## Liver Interest Group

The Liver Interest Group, originally initiated through the efforts of the late Professor Pauline Hall and myself 10 years ago, held its first recent meeting in December 2011 at the Vineyard hotel in Cape Town. This follows the efforts by the Gastro Foundation of South Africa, to facilitate the certification of Hepatology as a sub-speciality. This endeavour appears to be progressing well, and will offer exciting opportunities to train hepatologists in this country.

The Liver Interest Group meeting attracted a number of hepatologists gastroenterologists and surgeons interested in hepatopancreatic biliary disease. In addition, a number of GI Fellows were funded to attend.

It was an exciting meeting and served as an opportunity for those interested in hepatology, to get together and share experiences through updated reviews of the literature and case reports

We thank our sponsors Roche pharmaceuticals and look forward to this annual event.

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