

ESGE News and Upcoming Events

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ESGE Days 2018

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April 19–21, 2018
Budapest, Hungary



Apply for the 2017 Innovation of the Year Award

ESGE is pleased to announce the “2017 Innovation of the Year” award which will be presented at ESGE Days 2018. We are seeking the most inspiring, ground breaking and potentially game changing innovations in endoscopy.

Innovation drives progress and ESGE would like to recognize outstanding innovations in the field of endoscopy.

Students, physicians, institutes, corporate partners and biomedical companies are invited to submit applications demonstrating how their innovation (new technique, new device) has changed patient management and increased quality standards in endoscopy. The best innovation in two categories will be recognized:

1. Best procedural innovation
2. Best new device

Submit your application via the ESGE Days 2018 website before Friday, January 19, 2018 for your chance to present your innovation during ESGE Days 2018 at the plenary session.

www.esgedays.org

2018 Fellowship grant winners announced

With a record number of applications, the increasing need for comprehensive endoscopy training is apparent. ESGE has met the challenge and responded to the rising demand for training.

Congratulations go to the following 2018 winners:

Module I

Salah Altaweel (Yemen)
Mohamed Tayeb Bounnah (Algeria)
Shaimaa Elkholy (Egypt)
Jose Alberto Estradas Trujillo (Mexico)
Michail Galanopoulos (Greece)
David Janelidze (Ukraine)
Victoria Jimenez-Garcia (Spain)
Conor Lahiff (United Kingdom)
Dora Lippai (Hungary)
Alexander Constantin Moldoveanu (Romania)
Bibek Purbey (Nepal)
Ayesha Rai (Pakistan)
Joaquín Rodríguez Sánchez-Migallón (Spain)
Mohamed Sarhan (Egypt)
Sabrina Gloria Giulia Testoni (Italy)
Andrei Mihai Voiosu (Romania)

Module II

Emanuele Dabizzi (Italy)
Pradeep Kakkadasam Ramaswamy (India)
Alexander Katzarov (Bulgaria)
Rolandas Vaicekuskas (Lithuania)
Theodor Voiosu (Romania)

Applications for the 2019 Fellowship grant will be open on the ESGE website in March 2018.

UEG Week Barcelona: Impressions from the Learning Area



ESGE would like to thank all those who visited the Learning Area at UEG Week this year. As is true for so many things, it's the people that make the difference. The Learning Area was filled with life and showed that ESGE's mission to promote quality endoscopy in Europe and beyond, and to offer a networking hub to everyone working in the field is being fulfilled. The hands-on training on biological models continues to be the highlight, especially on the opening weekend. Repeatedly, delegates mentioned that they had arrived especially early to secure a place at one of the tables tutored by experienced doctors and nurses.



Experts from over 20 countries contributed as tutors in the hands-on training or as speakers in the Lecture Theatre.

If you missed it this year, put the next UEG Week 2018 in Vienna on your agenda now.

Research Grant Awards

ESGE is delighted to announce two successful recipients of this year's grants. The awards were presented by Dr Rodrigo Jover, ESGE research committee chair at the ESGE General Assembly:



Dr Eduardo Albéniz Arbizu and his team from Spain with their study titled "Morphologic and histopathological characteristics of large non-pedunculated colorectal polyps. A prospective international multicenter study"



Dr Marek Bugajski and his team from Poland with their study titled "The European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy key performance measures for colonoscopy in the Polish colorectal cancer screening program".

We congratulate them on their awards and look forward to hearing the results of their research in due course.

Application for the 2019 research grant will be opened in February 2018, visit our website to submit your application www.esge.com

ESGE/ESGENA position statements

ESGE and ESGENA joined forces to publish two positions statements in the November and December issues of the journal *Endoscopy*.

Prevention of multidrug-resistant infections from contaminated duodenoscopes: Position Statement of the European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ESGE) and European Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates (ESGENA). Ulrike Beilenhoff et al.

This Position Statement of ESGE and ESGENA addresses the recent outbreaks of infection with multidrug-resistant organisms following endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, and proposes measures to prevent or manage such outbreaks. As a consequence of the outbreaks, the development of purpose-designed cleaning equipment has been intensified, and manufacturers have provided more instructions on how to reprocess duodenoscopes appropriately and how to identify when servicing is necessary. The Position Statement addresses the importance of staff training, standardized and validated reprocessing procedures, regular maintenance of duodenoscopes, microbiological surveillance, as well as outbreak management.

ESGE-ESGENA-Technical specification for process validation and routine tests of reprocessing endoscopes in washer disinfectors according to EN ISO 15883, parts 1, 4, and ISO/TS 15883-5. U. Beilenhoff et al.

The selection, installation and validation of endoscope washer disinfectors have become increasingly complex. These steps are crucial to ensure patient safety as exemplified in outbreak reports. Pro-

professionals who take the ultimate responsibility of the absence of patient contamination through gastrointestinal endoscopy have received little or no in-depth information on this topic. This is in contrast with central sterilization units dedicated to surgical theaters where validation procedures have long been established.

The ESGE, ESGENA and experts with various expert backgrounds have joined efforts to facilitate this task for their colleagues. The statement in the December issue of *Endoscopy* gives step-by-step guidance on how to select, install, authorize the use, validate the entire reprocessing procedure and monitor endoscope washer disinfectors.

When will we see you again?

Attend one of the ESGE endorsed events below and take advantage of the registration fee reductions as an ESGE individual member.

For a detailed overview of upcoming events please visit the website: www.esge.com/events

Additional meetings of interest

JFHOD

March 22 – 25, 2018
Paris, France
www.jfhod.com

The International Liver Congress™

April 11 – 15, 2018
Paris, France
www.ilc-congress.eu

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