

# LIVER DIGEST

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**The Next PLRC Virtual Seminar will be on Tuesday November 16 at Noon**

The next PLRC Virtual seminar will be held on **Tuesday, November 16 at 12:00 pm via Zoom only**. Dr. Isabelle LeClercq, Professor of Gastroenterology and Internal Medicine at the Université Catholique de Louvain in Brussels, Belgium, will be presenting. The title of the talk will be, "Liver Regeneration: Insights into 2 Critical Situations."

<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/94996033342>

This seminar has been approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*<sup>™</sup>. Please text code KEYKAW to 412-312-4424 to obtain credit.

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## **Dr. Reza Zarnegar and colleagues publish manuscript in Cellular and Molecular Gastroenterology and Hepatology**

**Dr. Reza Zarnegar** published a manuscript in Cellular and Molecular Gastroenterology and Hepatology, entitled, "A novel humanized model of NASH and its treatment with META4 a potent agonist of MET." PLRC members, **Dr. Andrew Duncan**, **Dr. Marie DeFrances**, and junior faculty, Dr. Evan Delgado, also contributed to this paper.

**[Click here for the full article](#)**

Ma J, Tan X, Kwon Y, Delgado ER, Zarnegar A, DeFrances MC, Duncan AW, Zarnegar R. A novel humanized model of NASH and its treatment with META4 a potent agonist of MET. Cell Mol Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2021 Oct 28:S2352-345X(21)00221-6. doi: 10.1016/j.jcmgh.2021.10.007. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 34756982.

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## **UPMC Pittsburgh Gut Club 2021 Webcast**

The next **Pittsburgh Gut Club** will be held on **Thurs. Nov. 18** from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. **Dr. Jorge Marrero** will present on "**Early Detection of Hepatocellular Carcinoma.**" Dr. Marrero is the new Division Chief at Penn, and his lecture on HCC management promises an excellent program.

**[Click here for Gut Club Flyer](#)**

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## **Liver Development, Metabolism, Disease & Cancer Conference - CSH Asia**

**The Cold Spring Harbor Asia conference on Liver Development, Metabolism, Disease & Cancer** will be held in Suzhou, China, and through stream (info TBD). The conference will include eight oral sessions and one poster session covering the latest findings across many topics in the study of Liver and metabolism. Many talks will be selected from the openly submitted abstracts on the basis of scientific merit and relevance. Social events throughout the conference provide ample opportunity for informal interactions.

**[Click Here to see the Flyer](#)**

*Conference will be held virtually and in-person in Suzhou, China on Dec 6 - Dec 10. Abstract Deadline is this Friday, Nov 5.*

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## **AASLD Masterclass 2021 for Early Career Investigators**

"The **[2021 AASLD/EASL Masterclass](#)**, provides a unique educational collaboration of clinical, basic, and translational scientists from leading academic medical institutions from both sides of the Atlantic. Participants will attend a two-day intensive training session designed for future leaders in academic hepatology. The program will consist of academic lectures, interactive break-out sessions, individual meetings with tutors, abstract presentations and a poster session, and social events to give early-stage investigators (MD, PhD, or MD/PhD, or equivalent) the opportunity to network with world leaders in hepatology. This year's program is hosted by AASLD and will be held in the U.S.A."

**Friday, December 10, 2021 - 8:00 am - Sunday, December 12, 2021 - 1:00 pm**  
**[To Learn more and to apply, Click Here](#)**

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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