

European Federation of Societies for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology



Ultrasonography for the Gastroenterologist

October brought an important event for the European gastroenterologists and not only – The UEG Week 2023, 14–17 October 2023 Copenhagen. The meeting brought together around 11,000 participants (from whom only 12% online) from 119 countries for 4 days of Gastroenterology and Hepatology scientific sessions, original abstracts presentations, industry symposia, hands on training and other scientific activities.

The Ultrasound Learning Area from UEGW, run in courtesy of EFSUMB and BICUS, promotes the role of a major diagnostic and interventional tool in gastroenterology: clinical ultrasonography in the hands of the gastroenterologist.

This year the Ultrasound Learning Area offered basic and advanced postgraduate courses on ultrasonography, individual hands-on training and special lectures in Gastrointestinal Ultrasound and Multipara-



► **Abb. 1** Maria Luigia Vaiano tutoring one of the ultrasound enthusiasts at the Ultrasound Learning Area at UEG.

metric Ultrasound in Gastroenterology. The programme was designed for both young and senior gastroenterologists, with or without experience in ultrasonography, and also for those with an interest in the new developments in ultrasound-based techniques.

The faculty members, well known European experts in ultrasound, helped the participants of the ULA program to discover the usefulness of ultrasonography in gastroenterological and hepatological pathology and initiated them in the protocol of systematic abdominal ultrasound examination.

More than 250 participants took part in the ULA activities during the 4 days of congress and benefited from the theoretical and practical activities from the program that was supported also by the industry sponsors: General Electric Healthcare, Siemens Healthineers and Mindray Medical.

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To view the programme and more images from our time at UEG please visit <https://efsumb.org/ueg23/>