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FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER TO
SUNDAY 01 NOVEMBER **2026** **Canberra, ACT**

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SYMPOSIUM HANDBOOK

VENUE & ACCOMMODATION

The Canberra Hospital



Canberra Hospital is the principal tertiary public hospital in the Australian Capital Territory and a major centre for specialist and complex medical care. As a teaching hospital affiliated with the Australian National University, it provides a broad range of advanced clinical services and supports education, training and research across multiple specialties. For ACES 2026, Canberra Hospital will provide the setting for live endoscopy cases, allowing delegates to observe real-world procedures with expert commentary and discussion.

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SYMPOSIUM
OVERVIEW

FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 2026

1200 – 1300	Registration & Welcome Lunch
1300 – 1630	Endoscopy Masterclass
	EUS Meet the Expert
1630 – 1700	Wrap up for the day

SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER 2026

0700 – 0800	Arrival Tea & Coffee Registration
0800 – 0815	Welcome & Introduction
0815 – 1045	Live Cases
1045 – 1115	Morning Refreshments Exhibition Area
1115 – 1330	Live Cases & Lectures
1330 – 1430	Lunch Exhibition Area
1430 – 1545	Live Cases & Lectures
1545 – 1615	Afternoon Refreshments Exhibition Area
1615 – 1730	Live Cases & Lectures
1730 – 1745	Closing Remarks
1900 – 2200	Symposium Dinner Australian War Memorial

SUNDAY 01 NOVEMBER 2026

0830 – 0900	Arrival Tea & Coffee
0900 – 0905	Day 2 opening remarks
0905 – 0930	Keynote Lecture
0930 – 1030	HBP MDT
1030 – 1130	Luminal MDT
1130 – 1215	IBD MDT
1215 – 1230	Close / Thank you
1230 – 1330	Lunch Exhibition Area



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**PROF
VINAY DHIR**

Fortis SL Raheja
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**PROF
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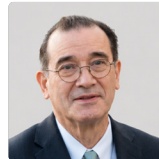
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ACES 2026 PROGRAMME

Gastroenterology Symposium

DAY 1: FRIDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 2026 (1300 - 1630)

Location: Level 3, Building 8 (Clinical Skills Building), The Canberra Hospital

Time	Activity	
1200 – 1300	Registration and Welcome Lunch Served	
1300 – 1630 (Parallel sessions)	Endoscopy Masterclass How I do it Moderators: Philip Craig, Matthew Remedios	Meet the experts Interventional EUS Moderators: Vipul Aggarwal, Saurabh Gupta
Talks (30mins each)	1300 – 1330 Knowing when to stop - the most underrated skill in endoscopy Linda Zhang	1300 – 1330 Endohepatology Rajit Gilhotra
	1330 – 1400 Precision Endoscopy: Advanced Imaging in Barrett's and Gastric IM Seiichiro Abe	1330 – 1415 EUS biliary drainage- case and video based discussion Vinay Dhir
	1400 – 1430 Navigating the Difficult Colon: Practical Techniques That Work Matthew Remedios	1415 – 1445 EUS gastrojejunostomy- case and video based discussion Uzma Siddiqui
	1430 – 1500 From Detection to Diagnosis: Advanced Imaging of Colon Polyps Raj Singh	1445 – 1515 Current state of EUS guided ablation Nam Nguyen
	1500 – 1530 Cold or Hot? What does the evidence say about polyp resection. Luke Hourigan	1515 – 1630 "My worst case"- Salvage techniques: when things go wrong. Uzma Siddiqui Vinay Dhir
	1530 – 1600 Post-Polypectomy Complications: Prevention, Recognition and Rescue Eric Lee	
	1600 – 1630 Cut, Coagulate or Blend? Electrosurgery Explained Stephen Philcox	
1630-1700	Wrap up for the day	

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Gastroenterology Symposium

DAY 2: SATURDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 2026 (0800-1715)
Location: Hyatt Hotel Canberra + Building 5 Theatres at The Canberra Hospital

Time	Activity	
0700 – 0800	Registration – Hyatt Hotel Tea, Coffee, pastries provided	
0800 – 0815	Welcome and Introduction	Vipul Aggarwal
0815 – 1045	Session 1: Moderator: Saurabh Gupta Panel: Greg Moore, Linda Zhang, Raj Singh, Andrew Thomson	
0815 – 0845	LIVE CASES	
0845 – 0910	State-of-the-art lecture: From detection to cure- the Japanese approach to early UGI neoplasia	Seiichiro Abe
0910 – 0955	LIVE CASES	
0955 – 1015	The Scarred Polyp: Cut, Burn, Avulse or Refer?	Stuart Kostalis
1015 – 1045	LIVE CASES	
1045 – 1115	MORNING TEA	
1115 – 1330	Session 2 Moderator: Arthur Kaffes Panel: Stuart Kostalas, Uzma Siddiqui, Matthew Keegan, Mark Bonnichsen	
1115 – 1200	LIVE CASES	
1200 – 1215	Small NETs, Big Decisions: Surveillance, Resection or Surgery?	Saurabh Gupta
1215 – 1230	When things don't go to plan: The first 10 minutes of an endoscopic complication	Peter Wu

1230 – 1330	LIVE CASES	
1330 – 1430	LUNCH	
1430 – 1545	Session 3 Moderator: Matthew Remedios Panel: Nam Nguyen, Anthony Whitfield, Eric Lee, Vikas Gupta	
1430 – 1530	LIVE CASES	
1530 – 1545	Periprocedural blood thinners in 2026: To Stop, Continue or Bridge?	Arthur Kaffes
1545 – 1615	AFTERNOON TEA	
1615 – 1730	Session 4 Moderator Perveen Aslam Panel: Stephen Philcox, Calvin Chan, Arthur Kaffes, Andrew Thomson	
1615 – 1630	Pancreatic Duct Stones and Strictures: A Practical Approach	Philip Craig
1635 – 1730	LIVE CASES	
1900	Symposium Dinner Venue – Anzac Atrium at The Australian War Memorial	



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Gastroenterology Symposium

DAY 3: SUNDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 2026 (0900-1330)
Location: Hyatt Hotel Canberra

Time	Activity
0830 – 0900	Registration @ Hyatt Hotel Tea, Coffee, Pastries provided
0900 – 0905	Day 2 opening remarks – From cases to consensus
0900 – 0945	Session 1 Panel: Vipul Aggarwal, Vinay Dhir, Philip Craig, Uzma Siddiqui, Charles Mosse
0905 – 0925	State-of-the-art lecture: Interventional EUS- how far have we come? Vinay Dhir
0925 – 0945	State-of-the-art lecture: The Evolution of ERCP: What's New, What's Gone, What's Next Uzma Siddiqui
0945 – 1035	HBP MDT Moderator: Perveen Aslam Panel: Vipul Aggarwal, Vinay Dhir, Philip Craig, Uzma Siddiqui, Siva Gananadha, Rohit Tamhane
1035 – 1135	LUMINAL MDT Moderator: Eric Lee Panel: Seiichiro Abe, David Rangiah, Luke Hourigan, Charles Mosse, Perveen Aslam
1135 – 1220	IBD MDT Moderator: Simon Ghaly Panel: Greg Moore, David Rangiah, Raj Singh, Saurabh Gupta
1220 – 1230	CLOSING REMARKS
1230 – 1330	LUNCH

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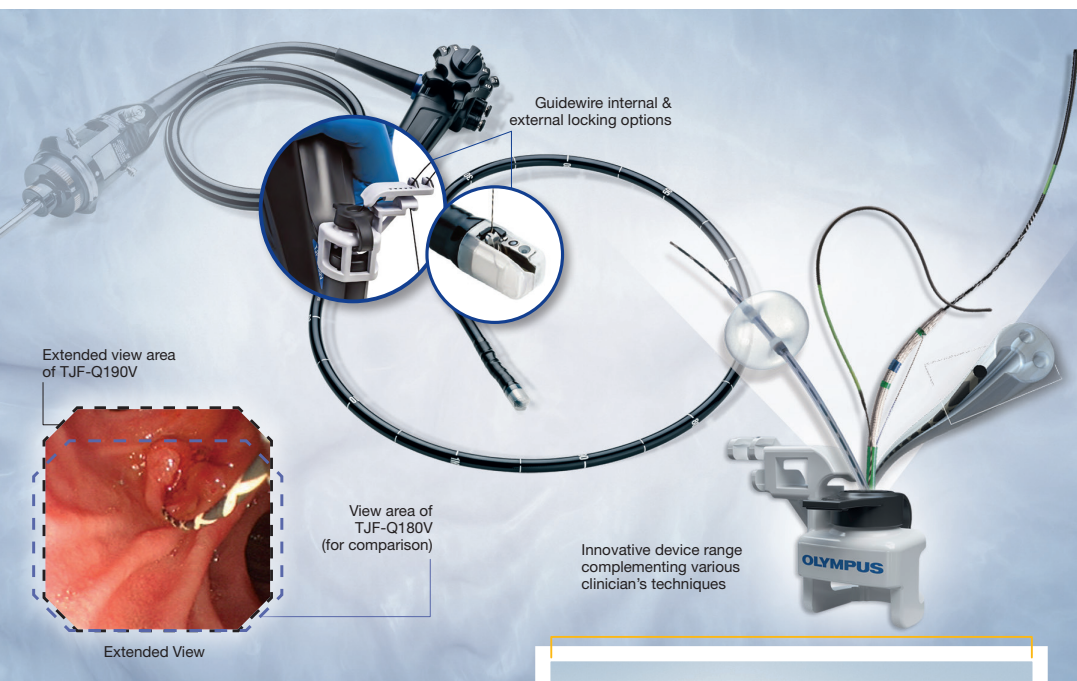
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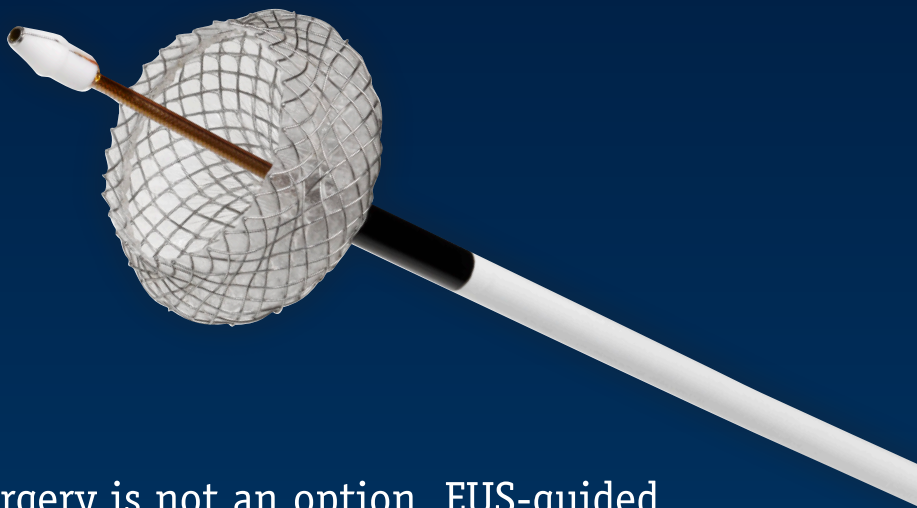
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