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Dr. Amol Bapaye is Consultant Gastroenterologist and Interventional Endoscopist and Chief of Shivanand Desai Center for Digestive Disorders, Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital and Research Center, Pune, India. He is a member of the JGES, ASGE, ESGE, ISG and SGEI; and has been awarded the prestigious fellowships of various societies – FISG, FSGEI, FASGE, and FJGES. A surgeon by training, his clinical and research interests include advanced ERCP, interventional EUS, endoscopic resections including EMR / ESD, Third Space Endoscopy and Endotherapy for GERD.

Dr. Bapaye was selected as ASGE Ambassador (2015) for the ASGE International Training program. He serves on the International Editorial Board of Endoscopy, Endoscopic Ultrasound and Journal of Digestive Endoscopy journals; and has been a reviewer for several other international journals, being also adjudged as Best Reviewer for Endoscopy for 2019 & 2020. He has been the recipient of the – ‘Pioneer in Gastroenterology Award (2014)’ conferred by the World Endoscopy Organisation (WEO). He has previously served on the International Committee of the ASGE. He is an active member of the Asian Novel Bio Imaging & Intervention Group (ANBIIG) and of the Asian EUS Group (AEG).

Dr. Bapaye is the Founder and Managing Trustee of ‘Foundation for Research and Education in Endoscopy (FREE)’ – a non-profit organisation that supports training and research in endoscopy. He has organised several national and international meetings and workshops as Course Director. A passionate teacher, he actively conducts endoscopy training programs for ERCP, EUS and Third Space Endoscopy. He has lectured extensively at several international and national conferences and has performed several live endoscopy demonstrations at National & International Workshops. He also runs an e-learning platform via the YouTube channel – ‘FREEEndoscopy’.

Dr. Bapaye has authored over a 147 peer reviewed publications and conference abstracts and is the chief author and co-editor of the textbook – ‘Practical Handbook of Endoscopic Ultrasonography’. He has 6 book chapters to his credit. He has reported pioneering work in Third Space Endoscopy – particularly role of G-POEM and PREM for treatment of gastroparesis and Hirschsprung’s disease; and on management of post POEM reflux; and has also authored book chapters on these techniques.