



## First Annual European Foregut Society Meeting – Vienna 2021

**Multi-disciplinary and centre based care for the functional foregut patient.  
How do we make this the universal standard?**

**Thursday November 4th**

### **Opening 9 am CET:**

The European Foregut Society – an interdisciplinary collaboration across Europe (10min)

**Luigi Bonavina** confirmed (University of Milano/Italy)

**Sebastian F. Schoppmann** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria)

**Nick Boyle** confirmed (London/United Kingdom)

American Foregut Society – European Foregut Society across the sea – the aim of an International Foregut Society (10min)

**John Lipham** confirmed (USC/American Foregut Society/United States of America)

### **Physiology (9:20-10:05 am CET):**

**Chair: Stephen Attwood** (Durham University/United Kingdom) confirmed, **Sebastian F. Schoppmann** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria)

The pathophysiology of GERD. The disruptive view (12+3min)

**Anthony Hobson** confirmed (The Functional Gut Clinic/United Kingdom)

Esophageal Motility. Chicago 4 and EGJ-OO - What fo(u)r? (12+3min)

**Arjan Bredenoord** confirmed (AMC Amsterdam/Netherlands)

The sphincter and the crura in health and disease (12+3min)

**John Lipham** confirmed (USC/American Foregut Society/United States of America)

### **Diagnostic and Technical Challenges (10:15-11:35 am CET)**

**Chair: Ivan Kristo** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria), **Martin Riegler** confirmed (Vienna/Austria)

Is it eosinophilic esophagitis or gastroesophageal reflux disease? (12+3min)

**Stephen Attwood** confirmed (Durham University/United Kingdom)

Management of persistent dysphagia in patients with eosinophilic esophagitis (12+3min)

**Rami Sweis** confirmed (University College London/United Kingdom)

ENDOFLIP: Does it have a role? (12+3min)

**Daniel Pohl** confirmed (University Hospital Zurich/Switzerland)

Reflux testing: past, present, and future (12+3min)

**Edoardo Savarino** confirmed (Padua/Italy)



The Hiatus – what is relevant? From an endoscopic and laparoscopic view (GI/Surgeon, 20 min)  
**Karl-Hermann Fuchs** confirmed (University of Würzburg/Germany)  
**Joachim Labenz** confirmed (Siegen/Germany)

**Moderated discussion:**

**How the experts work up patients with symptoms of Foregut disease (11:35-12:30 am CET)**

**Chair: Nick Boyle** confirmed (London/United Kingdom)

**Experts:**

**John Lipham** confirmed (USC/American Foregut Society/United States of America)

**Oliver Pech** confirmed (Regensburg/Germany)

**Rainer Schöfl** confirmed (Linz, Austria)

**Dimitrios Theodorou** confirmed (Athens/Greece)

**12:30-1pm CET Break**

**1pm-1.30 pm CET:**

**Keynote Lecture:** Giant paraesophageal hernias - A lifetime of experience (30min)

**Don Low** confirmed (Seattle/United States of America)

**Extra-esophageal GERD (1:30-2:15 pm CET)**

**Chair: Reza Asari** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria), **Stefan Mönig** confirmed (Geneva/Switzerland)

Physiology, diagnosis and manifestations of laryngo-pharyngeal reflux (12+3min)

**Jessica Leers** confirmed (Cologne/Germany)

Pulmonary manifestation of laryngopharyngeal reflux (12+3min)

**Peter George** confirmed (Imperial College London/United Kingdom)

Treatment of laryngopharyngeal reflux: Medical, interventional endoscopy or surgery? (12+3min)

**Jason Dunn** confirmed (London/United Kingdom)

**Moderated discussion:**

**Laryngo-pharyngeal reflux: how the experts work up and treat LPR patients (2:15 – 2:45pm CET)**

**Chair: Thomas Horbach** confirmed (Frankfurt am Main/Germany), **Jörg Zehetner** confirmed (Bern/Switzerland)

**Experts:**

**Martin Birchall** confirmed (University College London/United Kingdom)

**Anthony Hobson** confirmed (The Functional Gut Clinic/United Kingdom)

**Nick Boyle** confirmed (London/United Kingdom)

**Berit Schneider-Stickler** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria)

**2:45-3:00pm CET Break**

**GERD Interventions: evolution of therapy (3:00-4:15 pm CET)**

**Chair: Luigi Bonavina** confirmed (University of Milano/Italy), **Beat Müller** confirmed (Heidelberg/Germany)

Long-term medical treatment - to worry or not? (12+3min)

**Phil Woodland** confirmed (Royal London Hospital/United Kingdom)

When medical therapy fails - Why and what to do? (12+3min)

**Anjan Dhar** confirmed (Durham/United Kingdom)

Antireflux-Surgery – Does the robot help us for giant hernias? (12+3min)

**Stefan Mönig** confirmed (Geneva/Switzerland)

Outcomes for magnetic sphincter augmentation- Long term results (12+3min)

**Luigi Bonavina** confirmed (University of Milano/Italy)

Endoscopic anti-reflux procedures – is there a right patient? (12+3min)

**Pier Alberto Testoni** confirmed (Milano/Italy)

**Moderated discussion:**

**How the experts treat the “difficult” reflux patient – 60 seconds answer session (4:15-4:45)**

**Chair: Luigi Bonavina** confirmed (University of Milano/Italy), **Christian Gutschow** confirmed (University Hospital Zurich/Switzerland)

**Experts:**

**Arnulf Hölscher** confirmed (Frankfurt/Essen/Germany)

**Aleksandar Simic** confirmed (University of Belgrade/Serbia)

**Joachim Labenz** confirmed (Siegen/Germany)

**Phil Woodland** confirmed (Royal London Hospital/United Kingdom)

**Oliver Pech** confirmed (Regensburg/Germany)

**The challenging hiatus (4:45-5:35 pm CET)**

**Chair: Karl-Hermann Fuchs** confirmed (Frankfurt/Germany), **Dimitrios Theodorou** confirmed (Athens/Greece)

The comeback of Allison! HHR or LES-Augmentation (12+3min)

**Nick Boyle** confirmed (London/United Kingdom)

Achilles heel – hiatal hernia recurrence – how to avoid? (12+3min)

**Christian Gutschow** confirmed (University Hospital Zurich/Switzerland)



I always/never use a mesh: peer to peer discussion (20min)

**Pro: Dieter Birk** confirmed (Bietigheim/Germany)

**Contra: Johannes Zacherl** confirmed (Vienna/Austria)

**EFS Delphi Para-oesophageal results CG** (5:35-6:00pm CET)

**Christian Gutschow** confirmed (University Hospital Zurich/Switzerland)

**(6:00-6:30pm CET)**

**Keynote lecture:**

Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth: The elephant in the room

**Mark Pimentel** confirmed (Geffen School of Medicine/United States of America)

**Friday November 5th**

**Barrett's Esophagus (9:30-10:45am CET)**

Chair: **Christian Madl** invited (Vienna/Austria), **Peter Siersema** confirmed (Radboud University/Netherlands)

Screening (15min)

**Rebecca Fitzgerald** confirmed (University of Cambridge/United Kingdom) (12+3)

Prophylaxis: Impact of the AspECT Trial and what about surgery? (12+3)

**Janus Jankowski** (London/United Kingdom)

Current and emerging ablation techniques in BE (12+3)

**Adam Chwiesko** confirmed (Bialystok/Poland)

Dysplastic BE and early EAC (EMR/ESD) (12+3)

**Helmut Messmann** confirmed (Augsburg/Germany)

What to do after complete BE eradication (12+3)

**Ognjan Skrobic** confirmed (University of Belgrade/Serbia)

**10:45-11:15 am CET**

**Moderated Discussion:**

**Work up and treatment of patients with Barrett's esophagus (30min)**

**Moderator: Ines Gockel** (Leipzig/Germany) confirmed **Christian Sebesta** invited (Vienna/Austria)

**Experts:**

**Stephen Attwood** confirmed (Durham University/United Kingdom)

**Martin Riegler** confirmed (Vienna/Austria)

**Friedrich Wrba** invited (Vienna/Austria)

**Break 11:15-12:15**

**Achalasia 2021 (12:15-1:00pm CET)**

**Chair: Aleksandar Simic** confirmed (University of Belgrade/Serbia), **Andreas Püspök** invited (Eisenstadt/Austria)

Diagnosis of achalasia in 2021 (12+3)

**Mark Fox** confirmed (Arlesheim/University Hospital Zurich/Switzerland)

Heller vs POEM vs Dilatation (12+3)

**Ines Gockel** confirmed (Leipzig/Germany)

Treatment failures! (12+3)

**Arnulf Hölscher** confirmed (Frankfurt/Essen/Germany)

**Keynote lecture 1:00-1:30pm CET:**

Management of esophageal leakage

**Peter Siersema** confirmed (Radboud University/Netherlands)

**Video Session – How I do it (1:30-2:40)**

Chair: **Sebastian Schoppmann** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria)

Endoscopy (8+2min)

**Oliver Pech** confirmed (Regensburg/Germany)

POEM (8+2min)

**Matt Banks** confirmed (University College London/United Kingdom)

EMR (8+2min)

**Werner Dolak** confirmed (Medical University of Vienna/Austria)

ESD (8+2min)

**Seung-Hun Chon** confirmed (Cologne/Germany)

LINX (8+2min)

**Nick Boyle** confirmed (London/United Kingdom)

Esophyx (8+2min)

**Pier Alberto Testoni** confirmed (Milano/Italy)

Reflux Stop (8+2min)

**Jörg Zehetner** confirmed (Bern/Switzerland)

**Presentation of Belgrade 2022 Alex Simic 2:40-3:00pm CET**