

Canadian Association  
for the Study of the Liver



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## CASL Newsletter: February 2017

### Journal Survey: We Need Your Input!

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to fill out our survey on Journal Usage. If you haven't yet, please let us know what is important to you as we move forward with our next steps.

Please [click here](#) to access the Journal Survey.

### CASL Events at CDDW

If you will be attending CDDW in Banff this upcoming March, please mark your calendar to join us for the following CASL events:

#### 2017 CASL Annual General Meeting:

*Please participate! Your voice can be heard and your opinion matters!*

**Date:** Friday, March 3rd, 2017

**Time:** 4:30 - 5:30 pm

**Location:** D.C Coleman/ Sir Edward Beatty

#### 2017 CASL/CAHN Mixer:

*Join us for snacks and a complimentary beverage! We are looking forward to this event at CDDW, which highlights the increased collaboration between CASL and CAHN, and would encourage our members to attend.*

**Date:** Friday, March 3rd, 2017

**Time:** 6:30 - 7:30 pm

**Location:** Riverview Foyer

### Two New CASL Committees NOW ESTABLISHED

CASL continues to grow and expand its services. We are delighted to announce the following committees and believe they will benefit our membership greatly:

#### CASL Accreditation Committee:

Drs. Catherine Vincent and Mayur Brahmania have agreed to co-chair our newly established Accreditation Committee. The team will be moving forward in the next month to set the framework and policies accepting RCPSC accreditation applications to CASL. We are looking forward to providing this additional service to our members.

#### CASL Guidelines Committee:

The terms of reference and process for the development of CASL guidelines are being formulated by committee chair Dr. Morris Sherman, and members Drs. Binita Kamath and Jeanne-Marie Giard. We are very grateful to them for this effort and we look forward to having the CASL guidelines committee up and running very soon. Please stay tuned for updates about new new CASL in the coming year.

### Membership Renewals & Trainee Memberships

Don't forget to renew your membership for 2017, to gain access to discounts for CDDW, funding opportunities, and many other benefits.

Remember, if you are a trainee,

### 2017 CASL Gold Medal Lecture:

*Dr. Anna Suk-Fong Lok, MD President Elect of the AASLD, will present her Gold Medal acceptance lecture.*

**Date:** Saturday, March 4th, 2017

**Time:** 10:00 - 10:30 am

**Location:** D.C Coleman/ Sir Edward Beatty

### 2017 CASL/CLF Sass Kortsak Award:

*Dr. Eve A. Roberts, MD, PhD will present her Sass Kortsak Award acceptance lecture.*

**Date:** Sunday, March 5th, 2017

**Time:** 1:30 - 2:00 pm

**Location:** D.C Coleman/ Sir Edward Beatty

[Click here](#) to see the full CDDW program schedule.

## 2017 International Meeting on Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: SAVE THE DATE

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Mark September 9 to 11, 2017 in your Calendars for the CASL Focus Meeting on NAFLD, at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg, MB

The goal of this meeting is to foster research collaborations from clinicians and scientists on NAFLD within and beyond Canada. The program promises to offer the most up to date, cutting edge information in a highly stimulating and interactive format. Registration will open soon!

CASL membership is complimentary!

[Click here to renew your membership](#) and [click here to join as a new CASL member](#).

## Why Not Become a CASL Endorsed Special Interest Group?

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CASL has just approved a new special interest group policy.

We are committed to supporting the hepatology community in advancing research and networks to further knowledge and treatment options for liver disease. We provide official endorsements of special interest groups, to promote collaboration of scientists and health care professionals from a range of disciplines who share common specialized interests in the field of hepatology.

As an endorsed Special Interest Group, CASL will provide the following:

- Access to meeting space at CDDW each year, or if applicable, at single topic conferences
- A listing and description on the CASL website
- Facilitate Special Interest Groups communication among its membership

[Click here](#) to find out more information on how to apply to become a special interest group with CASL.

## Upcoming Affiliate Events

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26th Conference of the Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver (APASL): Shanghai, China - February 15 to 19 2017. Visit [www.apasl2017.org](http://www.apasl2017.org) for more information.

Emerging Trends in Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (AASLD): Washington, DC - March 18 to 19, 2017. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

French Congress on Hepato- Gastroenterology and Digestive Oncology (JFHOD): Paris, France - March 23rd to March 26th, 2017. Please

visit [www.jfhod.com](http://www.jfhod.com) for more information.

5th World Congress on Hepatitis and Liver Diseases, London, UK - August 10 to 12, 2017. Please [click here](#) for more information.

HCV 2017 - 24th International Symposium on Hepatitis C Virus and Related Viruses: Cape Cod, MA - September 25 to 28, 2017. Please visit <http://www.hcv2017.org/> for more information.

If you would like your event featured on the CASL Newsletter, please contact **[casl@hepatology.ca](mailto:casl@hepatology.ca)**

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