



AFS Annual Meeting
September 10-14, 2025
Gaylord Texan- Grapevine, Texas

12:30pm-5:30pm THURSDAY General Session

Welcome- Dan Lister

12:30pm-2:20pm How AI is Changing Foregut Practice Now..... Moderators: Ashish Atreja and Ruchi Thanawala

- AI for Barrett's and Dysplasia- Is It Reality?..... Jason Samarasena
- Can AI Accurately Interpret Manometry and FLIP?..... Peter Kahrilas
- Digital Empowerment--Can It Refocus the Patient Encounter?..... Siddharth Sinha
- Panel Discussion-What Can I Do Right Now?

2:20pm-3:20pm Break- Visit with Industry Partners

3:20-5:30 Advances in the Management of Foregut Motility Disorders..... Reena Chokshi and Melissa DeSouza

- EGJOO Mimickers- How to Weed Out The Imposters.....John Pandolfino
- FLIP--Is it Ready to Fly Solo?..... Mike Ujiki
- The Failed POEM-- What is Plan B?.....Amrita Sethi
- The BOM Squad--Endoluminal Treatment of Blown Out Myotomies.....Aziz Aadam
- Management of Gastroparesis in the Post-Domperidone Era.....Linda Nguyen
- Panel Discussion-- Case Focused Discussion of Diagnostic Dilemmas

7:00am-8:00am FRIDAY- Women of The Foregut

8:00am-5:50pm Friday General Session

8:00am-9:30am Managing GERD in 2025.....Caitlin Houghton and Philip Katz

- Just Exactly What Is Refractory GERD?.....Peter Kahrilas
- cTIF-What's the Data? What's Next?.....Ken Chang
- Addressing the Angle of His From Lortat-Jacob to RefluxStop-- Is there a Place for Another ARP?..... John Lipham
- MSA, cTIF, RefluxStop, Fundo, etc. The Expanding World of Antireflux Procedures....Reg Bell
- Case Focused Panel Discussion

9:30am-10:00am Advances in the Management of Gastrointestinal Bleeding.....Tom Watson and Sri Komanduri

- What's the Latest in Endoscopic Hemostasis?..... Yana Cavanagh
- What is the Role for Surgeons in 2025?.....Sebastian Schompmann
- Case Focused Panel Discussion

10:00am-11:00am Break--Visit with Industry Partners

11:00am-12:00pm State of The AFS.....Mike Smith and Felice Schnoll-Sussman

- The Best of DocMatter.....Christy Dunst
- The Best of Foregut Journal.....Brian Louie
- Presidential Address..... Dan Lister

12:00pm-1:30pm Lunch

1:30pm-3:00pm EndoBariatrics and Beyond: It's Diabesity.....Leena Khaitan and Sigh Jirapinyo

- GLP-1 Receptor Agonists-- Magic Bullet or Source of Agony?.....Marianna Papademetriou
- Why It's More Than Just Obesity.....Barham Abu Dayyeh
- Video: My Technique for ESG.....Michaela Esquivel
- The Alphabet Soup of Bariatric Procedures: BPD-DS, SADI, OAGB- What every Foregut Specialist Should Know..... Guilherme Campos
- Case Focused Panel Discussion

3:00pm-4:00pm Break--Visit with Industry Partners

4:00pm-5:50pm Esophageal Cancer Awareness and Screening: The Key to Moving

the Needle.....Stu Spechler and Tom Watson

- Novel Noninvasive Screening Modalities..... Sri Komanduri
- Quality in Endoscopic Screening and Surveillance..... Mike Smith
- Risk Stratification in Barrett's..... Rhonda Souza
- TNE as a screening Modality..... Kate Hanley
- Panel Discussion..... All
- Society Update & Annual Business Meeting..... Dan Lister



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8:00am-9:00am Management of Refractory Foregut Disease..... Vani Konda and Daniela Molena

- Advanced Therapies for EOE--What's the Best Algorithm?..... David Katzka
- Achieving Complete Eradication in the EET of Stubborn Barrett's..... Raman Muthusamy
- Special Considerations for Managing Barrett's and Cancer Post-Surgery..... Alex Nieponice
- Case Focused Panel Discussion

9:00am-10:30am Abstract Session..... Jocelyn Burke Ronnie Fass

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11:30am-12:30pm Evolving Advanced Techniques..... Jelle Ruurda and TBD

- The Future of EndoSurgery..... Barham Abu Dayyeh
- Novel Approaches for Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy..... Netu Sarkaria
- Managing Post-Esophagectomy GOO--Who, When and How to GPOEM?..... TBD
- Case Focused Panel Discussion

12:30pm-2:00pm Lunch

2:00pm-3:15pm Fixing Foregut Disasters: How I Do It..... Alex Nieponice and Jen Kolb

- A Compilation of Invited Videos

3:15pm-4:15pm Break--Visit with Industry Partners

4:15pm-5:25pm The Grand Finale!..... Mike Smith, Dan Lister, Christy Dunst

- Meet The Press..... Tripp Buckley and Peter Kahrlas
- Annual Awards Presentation..... Mike Smith and Dan Lister
- This Was AFS 2025!-- What's Next For 2026!!..... Sri Komanduri, Stephanie Worrell, Ken Chang, Mike Ujiki

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4:00pm - 5:30 pm FRIDAY UGIRA Social Reception and Business Meeting

- Cocktail and Hors d'Oeuvres, Poster Viewing
- Business Meeting Opening and Introduction
- UGIRA Finance Review
- Registry Updates
- New Member Updates
- Fellowship Updates
- Announcements and Adjourn

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7:00am-8:00am UGIRA Industry Sponsored Breakfast Session: Cornerstone Robotics

8:00am-9:20am Session I RAME

- Evolution of OPIs and Teaching RAMIE
- Canadian Experience with RAMIE
- Robotic Abdominal and Cervical Esophagectomy (RACE)
- The Optimal Approach to the Anastomosis in RAMIE
- Panel Discussion
- RAMIE Using the Hinotori Robot
- RAMIE for SCC: Lessons from Asia
- Advances in Augmented Reality
- Panel Discussion

9:20am -9:30am Break

9:30am -10:25am Session II RAMIG

- What's the Data on RAMIG?
- Why RAMIG? The MSKCC Experience
- Asian Experience and Lessons with RAMIG
- Sentinel Lymph Node Imaging in RAMIG
- Panel Discussion

10:25am -10:40am am Break

10:40am -12:00pm Session III Surgical Videos

- Advanced RAMIE Resection
- Robotic Diverticulectomy
- Robotic Approach to Dysphagia Lusoria
- Giant Paraesophageal Hernia
- Robotic Conduit Revision After RAMIE
- Single Port UGI Robotic Surgery
- Robotic Repair of Esophageal Perforation
- Panel Discussion

12:00pm -1:15pm UGIRA Industry Sponsored Lunch Session: What's on the Horizon in UGI Robotic Surgery?

1:15pm-3:30pm President's Plenary Session

- UGIRA President's Address and UGIRA Updates
- UGIRA Congress President's Address
- Best Papers Presentation and Award
- Special Session: Giants of Innovation in Robotic/MIS UGI Surgery

3:15pm-3:30pm - Congress Wrap Up, Announcements and Adjournment



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**FLIP Course
Thursday, September 11th, 2025
7am-11:30am**

Course Directors: Anh Nguyen, Jacob Moremen

7:00--7:30am	What can FLIP add to your practice?.....	Anh Nguyen, Jacob Moremen
7:30--8:00am	The Basics: Placement and Protocol.....	Abe Khan
8:00--8:30am	Pattern Recognition: The Dallas Consensus.....	Dusty Carlson
8:30--9:00am	TULIPS 2.0: Making the Most of Myotomy.....	Zach Callahan
9:00--10:10am	Case Presentations.....	Moderators: Afrin Kamal, Zach Callahan Panel: Abe Khan, Dusty Carlson, Zach Callahan
10:10--10:35am	Break	
10:30--10:50am	TULIPS 2.0: Gastroapresis.....	Linda Nguyen
10:50--11:10am	Precision Fundoplicaion.....	Mike Ujiki
11:10--11:30am	Q and A.....	Moderators: Anh Nguyen, Jacob Moremen Panel: Linda Nguyen, Mike Ujiki
11:30am	Closing remarks.....	Anh Nguyen, Jacob Moremen



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**Beginner Motility Course
Wednesday, September 10th, 2025
12:00pm-6:00pm**

Course Directors:

Part I: Introduction to esophageal manometry

12:00--12:30 Lunch/Introduction.....

12:30--1:00pm Introduction to HRM: indications, equipment, tips/tricks for catheter placement, standardized protocol.....

1:00--1:20pm EGJ morphology and defining landmarks

1:20--1:40pm HRPT metrics: IRP, DCI, DL, individual swallows

1:40--2:00pm Chicago Classification 4.0: putting it all together.....

2:00--2:30pm Breakout #1 Focus on landmarks and individual metrics

2:30--2:40pm Break

Part II: Esophageal Motility Disorders

2:40--3:00pm EGJOO and Achalasia.....

3:00--3:20pm Hypermotility Disorders (DES/HE)

3:20--3:40pm Hypomotility Disorders (IEM/Absent)

3:40--4:20pm Breakout #2: guided cases

4:20--4:30pm Break

Part III: GERD

4:30--4:50pm Overview of pH and pH impedance testing (indication, techniques)

4:50--5:10pm Reflux study analysis- AET, Demeester, symptom analysis.....

5:10--6:00pm Breakout #3: Reflux Studies.....



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**Advanced Motility Course
Sunday, September 14th, 2025
12:00pm-5:00pm**

Course Directors:

7:30--8:00am Breakfast

Part I: Didactics

8:00--8:20am Provocative Maneuvers: how SLR, MRS, RDC inform decisions

8:20--8:50am "Outside the Lyon Consensus" approaching equivocal or atypical GERD symptoms

8:50--9:20am Padova consensus 1: Role of HRM in pre fundus

9:20--9:50am Padova consensus 2: Role of HRM in post fundus

9:50--10:20am Obesity and post-bariatric esophageal dysfunction

10:20--10:45am Approach to recurrent symptoms s/p myotomy (Achalasia)

10:45--11:00am Break

Part II: Panel Discussion

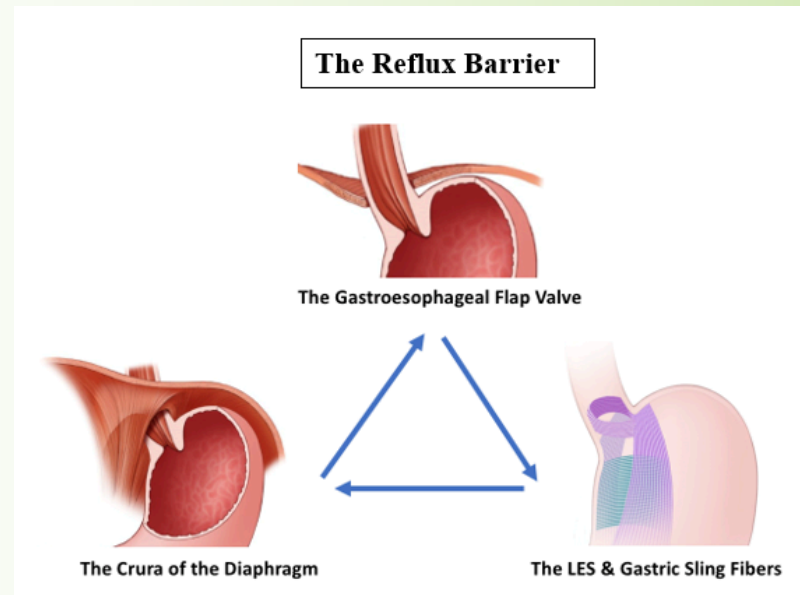
11:00--12:00pm Panel Discussion

Focus on the EsophagoGastric Junction: The Reflux Barrier & Antireflux Surgery

Objectives:

- Understand components of the antireflux barrier
- Review the AFS Hiatus Grade (AFS HG) classification
- Understand the AFS mechanisms of GERD and antireflux surgery (ARS)
- Understand the endoscopic characteristics of commonly performed ARS

Reflux is related to a small anatomic region called the esophagogastric junction (EGJ). Therefore, it is fitting that the upcoming AFS PG course is entitled: "Focus on the esophagogastric junction: the reflux barrier & antireflux surgery". In this course, participants will learn the new AFS classification of EGJ integrity that stresses both the importance of the flap valve and the degree of hiatal disruption. There will be a discussion on the mechanism of GERD and the principles of antireflux surgery (ARS). A major emphasis in this course is to learn the endoscopic characteristics of the gastroesophageal flap valve after ARS and how that correlates with the geometry of the fundoplication. Improved understanding of fundoplication geometry and its endoscopic characteristics should help surgeons optimize current and future antireflux operations.



7:25 am Welcome Ninh Nguyen, Peter Kahrilas

7:30 am AFS Mechanism of GERD Peter Kahrilas

7:45 am Mechanism of AR Procedures: How ARS restores the ARB..... Tripp Buckley

8:00 am AFS Hiatus Grade: We need to speak the same language Mimi Canto

8:15 am Physics of esophageal flow and ARB: Native and reconstructed..... Ravi Mittal

8:30 am State of ARS procedures: Why so low procedure numbers?..... John Lipham

8:45 am Intraoperative endoscopic assessment of the GEFV..... Christy Dunst

9:00 am Fundoplication geometry & the GE valve Ninh Nguyen

9:15 am Endoscopic Assessment of problematic post-ARS valve..... Barham Abu Dayyeh

9:30 am Functional Assessment of problematic post-ARS ARB..... John Pandolfino

9:45 am How to interpret the HRIM straight leg raise maneuver..... Prakash Gyawali

10:00 am Panel Discussion..... All

10:15 am Break

10:30 am Optimal patient selection for ARS..... David Katzka

10:40 am Personalized approach to ARS..... Reginald Bell

10:50 am ARB video tour de AFS!

1. Dealing with the hiatus: panel rapid fire..... Christy Dunst

2. Coming soon: AOH augmentation and suture pexy..... Netu Sarkaria

3. Technique for TIF: less is more!..... Ken Change

4. Post-myotomy reflux salvage..... Aziz Aadam

5. Endoscopic view of the post-ARS erosion: rapid fire..... Brian Louie

6. What are you looking at endoscopically??..... Tripp Buckley/Stuart Spechler

11:50 am Panel Discussion All

12:00pm Adjourn