

APASL STC 2026 Kumamoto Program at a Glance **Day 1 September 18 (Friday) 2026**

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	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Poster
AM	Registration			Poster Viewing
	Opening Remarks			
	State of the Art Lecture I Dr. Chien-Jen Chen State of the Art Lecture II Dr. Kiyohiko Izumi	State of the Art Lecture III Dr. Hiroyoshi Nishikawa	Session 4 Cutting Edge in Basic Research of Steatotic Liver Diseases (MASLD/MAFLD and ALD)	
	Session 1 Ending Viral Hepatitis in Asia: Current Challenges and Future Perspectives	Session 2 Cutting Edge in Liver Cancer Research: Molecular Mechanisms and Therapeutic Targets	Session 5 Cutting-Edge Advances in the Epidemiology and Diagnosis of MASLD/MAFLD	
	Keynote Lecture I Dr. Jia-Horng Kao Keynote Lecture II Dr. Makoto Nakanishi	Session 3 Advances in the Epidemiology and Diagnosis of Hepatocellular Carcinoma		
Noon	Luncheon Seminar 1	Luncheon Seminar 2	Luncheon Seminar 3	
PM	Keynote Lecture III Dr. Hiroaki Mitsuya	State of the Art Lecture IV Dr. Jacob George	Plenary Session	
	Session 6 Cutting Edge in HBV Research: From Basic Virology to Pathogenesis	Session 8 Future Directions in the Management of MASH: Integrating Emerging and Novel Therapeutic Strategies	IASL-APASL STC Joint Symposium: HBV Diagnosis and Treatment in Asia: From Biomarkers to the Indeterminate “Grey Zone” and HCC Management	
	Sponsored Seminar 1	Sponsored Seminar 2	Sponsored Seminar 3	
	Session 7 Novel Biomarkers in HBV: Clinical Utility and Future Prospects	Session 9 HCV-Related HCC in the Post-SVR Era: Risk Assessment and Surveillance	Free Papers	Poster Session
		Evening Seminar		
	Welcome Reception			

APASL STC 2026 Kumamoto Program at a Glance **Day 2 September 19 (Saturday) 2026**

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	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Poster
AM	Morning Seminar 1	Morning Seminar 2	Morning Seminar 3	
	State of the Art Lecture V Dr. Masatoshi Kudo	Session 11 Current Standards and Controversies in the Management of Chronic Hepatitis B	Free Papers	Poster Viewing
	Session 10 Reconstructing the Treatment Landscape of Hepatocellular Carcinoma Through Systemic Therapy	Session 12 Novel Therapies for HBV: The Road to Functional Cure	State of the Art Lecture VI Dr. Takahiro Ochiya	
			Session 13 Cutting Edge in Cirrhosis Research: Mechanisms of Regeneration and Fibrosis Reversal	
Noon	Luncheon Seminar 4	Luncheon Seminar 5	Luncheon Seminar 6	
PM	Keynote Lecture IV Dr. Shiv K. Sarin	Session 15 Frontiers of Conversion Therapy for Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma	Session 16 Cutting Edge in Autoimmune Liver Diseases (PBC/AIH/PSC): From Basic Science to Clinical Practice	
	Session 14 Cutting-Edge Advances in the Management of Cirrhosis and Portal Hypertension: Insights from Baveno Consensus			
	Sponsored Seminar 4	Sponsored Seminar 5	Free Papers	Poster Session
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	Closing Remarks			

*The program is subject to change.