



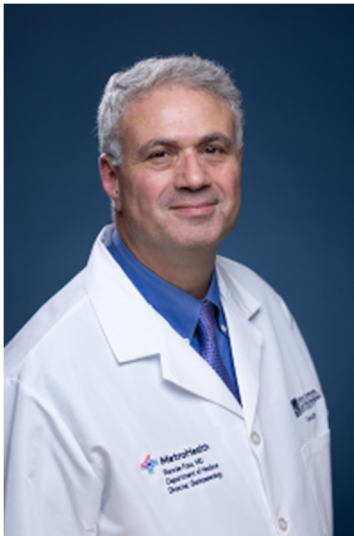
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Ronnie Fass, MD MACG, is the Medical Director of the Digestive Health Center, Chairman of the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, and head of the Esophageal and Swallowing Program at the MetroHealth Medical Center, Cleveland Ohio. He is also a tenured professor of medicine at Case Western Reserve University. Dr. Fass did his internship and residency in internal medicine at the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center, where he later became a Chief Resident. He then completed a fellowship in gastroenterology at the University of California in Los Angeles where he focused on GI motility and disorders of gut-brain interaction.

Dr. Fass has served in leadership positions in many societies. He is the former treasurer of the American Neurogastroenterology and Motility Society as well as the chair of the education committee. The former member of the Nominating Committees of the Upper GI Section and Neurogastroenterology and Motility of the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA). He has served as the chair of the Functional Esophageal Disorders



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committee for Rome IV, Membership committee of the American Neurogastroenterology and Motility Society, Practice Parameter Committee and Audio Committee of the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG) and the Publication Committee of the American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE). He has also served as a member of the management committee of the journal Neurogastroenterology and Motility. Moreover, Dr. Fass has served as a member of many committees in different GI societies. Currently Dr. Fass is serving as a member of the World Gastroenterology Organization (WGO) Guidelines and Publications committees, member of the ACG Digital communications and publications committee, member of The American Foregut Society (AFS) research committee, member of the International Society of Diseases of the esophagus (ISDE), education committee and the ACG GI on demand task force steering committee. In addition, Dr. Fass has served on the ANMS/EMS consensus group for Refractory GERD and as a core team member of Chicago Classification 4.0. He is currently a member of the EndoFlip experts panel working group, Rome V for functional esophageal disorders, Lyon 2.0 for GERD metrics (core member) and the multi-society guidelines for endoscopy credentialing (Representative of the AFS). In addition, he is leading the AFS consensus for Nonerosive reflux disease (NERD) and the World Gastroenterological Organization (WGO) GERD guidelines committee.

Dr. Fass is the editor-in-chief of the Journal of Clinical Gastroenterology and he is the editor-in-chief of the Journal of Neurogastroenterology and Motility. Dr. Fass is a frequent lecturer and presenter and is a reviewer for more than 70 journals. He is and has served on the editorial board of 27 journals.



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Dr. Fass is the recipient of the American Gastroenterological Association Award for Digestive Sciences in Clinical Research, the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System Investigator of the Year Award, and the International Foundation of Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders Senior Clinical Investigator Award. He has received the University of Arizona Dean's Research Award, the Glaxo Institute of Digestive Health Clinical Research Award twice, the American College of Gastroenterology Research Award three times, the American Medical Association Resident-Mentor Award twice, and the American Journal of Gastroenterology Outstanding Reviewer Award. Dr. Fass has been selected as one of the Best Doctors in Arizona between 2004 and 2011, Best Doctor in Northern Ohio between 2012 and 2016 as well as 2024, Castle Connolly Top Doctor from 2015-2024 and America's Top Doctor in 2021-2024. Dr. Fass was named World's Leading Expert in the research and treatment of GERD (press release 11/2013) and World's expert in esophageal motility disorders (Press release 7/2019) by Expertscape.com. He is the recipient of Mastership in Gastroenterology (MACG) by the American College of Gastroenterology (2021). Dr. Fass is the recipient of the 2023 Aldo Torsoli Award of the Rome Foundation for excellence in research, education and patient care in the area of disorders of gut-brain interactions (DGBIs). He is also the recipient of the 2023 Ray Clouse Visiting Professor of Excellence award by Washington University at Saint Louis. Dr. Fass has delivered numerous named lectureships and keynote presentations, such as The Miller lecture – University of Iowa, The Charles H. Brown Memorial Lecture – Cleveland Clinic, The Klein foundation annual lecture – Yale University and The Sally Marks Visiting Professorship – University of Cape town, South Africa. In 2023 he delivered the ACG lectureship during the Japanese GI Society annual

meeting and was the keynote speaker at the Stanford University annual GI meeting. In 2024, Dr. Fass presented the “Michael and Josephine Camilleri Lectureship” during Digestive Disease Week, was granted the title Fellow of the American Foregut Society and received the American College of Gastroenterology Outstanding Research Award in the Esophagus category. Dr. Fass was invited to give the “Tadataka Tachi Yamada” Lectureship during the 2025 annual meeting of the American Gastroenterological Association (the Digestive Disease Week) in San Diego.

Dr. Fass's research has focused on DGBI, specifically esophageal disorders, such as functional esophageal disorders, GERD, BE, dysphagia, esophageal dysmotility and others. He has received research grants from societies, academic and federal institutions as well as drug and device companies.

Dr. Fass has published more than 480 articles, editorials, and commentaries in journals such as New England Journal of Medicine, Gastroenterology, Gut, American Family Physician, American Journal of Gastroenterology, JAMA Internal Medicine, Lancet Gastroenterology and Hepatology and Nature Reviews Disease Primer. He has published three books and has written 62 book chapters, including 2 chapters in UpToDate.

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