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**ASGE Sessions on POEM, Detection of Dysplasia in  
Ulcerative Colitis, and Endoscopic Quality and Safety**

**WASHINGTON – May 16, 2015** – Don't miss these American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) programs at DDW®:

**ASGE Topic Forum, Saturday, 2:00 to 3:30 pm (Location: Washington Convention Center, 147)**  
“POEM: What's New?”

Study Highlight: *Outcomes of a Five-Year, Large Prospective Series of Peroral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM): Emphasis on Objective Assessment for GERD and Luminal Patency*

**ASGE/AGA Joint Presidential Plenary, Sunday, 2:00 to 5:00 pm (Location: Washington Convention Center, Hall D)**

Study Highlight: *High Definition White Light Endoscopy (HDWLE) Versus High Definition With Chromoendoscopy (HDCE) in the Detection of Dysplasia in Long Standing Ulcerative Colitis: A Randomized Controlled Trial*

**ASGE Topic Forum, Monday, 8:00 to 9:30 am (Location: Washington Convention Center, 145B)**  
“Managing Bleeding, Bad Preps and Infections: Quality and Safety in Endoscopy”

Study Highlight: *Recognition and Resolution of Duodenoscope Associated Multi-Drug Resistant Bacteria Transmission*

**ASGE Special Session, Monday, 10:00 to 11:30 am (Location: Washington Convention Center, Ballroom B)**

“2015 Update on Infections Related to Endoscope Reprocessing”

This session will feature speakers on the implications of multi-drug resistant infections; reprocessing of endoscopes; and other aspects of infection control raised during recent outbreaks.

**ASGE Topic Forum, Tuesday, 4:00 to 5:30 pm (Location: Washington Convention Center, 103A)**  
“Advances in Endoscopic Management of Gastric and Colonic Neoplasia”

Study Highlight: *Outcome of Referral to an Endoscopic Mucosal Resection Center as an Alternative to Surgery in Patients With Large and Flat Colon Tumors*

**ASGE Poster Session, Sunday, 9:30 am-4:00 pm (Location: Washington Convention Center, Hall C)**

“ASGE Posters – Lower GI 2”

Study Highlight: *Evaluation of the Ability to Visualize Colorectal Polyps with Colon Capsule Endoscopy*

Study Highlight: *Progress Report and Temporal Analysis on Health Disparity in Colorectal Cancer Care in the United States: Need for Targeted Intervention*

“ASGE Posters – Clinical Practice 1”

Study Highlight: *Feasibility of a Novel Approach to Bowel Cleansing for Colonoscopy: A Pilot Study of an Edible Colon Preparation*

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### **About the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy**

Since its founding in 1941, the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) has been dedicated to advancing patient care and digestive health by promoting excellence and innovation in gastrointestinal endoscopy. ASGE, with more than 12,000 members worldwide, promotes the highest standards for endoscopic training and practice, fosters endoscopic research, recognizes distinguished contributions to endoscopy, and is the foremost resource for endoscopic education. Visit [www.asge.org](http://www.asge.org) and [www.screen4coloncancer.org](http://www.screen4coloncancer.org) for more information and to find a qualified doctor in your area.

### **About Endoscopy**

Endoscopy is performed by specially-trained physicians called endoscopists using the most current technology to diagnose and treat diseases of the gastrointestinal tract. Using flexible, thin tubes called endoscopes, endoscopists are able to access the human digestive tract without incisions via natural orifices. Endoscopes are designed with high-intensity lighting and fitted with precision devices that allow viewing and treatment of the gastrointestinal system.

### **About Digestive Disease Week (DDW®)**

Digestive Disease Week® (DDW®) is the largest international gathering of physicians, researchers and academics in the fields of gastroenterology, hepatology, endoscopy and gastrointestinal surgery. Jointly sponsored by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD), the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) Institute, the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) and the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT), DDW takes place May 16 – 19, 2015, at Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. The meeting showcases more than 5,000 abstracts and hundreds of lectures on the latest advances in GI research, medicine and technology. More information can be found at [www.ddw.org](http://www.ddw.org).