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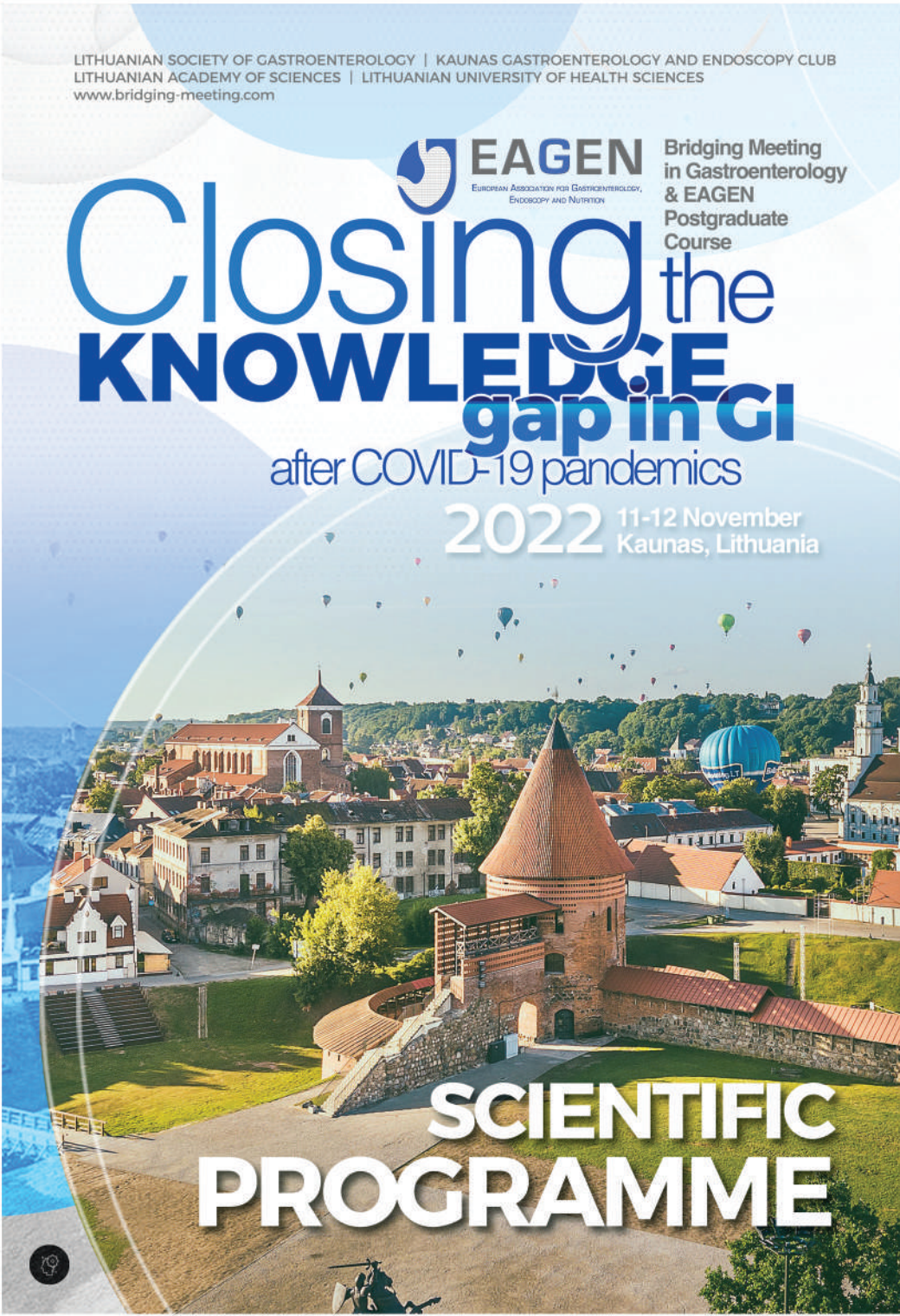
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# Closing the **KNOWLEDGE** gap in GI

after COVID-19 pandemics

**2022** 11-12 November  
Kaunas, Lithuania



**SCIENTIFIC  
PROGRAMME**



**9.00–09.10 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

*Prof. Juozas Kupcinskas, Prof. Peter Malfertheiner,  
Prof. Limas Kupcinskas*

**ESOPHAGUS AND STOMACH**

*Chairs: Prof. Andrzej Dabrowski, Prof. Limas Kupcinskas, Prof. Tim Vanuytsel*

**9.10–9.25 Unmet research needs in the stomach**

*Prof. Alexander Link, Germany*

**9.25–9.35 Tumour necrosis factor alpha levels in diverticular disease – systematic review and meta-analysis**

*Cristina Sabo, Romania*

**9.35–9.45 In search of a population tailored approach to improve the performance of pepsinogen testing for precancerous gastric lesions**

*Danute Razuka-Ebela, Latvia*

**9.45–9.55 Intraprocedural gastric juice analysis as compared to rapid urease test for real-time detection of *Helicobacter pylori***

*Dr. Riccardo Vasapolli, Germany*

**9.55–10.05 New strategy for the detection and treatment of *Helicobacter pylori* infections guided by a non-invasive PCR test, Serbian experience**

*Dr. Vladimir Milivojevic, Serbia*

**10.05–10.15 The influence of *Helicobacter pylori* on the bacterial communities of the upper gastrointestinal tract**

*Nadine Koch, Germany*

**10.15–10.25 Metabolic balance studies in short bowel syndrome**

*Astrid Verbiest, Belgium*

**10.25–10.35 Characterization and targeting of cancer stem cells in gastric cancer**

*Anissa Zaafour, France*

**10.35–10.45 Mice model for *Klebsiella pneumoniae* colonization of gastrointestinal tract: comparing the efficiency of recombinant bacteriocins and antibiotics**

*Indre Karaliute, Lithuania*

**10.45–10.55 Mucin mRNA isoform signatures as potential novel bio markers to evaluate disease status in patients with inflammatory bowel diseases.**

*Wout Arras, Belgium*

**10.55-11.10 Hippo pathway to fight against cancer stem cells in gastric cancer**

*Prof. Christine Varon, France*

**11.10-11.30 Coffee Break**

### **LIVER AND PANCREAS AND ENDOSCOPY**

*Chairs: Prof. Marco Bruno, Prof. Alexander Link, Prof. Jaroslaw Regula*

**11.30-11.45 Highlights of endoscopy research in 2022**

*Dr. Arne Kandulski, Germany*

**11.45-11.55 Duodenoscope associated infections; current state of affairs & potential solutions**

*Koen van der Ploeg, Netherlands*

**11.55-12.05 Secondary sclerosing cholangitis in patients with COVID-19 ARDS - A clinical-endoscopic analysis**

*Dr. Pia Goggelmann, Germany*

**12.05-12.15 Peroral endoscopic myotomy in the management of Zenker's diverticulum: a retrospective multicenter study**

*Dr. Aleksandra Budnicka-Borkowicz, Poland*

**12.15-12.25 Magnetic resonance imaging for the diagnosis of hepatocellular carcinoma in adults with chronic liver disease - a Cochrane systematic review**

*Tin Nadarevic, Croatia*

**12.25-12.35 EUS-guided transmural drainage beyond pancreatitis collections**

*Dr. Hanna Peeters, Belgium*

**12.35-12.45 Sterile fecal microbiome transfer in hepatic encephalopathy: case series**

*Rolandas Gedgaudas, Lithuania*

**12.45-13.45 Lunch Break**

### **MICROBIOME AND LOWER GI**

*Chairs: Prof. Andrzej Dabrowsky, Dr. Jurgita Skieceviciene, Prof. Annemieke Smet*

**13.45-14.00 Leaky gut: tips for conducting successful translational study**

*Prof. Annemieke Smet, Belgium*

**14.00-14.10 GUIDE-IBD: molecular therapy guidance for biological therapy in inflammatory bowel disease**

*Dr. Florian Tran, Germany*

- 14.10-14.20** **The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the medical care and course of inflammatory bowel diseases in Polish patients – survey analysis**  
*Natalia Owsianko, Poland*
- 14.20-14.30** **Clinical Case: *C. difficile* infection**  
*Dr. Andrea Severino, Italy*
- 14.30-14.40** **Putative targets of miR1246 and its isoforms in CRC**  
*Rokas Lukosevicius, Lithuania*
- 14.40-14.50** **Specimens from bile duct stent as potential Biomarker-source for pancreato-biliary diseases**  
*Noam Mathias Hipler, Germany*
- 14.50-15.00** **Distinct mucin-microbiome signatures in patients with gastric cancer**  
*Baptiste Oosterlinck, Belgium*
- 15.00-15.10** **Crypt-top and crypt-bottom colonic epithelial cell microRNA profiling reveals cell type-specific response in active and quiescent ulcerative colitis**  
*Ruta Inciuraite, Lithuania*
- 15.10-15.25** **Circulating microbiome: what we know so far?**  
*Dr. Jurgita Skieceviciene, Lithuania*
- 15.25-15.45** **Coffee Break**

### **YOUNG GI MENTORING SESSION**

*Chairs: Prof. Dan Dumitrascu, Povilas Ignatavicius, Prof. Jaroslaw Regula, Prof. Christine Varon*

- 15.45-16.05** **Tips for successful academic career for young researchers in GI**  
*Prof. Limas Kupcinskas, Lithuania,  
Prof. Peter Malfertheiner, Germany*
- 16.05-16.20** **Levels of evidence and clinical study designs**  
*Povilas Ignatavicius, Lithuania*
- 16.20-16.35** **How to make a really good presentation of your research data?**  
*Dr. Jan Bornschein, United Kingdom*
- 16.35** **Concluding remarks**  
*Prof. Peter Malfertheiner, Germany,  
Prof. Juozas Kupcinskas, Lithuania*
- 16.35-17.30** **EAGEN Board Meeting**

## **ESOPHAGUS AND STOMACH**

*Chairs: Dr. Jan Bornschein, Prof. Gianluca Ianiro, Prof. Alexander Link,  
Prof. Tim Vanuytsel*

- 8.30-8.45**      **Update on management of Barret's esophagus**  
*Dr. Jan Bornschein, United Kingdom*
- 8.45-9.00**      **FMT in 2022: should we get started with microbiome clinics?**  
*Prof. Gianluca Ianiro, Italy*
- 9.00-9.15**      **The importance of social media for networking and dissemination of research!**  
*Prof. Gianluca Ianiro, Italy*
- 9.15-9.30**      **Maastricht VI/Florence Consensus: remaining tasks for the future *H. pylori* researchers**  
*Prof. Peter Malfertheiner, Germany*
- 9.30-9.45**      **New concepts in treatment of functional dyspepsia**  
*Prof. Tim Vanuytsel, Belgium*
- 9.45-10.00**    **Coffee Break**

## **LIVER AND PANCREAS**

*Chairs: Prof. Marco Bruno, Prof. Arne Kandulski,  
Prof. Hannah Van Malenstein, Prof. Hans Van Vlierberghe*

- 10.00-10.15**    **Bile duct stricture: benign, inflammatory or malignant? Role of cholangioscopy**  
*Dr. Arne Kandulski, Germany*
- 10.15-10.30**    **Management of acute pancreatitis: an update for 2022**  
*Prof. Marco Bruno, Netherlands*
- 10.30-10.45**    **Management of alcoholic liver disease. What patient is most suitable for liver transplantation?**  
*Prof. Hans Van Vlierberghe, Belgium*
- 10.45-11.00**    **Liver lesions: role of CEUS in GI practice**  
*Prof. Alexander Link, Germany*
- 11.00-11.15**    **Management of variceal bleeding**  
*Prof. Andrzej Dabrowsky, Poland*
- 11.15-11.30**    **Potential of EUS guided hepatobiliary interventions**  
*Prof. Hannah Van Malenstein, Belgium*

**11.30-11.45** Personalized treatment in GI oncology: how close are we?  
*Prof. Marino Venerito, Germany*

**11.45-12.45** Lunch Break

### **ABBVIE SPONSORED SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM ON IBD AND HEPATITIS C**

*Dr. Konrad Aden, Prof. Juozas Kupcinskas, Assoc. Prof. Goda Sadauskaite*

**12.45-13.00** Goals and actualities of HCV elimination  
*Prof. Limas Kupcinskas*

**13.00-13.15** What treatment goals do we seek in IBD?  
*Prof. Gediminas Kiudelis*

**13.15-13.45** The new opportunities for attaining early disease control in IBD patients  
*Dr. Tim Raine*

### **MICROBIOME AND NUTRITION**

*Chairs: Prof. Dan Dumitrascu, Prof. Peter Malfertheiner,  
Prof. Tomica Milosavljevic, Prof. Annemieke Smet*

**13.45-14.00** What to eat in order to avoid cancer? Evidenced based insights  
*Prof. Tomica Milosavljevic, Serbia*

**14.00-14.15** Gastric microbiome: is it just *H. pylori*?  
*Prof. Christian Schultz, Germany*

**14.15-14.30** Exclusion diets in functional dyspepsia: what is the evidence?  
*Prof. Dan Dumitrascu, Romania*

**14.30-14.45** Epidemics of NASH: diet vs medical therapies  
*Prof. Davor Stimac, Croatia*

**14.45-15.05** Coffee Break

### **LARGE BOWEL**

*Chairs: Dr. Konrad Aden, Prof. Limas Kupcinskas, Prof. Jaroslaw Regula,  
Prof. Davor Stimac*

**15.05-15.20** Precision medicine in IBD: are we there yet?  
*Dr. Konrad Aden, Germany*

**15.20-15.35** CRC screening: more important than ever before  
*Prof. Jaroslaw Regula, Poland*

**15.35-15.50** Mistakes in diagnosis/management of microscopic colitis  
*Assoc. Prof. Andreas Munch, Sweden*

**15.50-16.00** Quality of upper GI endoscopy  
*Dr. Wlodek Januszewicz, Poland*

## **DIFFERENT SCENARIOS IN IBD**

*Chairs: Prof. Andrzej Dabrowski, Jolita Jakutiene, Prof. Gediminas Kiudelis,  
Prof. Jonas Valantinas*

**16.00–16.20 Takeda sponsored satellite symposium. Fistulising Crohn's disease**

*Prof. Gediminas Kiudelis, Lithuania*

**16.20–16.40 Pfizer sponsored satellite symposium. Management of severe UC**

*Prof. Laimas Jonaitis, Lithuania*

**16.40–17.00 Janssen sponsored satellite symposium. Sequencing of biologics in IBD**

*Prof. Juozas Kupcinskas, Lithuania*

**17.00–17.40 General Assembly of the Lithuanian Society of Gastroenterologists (liet. Lietuvos gastroenterologų draugijos narių suvažiavimas)**

**17.40 FAREWELL PARTY**

*Certificates of attendance will be issued to all attended Delegates by email within two weeks of the Meeting.*



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