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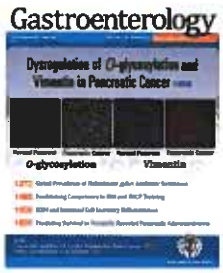

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Clinical—Liver

1451 Effects of Allocating Livers for Transplantation Based on Model for End-Stage Liver Disease-Sodium Scores on Patient Outcomes

S. Nagai, L. C. Chau, R. E. Schilke, M. Safwan, M. Rizzari, K. Collins, A. Yoshida, M. S. Abouljoud, and D. Moonka

The MELD-Na score-based liver allocation successfully improved waitlist outcomes. Given the discrepancy in transplant survival benefit, the current allocation rules may require revisiting; "Share 21" instead of "Share 15".

1463 GS-0976 Reduces Hepatic Steatosis and Fibrosis Markers in Patients With Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease

R. Loomba, Z. Kayali, M. Noureddin, P. Ruane, E. J. Lawitz, M. Bennett, L. Wang, E. Harting, J. M. Tarrant, B. J. McColgan, C. Chung, A. S. Ray, G. M. Subramanian, R. P. Myers, M. S. Middleton, M. Lai, M. Charlton, and S. A. Harrison

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Patients with NAFLD treated with an inhibitor of acetyl-CoA carboxylase for 12 weeks had a meaningful decrease in liver fat that was accompanied by decreased markers of liver injury.

Clinical—Pancreas

1474 Increased Levels of Branched-Chain Amino Acid Associated With Increased Risk of Pancreatic Cancer in a Prospective Case-Control Study of a Large Cohort

R. Katagiri, A. Goto, T. Nakagawa, S. Nishiumi, T. Kobayashi, A. Hidaka, S. Budhathoki, T. Yamaji, N. Sawada, T. Shimazu, M. Inoue, M. Iwasaki, M. Yoshida, and S. Tsugane

In a large prospective study, increased plasma levels of branched-chain amino acids (BCAA) were associated with an increased risk of pancreatic cancer, particularly when the increase was observed 10 years or more prior to diagnosis.

Clinical—Biliary

1483 Competence in Endoscopic Ultrasound and Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography, From Training Through Independent Practice

S. Wani, R. N. Keswani, S. Han, E. M. Aagaard, M. Hall, V. Simon, W. M. Abidi, S. Banerjee, T. H. Baron, M. Bartel, E. Bowman, B. C. Brauer, J. M. Buscaglia, L. Carlin, A. Chak, H. Chatrath, A. Choudhary, B. Confer, G. A. Coté, K. K. Das, C. J. DiMaio, A. M. Dries, S. A. Edmundowicz, A. H. El Chafic, I. El Hajj, S. Ellert, J. Ferreira, A. Gamboa, I. S. Gan, L. M. Gangarosa, B. Gannavarapu, S. R. Gordon, N. M. Guda, H. T. Hammad, C. Harris, S. Jalaj, P. S. Jowell, S. Kenshil, J. Klapman, M. L. Kochman, S. Komanduri, G. Lang, L. S. Lee, D. E. Loren, F. J. Lukens, D. Mullady, V. R. Muthusamy, A. S. Nett, M. S. Olyaee, K. Pakseresht, P. Perera, P. Pfau, C. Piraka, J. M. Poneros, A. Rastogi, A. Razzak, B. Riff, S. Saligram, J. M. Scheiman, I. Schuster, R. J. Shah, R. Sharma, J. P. Spaete, A. Singh, M. Sohail, J. Sreenarasimhaiah, T. Stevens, J. H. Tabibian, D. Tzimas, D. S. Uppal, S. Urayama, D. Vitterbo, A. Y. Wang, W. Wassef, P. Yachimski, S. Zepeda-Gomez, T. Zuchelli, and D. Early

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Most advanced endoscopy trainees participating in a competency-based training program achieve competence in EUS and ERCP and meet quality indicator thresholds for these procedures at the end of their 1st year of independent practice.

Basic and Translational—Alimentary Tract

1495 Inhibiting Growth of *Clostridioides difficile* by Restoring Valerate, Produced by the Intestinal Microbiota

J. A. K. McDonald, B. H. Mullish, A. Pechlivanis, Z. Liu, J. Brignardello, D. Kao, E. Holmes, J. V. Li, T. B. Clarke, M. R. Thursz, and J. R. Marchesi

The short chain fatty acid valerate is depleted from the gut following antibiotic treatment and restored with FMT. Valerate significantly decreased *C difficile* growth in an interventional mouse model of infection.

Basic and Translational—Liver

Basic and Translational—Pancreas