMED Learning Area. This area will serve endoscopic educational purposes and aims at increasing the awareness of diagnostic and therapeutic techniques and offering delegates the possibility of practicing their skills. The ESGE/OMED Learning Area is open to all GASTRO 2009 delegates and hosts several events. For some events registration is required and some are open to all attendees of GASTRO 2009.



» [The Programme will be available shortly on the GASTRO 2009 website](#)

■ **WDHD 2010: Scientific Sessions at GASTRO 2009**

1. Global Education for Gastroenterologists

Monday November 23

15:45 - 17:15

Professor Eamonn Quigley chairs this session which examines the goals and outcomes of the World Gastroenterology Organisation's Train the Trainers programs and thirteen global Training Centers.

» [See program here](#)



2. Changing the Course of IBD: Is it Applicable to All?

Monday November 23

15:45 - 17:15

Together with an international panel of speakers Professor Michael Fried co-hosts this session which promises to be a lively discussion about the global applicability of IBD treatment.

» [See program here](#)

WDHD 2009: WGO is proud to present a symposium at GASTRO 2009 that will focus on the work of the WGO IBS Task Force.

Details:

Industry Symposium Title: New Horizons in Irritable Bowel Syndrome: developments in pathogenesis and a report from the WGO IBS Task Force

Chair: Dr. Eamonn Quigley

Speakers: Dr Francisco Guarner (Barcelona)

Dr Giovanni Barbara (Bologna)

Dr Eamonn Quigley

Date: Sunday November 22

Time: 18:00 – 19:30

The work of the WGO Task Force has been made possible by an unrestricted educational grant by Procter & Gamble.



WGO kindly invites all 107 member societies to please make a note in your calendar:

The next General Assembly will be held at GASTRO 2009, on Tuesday, November 24 at the Excel Conference Centre. Registration: 14:00 – 14:30.

Invitations to follow.

■ **GASTRO 2009 Information Available in Portuguese**

GASTRO 2009: Serão apresentados em Londres os últimos resultados das investigações em gastroenterologia e hepatología Colaboração mundial sobre gastroenterologia e hepatología em Londres de 21 à 25 de novembro de 2009.

Pela primeira vez na história da gastroenterologia, a United European Gastroenterology Federation (UEGF) e a Organização Mundial de Gastroenterologia (OMGE), junto com a Organização Mundial de Endoscopia Digestiva (OMED) e a Sociedade Britânica de Gastroenterologia (BSG), realizarão um dos maiores Congressos nesta área da medicina: GASTRO 2009 UEGW/WCOG, Londres.

» **[Mais informação em português](#)**

This e-news promotes the activities of the WGO.

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