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SEPTEMBER 9th-11th

Scientific Program

PRELIMINARY

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09:00–11:00		ROOM A	POSTGRADUATE COURSE Complications of liver cirrhosis MODERATORS Juanita Pérez, MD (MEXICO) - Gabriel Mezzano, MD (CHILE)
09:00–09:10	Welcome to the postgraduate course Graciela Castro, MD (MEXICO) • Javier Brahm, MD (CHILE)		
09:10–09:25	Current prevalence in the world and Latin America of chronic liver disease TBD		
09:25–09:40	New concepts on the stratification of compensated and decompensated cirrhosis according Baveno VII Guadalupe García-Tsao, MD (USA)		
09:40–09:55	The microbiota as a therapeutic target in the decompensation of chronic liver disease Grace L. Su, MD (USA) ⓘ		
09:55–10:10	Treatment of acute kidney injury-Hepatorenal Syndrome Aldo Torre, MD (MEXICO)		
10:10–10:25	Refractory ascites: TIPS vs medical treatment Virginia Hernández, MD (SPAIN)		
10:25–10:40	Treatment of bacterial infections in patients with cirrhosis Sebastián Marciano, MD (ARGENTINA)		
10:40–11:00	Q&A Juanita Pérez, MD (MEXICO) - Gabriel Mezzano, MD (CHILE)		
11:00–11:30 BREAK / COMMERCIAL EXPO INAUGURATION			
11:30–13:00		MODERATORS Fernando Contreras, MD (DOMINICAN REPUBLIC) • José Antonio Velarde, MD (MEXICO)	
11:30–11:45	Antibiotic prophylaxis for spontaneous bacterial peritonitis: benefit or risk? Angelo Mattos, MD (BRAZIL)		
11:45–12:00	Sarcopenia and frailty: a predictor of poor prognosis in liver cirrhosis Carlos Benítez, MD (CHILE)		
12:00–12:15	Comprehensive management in hepatic encephalopathy Mario Reis, MD (BRAZIL)		
12:15–12:30	Endoscopic tools in the hands of the hepatologist: Endohepatology Iván López Méndez, MD (MEXICO)		
12:30–13:00	Q&A Fernando Contreras, MD (DOMINICAN REPUBLIC) • José Antonio Velarde, MD (MEXICO)		
13:00–14:30		INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM	

14:30–15:45	MODERATORS Fernando Bessone, MD [ARGENTINA] • Eira Cerda, MD [MEXICO]	14:00–18:00	Artificial Intelligence Workshop Juan Turnes, MD [SPAIN] • Manuel Mendizabal, MD [ARGENTINA]
14:30–14:45	Practical considerations in volume management in cirrhosis Elliot Tapper, MD [USA] 		
14:45–15:00	Transplant in ACLF, are there any contraindications? George Therapondos, MD [USA] 		
15:00–15:15	Intermediate stage hepatocellular carcinoma beyond locoregional therapies TBC		
15:15–15:30	Palliative care in end-stage liver disease José Presa, MD [PORTUGAL]		
15:30–15:45	Q&A Fernando Bessone, MD [ARGENTINA] • Eira Cerda, MD [MEXICO]		
15:45–16:15	BREAK		
16:15–17:50	ROOM A ALEH-EASL Symposium: Steatotic Liver Disease (SLD) MODERATORS Mario Pessoa, MD [BRAZIL] • Graciela Castro, MD [MEXICO]		
16:15–16:30	Implementation of the new nomenclature Francesco Paolo Russo, MD [ITALY] 		
16:30–16:45	The role of alcohol in SLD Aleksander Krag, MD [DENMARK] 		
16:45–17:00	Targering the gut microbiome to treat SLD <i>*Virtual Conference</i> Debbie Shawcross, MD [ENGLAND] 		
17:00–17:15	Steatotic Liver Disease, MASLD and risk of chronic kidney disease Marcelo Silva, MD [ARGENTINA]		
17:15–17:30	Q&A Mario Pessoa, MD [BRAZIL] • Graciela Castro, MD [MEXICO]		
17:30–17:50	Closing of the postgraduate course Congress Inauguration Graciela Castro, M.D. [MÉXICO]		

07:00–08:30	Research Workshop Sebastián Marciano, MD [ARGENTINA] • Angelo Mattos, MD [BRAZIL]		
08:30–10:00	ROOM A AASLD-ALEH-APASL-EASL GLOBAL LIVER FORUM TOPIC Hepatitis B MODERATORS Francisco Barrera, MD [CHILE] • Nelia Hernández, MD [URUGUAY]		08:30–15:20 Young Investigators Workshop AASLD
08:30–08:45	Should we treat patients in the Immunetolerant phase? Mario Pessoa, MD [BRAZIL]		
08:45–09:00	Can we stop nucleotide analogues in HBeAg negative patients? Aleksander Krag, MD [DENMARK] 		
09:00–09:15	From Chronic Hepatitis B to Hepatocellular Carcinoma. Who are the main players? W. Ray Kim, MD [USA] 		
09:15–09:30	New treatments for Chronic Hepatitis B Lai Wei, MD [CHINA] 		
09:30–10:00	Q&A Mario Pessoa, MD [BRAZIL] • Nelia Hernández, MD [URUGUAY]		
10:00–11:00	BREAK / POSTERS		
11:00–12:30	ROOM A MASLD I MODERATORS Fátima Higuera, MD [MEXICO] • Lorena Castro, MD [CHILE]	ROOM B Liver damage related alcohol consumption I MODERATORS José Luis Pérez, MD [MEXICO] • Enrique Carrera, MD [ECUADOR]	
11:00–11:15	MASLD and risk of Hepatocellular Carcinoma Claudia D. Oliveira, MD [BRAZIL]	Molecular basis of alcohol withdrawal and relapse in alcohol-related liver disease TBD	
11:15–11:25	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	
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11:35–11:50	When to think about MetALD? Elisa Pose, MD [SPAIN]	Actions in Latin America for a global problem Luis Antonio Díaz, MD [CHILE]	
11:50–12:00	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	
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12:30–14:00			

ROOM A Autoimmunes Liver Disease MODERATORS Norberto Chávez, MD (MEXICO) • Leyla Nazal, MD (CHILE)		ROOM B Hepatocellular Carcinoma MODERATORS Federico Piñero, MD (ARGENTINA) • Claudia Oliveira, MD (BRAZIL)	
14:00–15:25			
14:00–14:15	Combined therapies in Primary Biliary Cholangitis Alejandra Villamil, MD (ARGENTINA)	New clinical trials and outcomes in the systemic treatment of HCC TBC	
14:15–14:25	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	
14:25–14:40	Atypical Forms of Autoimmune Hepatitis Álvaro Urzúa, MD (CHILE)	What is the best biomarker for diagnosis, treatment and follow-up in Hepatocellular Carcinoma? Josefina Pagés, MD (ARGENTINA)	
14:40–14:50	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	
14:50–15:05	Standard treatment and treatment alternatives in autoimmune hepatitis Claudia Couto, MD (BRAZIL)	Synergizing therapies in hepatocellular carcinoma: immunotherapy and locoregional therapies Federico Piñero, MD (ARGENTINA)	
15:05–15:25	Q&A Norberto Chávez, MD (MEXICO) • Leyla Nazal, MD (CHILE)	Q&A Federico Piñero, MD (ARGENTINA) • Claudia Oliveira, MD (BRAZIL)	
15:25–16:10 BREAK / POSTERS			
ROOM A MASLD II MODERATORS Iván Méndez, MD (MEXICO) • Mario Reis, MD (BRAZIL)		ROOM B Hot Topics in Hepatology MODERATORS Rosalba Moreno, MD (MEXICO) • Josefina Pages, MD (ARGENTINA)	
16:10–18:00			
16:10–16:25	Genetics and epigenetics in MASLD Norberto Chávez, MD (MEXICO)	HILI in Latin America Fernando Bessone, MD (ARGENTINA)	
16:25–16:40	MASLD and Type 2 Diabetes: A risk relationship Marco Arrese, MD (CHILE)	Hepatitis C in 2024 Fernando Contreras, MD (DOMINICAN REPUBLIC)	
16:40–16:55	Cardiovascular risk in MASLD: How to prevent and treat? Mónica Acevedo, MD (CHILE)	Fulminant hepatitis, when to do transplant? Santiago Muñoz, MD (CHILE)	
16:55–17:10	Non-invasive markers for the diagnosis, treatment and follow-up in MASLD Adrián Gadano, MD (ARGENTINA)	Immune-mediated hepatitis due to immune checkpoint inhibitors Nelia Hernández, MD (URUGUAY)	
17:10–17:30	Q&A Iván Méndez, MD (MEXICO) • Mario Reis, MD (BRAZIL)	Q&A Rosalba Moreno, MD (MEXICO) • Josefina Pages, MD (ARGENTINA)	
17:30–18:00	Master Conference Presentation MODERATORS Mario Pessoa, MD (BRAZIL) • Graciela Castro, MD (MEXICO)		
	State-of-the-art Lecture Update on the Global Epidemiology of MASLD and MASH Zobair Younoussi, MD (USA) ⓘ		
18:00–19:15 ALEH Assembly			

09:00 - 15.50

Young Investigators Workshop ALEH-AASLD

09:00–09:10	Introduction W. Ray Kim, MD [USA] • Manuel Mendizabal, MD [ARGENTINA]
SESSION 1 - Academic Journey	
09:10–09:30	Pursuing an academic career: risk, rewards and milestones Guadalupe García-Tsao, MD [USA]
09:30–09:50	Building resilience and preventing burnout for long term success Grace L. Su, MD [USA]
09:50–10:10	What makes a healthy mentorship TBD
10:10–10:30	How to be a good mentee Marcos Arrese, MD [CHILE]
10:30–10:40	Q&A Panel
10:40–11:00	BREAK
SESSION 2 - Generating and disseminating data	
11:00–11:20	Conceiving the research questions Sebastián Marciano, MD [ARGENTINA]
11:20–11:40	Fundamentals of observational studies W. Ray Kim, MD [USA]
11:40–12:00	How to give effective presentation Manuel Mendizabal, MD [ARGENTINA]

12:00–12:20	Using social media to promote your science and career Elliot Tapper, MD [USA]
12:20–12:30	Q&A Panel
SESSION 3 - Publication for high impact	
12:30–12:50	How to write a paper and get published Luis Antonio Díaz, MD [CHILE]
12:50–13:10	What editors look for in papers Norberto Chávez-Tapia, MD [MEXICO]
13:10–14:10	Networking lunch
SESSION 4 - Poster Session	
14:10–15:40	Group 1: Viral Hepatitis Elliot Tapper, MD [USA] • Manuel Mendizabal, MD [ARGENTINA]
	Group 2: Cirrhosis Guadalupe García-Tsao, MD [USA] • Luis Antonio Díaz, MD [CHILE]
	Group 3: Fatty Liver Sebastián Marciano, MD [ARGENTINA] • TBD
	Group 4: HCC Grace L. Su, MD [USA] • Mario Pessoa, MD [BRAZIL]
15:40–15:50	Closing

07:00–08:15	Interest Groups Meeting	
08:30–10:15	ROOM A AASLD-ALEH SYMPOSIUM From liver cirrhosis to liver transplantation MODERATORS Guadalupe García-Tsao, MD (USA) • Manuel Mendizabal, MD (ARGENTINA)	
08:30–08:45	Strategies and technologies for improving mortality prediction, organ allocation and outcomes in liver transplantation W. Ray Kim, MD (USA) 	
08:45–09:00	Challenges in liver transplantation in Latin America Rodrigo Zapata, MD (CHILE)	
09:00–09:15	Frailty After Liver Transplantation Elliot Tapper, MD (USA) 	
09:15–09:30	Post-liver transplant immunotolerance Juanita Pérez, MD (MEXICO)	
09:30–09:45	Diagnosing liver cirrhosis through artificial intelligence Grace L. Su, MD (USA) 	
09:45–10:15	Q&A Guadalupe García-Tsao, MD (USA) • Manuel Mendizabal, MD (ARGENTINA)	
10:15–11:15	POSTERS	
11:15–13:00	ROOM A Miscellaneous MODERATORS Carlos Benítez, MD (CHILE) • Sebastián Marciano, MD (ARGENTINA)	ROOM B Hepatology Challenges MODERATORS Alejandro Soza, MD (CHILE) • Juan Miguel Abdo, MD (MEXICO)
11:15–11:30	Uncommon causes of hepatic steatosis Francisco Barrera, MD (CHILE)	11:15-11:30 Trasplante hepático con donante vivo: en el mundo real Humberto Bohórquez, MD (USA)
11:30–11:40	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	11:30-11:45 Is reversal of liver fibrosis currently possible? David Kersenobich, MD (MEXICO)
11:40–11:50	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	11:45-12:00 Clinical trials in primary biliary cholangitis Alejandra Villamil, MD (ARGENTINA)
11:50–12:05	Benign liver tumors Santiago Muñoz, MD (CHILE)	
12:05–12:15	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	12:00-12:15 Perioperative managment of patients with advanced chronic liver disease José Luis Pérez, MD (MEXICO)
12:15–12:25	ORAL COMMUNICATION + Questions (7+3)	12:15-12:30 Adrenal failure in cirrhosis Jorge Garavito, MD (PERU)
12:25–12:40	Noninvasive markers in alcohol liver disease Aleksander Krag, MD (DENMARK) 	12:30-12:45 Indications of antioxidants in liver diseases José Antonio Velarde, MD (MEXICO)
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13:00–14:30		INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM	
14:30–15:45		ROOM A Rounds in Hepatology II MODERATORS Claudia Couto, MD (BRAZIL) • Gabriel Mezzano, MD (CHILE)	ROOM B Rounds in Hepatology I MODERATORS Alejandra Villamil, MD (ARGENTINA) • Kriss del Rocío Rodríguez, MD (PERU)
14:30–14:50	Transplantation in severe acute hepatitis related to alcohol FOR: George Therapondos, MD (USA) ⓘ AGAINST: Elisa Pose, MD (SPAIN)	Benefits of new MASLD nomenclature Adrián Gadano, MD (ARGENTINA)	
		Challenges ahead in LATAM Juan Pablo Arab, MD (CANADA)	
14:50–15:10	Serum ammonium levels: useful biomarker in decompensated liver cirrhosis FOR: Edgar Santino, MD (MEXICO) AGAINST: Juan Turnes, MD (SPAIN)	Use of TIPS in portal thrombosis FOR: Virginia Hernández, MD (SPAIN) AGAINST: Guadalupe García-Tsao, MD (USA)	
15:10–15:30	Lifelong immunosuppression in autoimmune hepatitis FOR: Carlos Terra, MD (BRAZIL) AGAINST: Francesco Paolo, MD (ITALY)	Other indications for the use of albumin in cirrhosis FOR: Angelo Mattos, MD (BRAZIL) AGAINST: Aldo Torre, MD (MEXICO)	
15:30–15:45	Q&A Claudia Couto, MD (BRAZIL) • Gabriel Mezzano, MD (CHILE)	Q&A Alejandra Villamil, MD (ARGENTINA) • Kriss del Rocío Rodríguez, MD (PERU)	
15:45–16:15		BREAK	
16:15–19:00		MODERATORS Manuel Mendizabal, MD (ARGENTINA) Fernando Contreras, MD (DOMINICAN REPUBLIC)	
16:15– 16:35	Cultural Talk Javier Brahm, MD (CHILE)		
16:35– 16:55	Master Conference Jeffrey Lazarus, MD (ESPAÑA)		
16:55–17:15	Latin American Hepatologist Award		
17:15–17:35	International Hepatologist Award		
17:35–17:50	Oral Plenary 1		
17:50–18:05	Oral Plenary 2		
18:05–18:20	Oral Plenary 3		
18:20–18:35	Oral Plenary 4		
18:35–19:00	President’s Report		
19:00–19:30		CLOSURE	



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