

# LITHUANIAN-JAPAN SYMPOSIUM ON GASTROINTESTINAL INFLAMMATION

10 March, 2026  
BLC Conference Center "Oto Hall"  
Donelaicio st. 62, Kaunas, Lithuania

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

- 14:30–15:00**    **Registration | Sponsors exhibition**
- 15:00–15:10**    **Welcome and opening**  
*Prof. Juozas Kupčinskas (Kaunas, Lithuania), Assoc. Prof. Goda Sadauskaitė (Vilnius, Lithuania);  
Prof. Hidekazu Suzuki (Tokyo, Japan)*
- I SESSION**    *Chairs: Assoc. Prof. Goda Sadauskaitė (Vilnius, Lithuania), Prof. Hidekazu Suzuki (Tokyo, Japan)*
- 15:10–15:25    Gastric cancer screening in Japan  
*Prof. Hidekazu Suzuki (Tokyo, Japan)*
- 15:25–15:30    Discussion
- 15:30 –15:45    European initiatives on gastric cancer screening: current status and future perspectives  
*Paulius Jonaitis (Kaunas, Lithuania)*
- 15:45–15:50    Discussion
- 15:50–16:05    Upper GI endoscopy and Artificial Intelligence  
*Assoc. Prof. Hideki Mori (Tokyo, Japan)*
- 16:05–16:10    Discussion
- 16:10–16:25    Contemporary management of reflux  
*Povilas Šabanas (Kaunas, Lithuania)*
- 16:25–16:30    Discussion
- 16:30–16:50**    **Coffee break | Sponsors exhibition**
- II SESSION**    *Chairs: Assoc. Prof. Masaya Sano (Tokyo, Japan), Dr. Rolandas Gedgaudas (Kaunas, Lithuania)*
- 16:50–17:05    Microbes that ignite our gut  
*Dr. Rūta Inčiūraitė (Kaunas, Lithuania)*
- 17:05–17:10    Discussion
- 17:10–17:25    How to heal liver inflammation: HCV, MASH and other hepatocyte killers  
*Dr. Rolandas Gedgaudas (Kaunas, Lithuania)*
- 17:25–17:30    Discussion
- 17:30–17:45    When should we start biologics in inflammatory bowel disease?  
*Prof. Laimas Jonaitis (Kaunas, Lithuania)*
- 17:45–17:50    Discussion

- 17:50–18:05 Chronic pancreatitis: optimal management  
*TBD*
- 18:05–18:10 Discussion
- 18:10-18:15 **Concluding remarks**
- 18:15-19:15 **On-site dinner**

**The conference is intended** for gastroenterologists, endoscopists, medical oncologists, surgeons, family and internal medicine doctors only.