

2000–2009



Nobel Prizes
in Medicine and Physiology

- 2000 1st Congress of the Latin American Region – in Santiago
- 2000 Zonisamide licensed for epilepsy in the US
- 2001 Epilepsia changes publishers – to Blackwell
- 2001 Epilepsia introduces on–line submission and reviewing
- 2001 24th International Epilepsy Congress – in Buenos Aires
- 2001 Launch of phase 2 of the Global Campaign Against Epilepsy in Geneva
- 2001 Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Estonia, Honduras, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Iraq, Lebanon, Malta, Malaysia, Nepal, Paraguay, Philippines, Qatar, Senegal, Syria, South Korea and Zimbabwe join the ILAE, making a total of 81 chapters
- 2002 1st ILAE Chapter Convention takes place – at the 5th European Regional Congress in Madrid
- 2003 25th International Epilepsy Congress – in Lisbon with 2887 delegates
- 2003 Belgium, Hong Kong, Kenya, Mongolia and South Africa join the ILAE
- 2004 Pregabalin launched into clinical practice in Europe for epilepsy



- 2005 ILAE archives moved to Zurich to become publicly available and indexed
- 2005 26th International Epilepsy Congress – in Paris with 5060 delegates
- 2005 Bangladesh, China, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Kazakhstan, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Singapore and the United Arab Emirates join the ILAE
- 2005 Epilepsy Atlas published under the auspices of the Global Campaign Against Epilepsy
- 2006 1st regional vice–president is elected – from the Asian and Oceanian Region
- 2007 27th International Epilepsy Congress – in Singapore with 2900 delegates
- 2007 Uganda and New Zealand join the ILAE
- 2007 Stiripentol licensed for use in SMEI in Europe
- 2007 Rufinamide licensed for use in Lennox–Gastaut Syndrome in Europe
- 2007 Epilepsia introduces publication of articles on–line before the print edition, themed issues and the Gray Matters section
- 2007 Morris–Coole prize initiated
- 2007 Digitised archive of all Epilepsia articles from 1909 becomes available online
- 2008 1st Congress of the North American region – in Seattle
- 2008 Lacosamide introduced into clinical practice in Europe
- 2009 Six new chapters proposed, Guinea, Ghana, Vietnam, Palestine, Mali, Uzbekistan – bringing the total number of chapters to over 100
- 2009 28th International Epilepsy Congress – the Centenary Congress – in Budapest again – and the ILAE enters its second 100 years

ILAE and Epilepsy

HISTORICAL WALL

- 2000 Working draft of the human genome sequence announced
- 2001 First artificial heart implanted
- 2002 Embryonic stem cells retrieved from bone marrow
- 2003 First case of SARS
- 2004 Cloning of first human embryo

- 2005 SNP map published
- 2006 First vaccine against cervical cancer approved
- 2007 First totally antibiotic–resistant case of TB
- 2007 Heart valve grown from stem cells
- 2008 Personal genome mapping commercially available for \$399 – where is the world heading?

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