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Pediatric Intestinal rehabilitation: Opportunities in
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Saturday, October 11, 2025 – Sunday October 12, 2025

St. Louis Union Station – 1820 Market St.

St. Louis, MO 63103

1 st Day of Conference	
12:00-12:05PM	Welcome and Introductions Ajay Jain, MD, DNB, MHA.
12:05-12:15PM	Chairman's Address Andrew J White, MD: The Robert W Wilmott Endowed Professor, Chair, Department of Pediatrics, Saint Louis University School of Medicine, Pediatrician-in-Chief & CMO, SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital
Session I: Moderator: Darla Shores, MD; Ruba Abdelhadi, MD, CNSC, NASPGHAN-F; Adam Farmer, MD, PhD	
12:20-12:50PM	Overview of the Current Landscape of Pediatric Intestinal Failure and IFALD Nisha Mangalat, MD: Director, Intestinal Care and Rehabilitation Center, GIRAF Program. Saint Louis University
12:55-1:25PM	Thinking ahead: Nutrition Deficiencies in Patients with Short Bowel Syndrome Samuel Kocoshis, MD: Medical Director, Intestinal Care Center, Medical Director, Small Bowel Transplantation Program. Cincinnati Children's Hospital
1:30-2:00PM	Overview of Surgical Techniques for Short Bowel Syndrome and Intestinal Rehabilitation Dave Mercer, MD, PhD: Professor of Surgery. University of Nebraska Medical Center
2:05-2:30PM	Afternoon Break Vendors and Posters
Session II: Moderator: Nisha Mangalat, MD; Martine Saint-Cyr, MD	
2:30-3:00PM	Novel Strategies Addressing Small Bowel Bacterial Overgrowth Vikram Kalathur Raghu, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics. University of Pittsburgh, School of Medicine
3:05-3:35PM	Challenges in the Home Care of the Intestinal Failure Patient Stephanie Bachi de Castro Oliveira, MD, CNSC, Associate Medical Director, Intestinal Rehabilitation Program, Intestinal Care Center, Assistant Professor, UC Department of Pediatrics. Cincinnati Children's Hospital
3:40-4:10PM	Management of Postoperative Feeding in Neonates Darla Royce Shores, MD, PhD. Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. Washington University, Saint Louis
4:15PM	Day 1 Closing Remarks Ajay Jain, MD, DNB, MHA.
5:00-7:30PM	Reception, Networking and Group Picture



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2 nd Day of Conference	
7:00-8:00AM	Continental Breakfast
Session III: Moderator: Jeffery Teckman, MD; Gwendalyn Randolph, PhD	
8:00-8:30AM	<p>Abstract Poster Presentations</p> <p><i>Can we Narrow Antibiotics Sooner? Evaluating Concordance of Bcid2 with Blood Cultures in Pediatric Intestinal Failure Patients</i> Sivan Kinberg, MD, MS, MA Director, Pediatric Intestinal Rehabilitation Center, Program Director, Clinical Informatics Fellowship Program, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics (in Biomedical Informatics), Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition Columbia University Medical Center</p> <p><i>Intestinal Rehabilitation Is Driven by a Novel Chyme Recirculation System</i> Vaishnavi Ramesh <i>Enhancing Nutrition: A Single-Center Experience with an In-Line Digestive Cartridge in Pediatric Short Bowel Syndrome</i> Sivan Kinberg, MD, MS, MA</p>
8:35-9:05AM	<p><i>Establishing Global Consortium Studies for the Pediatric Intestinal Rehabilitation Community</i> David Galloway, MD. Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics; Medical Director, Center for Intestinal Rehabilitation at Children's of Alabama (CIRCA); Program Director, Pediatric Gastroenterology Fellowship Program</p>
9:10-9:40AM	<p><i>Improving Outcomes of Patients with Intestinal Failure: A Global Perspective</i> Valeria Cohran, MD, Medical Director, Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplantation; Attending Physician, Gastroenterology Professor of Pediatrics. Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago</p>
9:45-10:15AM	<p>Break Vendors and Posters</p>
Session IV: Moderator: Ajay Jain, MD; Martine Saint-Cyr, MD; Ruba Abdelhadi, MD, CNSC, NASPGHAN-F	
10:15-10:45AM	<p><i>Intravenous Lipid Emulsions in Pediatric Intestinal Failure and Liver Disease</i> Kathleen Gura, PharmD, Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics Manager, Pharmacy Clinical Research Program. Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School (Joining us virtually)</p>
10:50-11:20AM	<p><i>What's Next in Intestinal Rehabilitation and Liver Disease: 50 Years of Research Innovation and Beyond</i> Conrad Cole, MD, MPH, MSc, Professor and Chief, Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition, Department of Pediatrics, University of Florida, College of Medicine</p>
11:25-11:55AM	<p><i>Distraction Enterogenesis: Mechanical Devices for Intestinal Rehabilitation</i> James Dunn, MD. Departments of Surgery and Bioengineering, Division of Pediatric Surgery, Stanford University School of Medicine</p>



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12:00-1:00PM	Lunch Poster Session
Session V: Moderator: Connie Rossini, MD; David Galloway, MD	
1:00-1:30PM	<i>Novel Therapeutics for Intestinal Rehabilitation and Cholestatic Liver Disease</i> Nikhil Pai, MD, Attending Physician, Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
1:35-2:05PM	<i>State of the Art of Blenderized Formulas in Intestinal Rehabilitation</i> Ruba Abdelhadi, MD, CNSC, NASPGHAN-F, Professor of Pediatrics, Associate Medical Director for the Office of Faculty Development, Director of Nutrition Support. University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine
2:10-2:40PM	<i>When Nutrition and Surgery Join Hands</i> Kishore Iyer, MBBS, MSc, FRCS(Eng), FACS, Director, Adult and Pediatric Intestine Rehab & Transplant Program, Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics Professor, Arnhold Institute of Global Health & Health System Design, Transplant Surgery Fellowship Program Director. Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
2:45-3:05PM	<i>Environmental Factors that Influence Outcomes in Patients with Intestinal Failure</i> Colin Martin, Director, Division of Pediatric Surgery, Drs. Brad and Barbara Warner Endowed Professor of Surgery, Surgeon-in-Chief, St. Louis Children's Hospital
3:05-3:20PM	Break
Session VI: Moderator: Nisha Mangalat, MD; Darla Shores, MD	
3:20-3:50PM	<i>Challenges of Transition from Pediatric to Adult Care</i> Martine Saint-Cyr, MD, Medical Director, St. Louis Children's Hospital Intestinal Rehabilitation Program (CHIRP) and Nutrition Medical Support, Assistant Professor, Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. St. Louis Children's Hospital
3:55-4:25PM	<i>New Horizons: Bugs, Drugs and Biomarkers in Intestinal Rehabilitation and Liver Injury – From the Lab to the Clinic</i> Ajay Jain, MD, DNB, MHA, Anthony Rejent Endowed Professor of Pediatrics, Pharmacology and Physiology, Chief, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition, Director, Pediatric Liver Transplantation; Director of The Healthy First program. Saint Louis University.
4:30-5:00PM	<i>Role of Liver X Receptor (LXR) in Short Bowel Syndrome</i> Gwendalyn Randolph, PhD. Emil R. Unanue Professor, Pathology & Immunology, Washington University, Saint Louis
5:00-5:15PM	<i>Day 2 Closing Remarks</i> Ajay Jain, MD, DNB, MHA.