

# Advanced Endoscopist Takes on Role as Associate Editor of New Journal

Shria Kumar, M.D., MSCE, a new member of Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center dedicated to the prevention, early detection, and endoscopic management of gastrointestinal cancer, has been selected to be the associate editor of a new journal being launched by the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG), *Evidence-Based GI*. The new publication was unveiled at the ACG's annual meeting which took place October 22–27, 2021.



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As the new associate editor of *Evidence-Based GI*, Dr. Kumar will review a selection of recently published GI articles, while providing editorial comments on selected articles to better help other clinicians understand the impact of these studies. Dr. Kumar said with so many publications each week, it's nearly impossible to reach each one. "This journal will

help distill them into a monthly source, with expert commentary that critically appraises the publications.”

Before joining the Miller School of Medicine this fall as an assistant professor in the Division of Digestive Health and Liver Diseases, Dr. Kumar completed her advanced endoscopy training at MD Anderson Cancer Center. She completed her general gastroenterology training at the University of Pennsylvania, where her research focused on the early detection and prevention of GI cancers. In her new role, she will work in the GI division of the health system doing advanced endoscopic procedures and building her already active research portfolio.

“Dr. Kumar’s appointment to *Evidence-Based GI* reflects her research, which has helped define optimal management of gastrointestinal diseases,” commented Paul Martin, M.D., chief of the Division of Digestive Health and Liver Diseases and professor of medicine at the Miller School of Medicine. “As an associate editor, she will help identify and publish papers that will advance the care of patients based on the best scientific evidence.”

“This is an institution that deeply invests in its faculty,” Dr. Kumar said. “It was clear to me that I would have the support of everyone behind me. As I’ve started my new role, I’ve found this to be very true and have already received astounding support from the Sylvester administration, my division chief, Dr. Martin, and my peers. In terms of collaboration across disciplines, my clinical work has shown that this is a very teamwork-based health system.”

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