

**11<sup>th</sup> Qatar Epilepsy Symposium  
And  
ILAE (International League against Epilepsy)  
CEMA (Commission on East Mediterranean Affairs)**

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
Bayt Al Diyafah  
Hamad Medical City**

**Preliminary Program**

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**

- 7.00- 8.00      Registration and morning coffee
- 8.00-8.15      Opening Ceremony
- 8.00-8.04      Dr B. Mesraoua, Symposium Chairman
- 8.04-8.07      Dr H. Al Hail, Epilepsy Symposium Co-Chairman
- 8.07-8.10      Dr G. Alorcon, Epilepsy Symposium Co-Chairman
- 8.10-8.15      Dr Omar Zaghmout ,Co-Director Medical Education,HMC

***Plenary session I***

***Epilepsy: Semiology, Clinical, AEDs***

Chairs: B.Mesraoua , H.Al Hail , E Perucca, N. Haddad

08.15-08.45 – [Methodological issues and interpretation of monotherapy trial designs](#)

(A.Beydoun , Beyrouth )

08.45-09.15 – AEDs: adverse effects and drug interactions (E Perucca, Italy)

09.15-09.45 – Photosensitive epilepsy (D. Kasteleijn , Netherland )

09.45-10.15 – Limbic Encephalitis and Seizures (L. Streletz, Qatar )

### **10.15-10.30 - Discussion and Coffee break**

Chairs: Alsaadi ali Pooya

10.30-11.00 – Outcomes in newly diagnosed epilepsy: “an ongoing saga”? (M Brodie,UK)

11.00-12.00 : **Keynote speaker**

Chair : P Boon

“The Claustrium and consciousness” ( M.Koubeissi , USA)

### **12.00-13.30 Discussion followed by Lunch & Friday Prayer**

#### **Workshops**

13.30-14.30

Room A – Management of SE and Epilepsy Semiology (B Mesraoua ,Qatar,G.Alorcon,  
Qatar)

Room B – Imaging assessment in patients with epilepsy(B Schucknecht  
Switzerland/ **S Surjith (Qatar)**)

Room C – Epilepsy cases presentation (H Al Hail,Qatar /G Melikyan,Qatar)

Room D – Pediatric epilepsy (A Covanis (Greece)/R.Benini,Qatar)

Room E – Idiopathic Generalized Epilepsies (Ali Alsadi Pooya ,Iran)

#### ***Plenary session I (continued)***

Chairs: A Beydoun, E Beghi , G.Melikyan, O.Yasser

14.30-15.00 – “A seizure mimicker that should not be missed”(A Beydoun, Lebanon)

15.00-15.30 – Nocturnal seizures: Semiology and differential diagnosis (N Haddad,  
Qatar)

15.30-16.00 – Traumatic brain injury and epilepsy (E Beghi, Italy)

16.00- 16.30 – Migraine and Epilepsy (B Mesraoua, Qatar)

16.30- 17.00 – SUDEP: Incidence, risk factors and prevention (T. Tomson, Sweden)

**17.00-17.30 Coffee break and Guided poster tour**

17.30-18.00 – Poster presentations

Poster 's first author should stand by the poster between 17.30 and 18.00

18.00-19.00 – Industry sponsored Symposium

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**February 3rd, 2018**

07.00-08.00 **Registration and morning coffee**

***Plenary session II***

Chairs: N Kissani, A Covanis , T Tomson , M.Arab

08.00-08.30 – Jeavons Syndrome (Eyelid myoclonia and absences) (A Covanis, Greece)

08.30-09.00 – Telemedicine and Epilepsy (N Kissani , Morocco)

09.00-09.30 – Progressive Myoclonic Epilepsies: Clinical , Neurophysiology (MR M. Arabi,  
Kuwait)

09.30-10.00 – The role of age, sex and socio-economic status in epilepsy(E.Beghi,Italy)

10.00-10.30 – Epilepsy and pregnancy: Teratogenic risks and practical management  
(T Tomson ,Sweden)

10.30-10.45 – **Panel Discussion, coffee break**

10.45-11.30 – **Debate**

Chairs: A.Beydoun

Seizure treatment, New ASDs ? Old ASDs ? (E Perucca vs M Brodie,UK)

11.30-12.30 - **Presidential Lecture**

Chairs: D. Kasteleijn , M Brodie

The pharmacogenomics of epilepsy (E Perucca , Italy)

**12.30-13.30 Lunch break**

## **Workshops**

### **13.30-14.30**

Room A – Neuromodulation for epilepsy: VNS, DBS, RNS (Chengyuan Wu ,USA)

Room B – EEG in photosensitive epilepsy (D. Kasteleijn , Netherland)

Room C – Surgically remediable epilepsies (A Ayad , Qatar/M Najjar , Lebanon)

Room D – PNES (psychogenic non epileptic seizures ) (AlSaadi Ali pooya , Iran)

Room E – The new classification of seizures & epilepsy (E.Beghi.Italy)

### **14.30.15.30**

**Room A-** Deep Brain Stimulation for epilepsy (M Koubeissi (USA)

### ***Plenary session III***

#### ***Neurosurgery, Neuroradiology***

Chairs: Ali Ayad, M Najjar , Chengyuan Wu , B. Schuknecht

15.30-16.00 – Overview of surgical approaches to epilepsy (Chengyuan Wu,USA)

16.00-16.30 – The value of morphometric MRI analysis in MRI negative Epilepsy  
surgery (M Najjar , Lebanon)

16.30-17.00 – Epilepsy surgery in Qatar (Dr Ali ayad , Qatar)

17.00-17.30 – Mortality following epilepsy surgery (AlSaadi Ali pooya , Iran )

17.30-18.00 – Epilepsy and amygdala enlargement on MR imaging (B Schucknecht ,Switzerland)

18.00- 18.30 **Panel Discussion, Coffee break**

### ***Plenary session III (continued)***

#### ***Epilepsy: clinical, neurophysiology***

Chairs : G Alarcon , , B Mesraoua, S Streletz ,

18.30-19.00 – Neurophysiological assessment of the epilepsies, innovative approaches (P Boon, Belgium)

19.00-19.30 – Advances in electrical stimulation for epilepsy (G Alarcon, Qatar)

19.30-20.00 – TMS Research and Therapy in Epilepsy (L. Streletz, Qatar)

20.00-20.15

**Closing remarks**

**2nd February 2018**

**19.00 - 20.00: Industry sponsored Symposium (GSK)**

Chair: M Koubeissi

Neurostimulation in epilepsy, what can we expect? (P.Boon , Belgium )