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Tagliacozzo
17th - 23rd May 2026

13th International Residential Course on Drug Resistant Epilepsies

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Sunday 17th of May

16.00 - 18.00	Arrival		
18.30 - 19.30		Welcome and introduction to the Course	Organizing Committee and local authorities

Monday 18th of May

		Chairs: M. Bialer – M. Walker		
08.30 - 09.30	L1	Drug resistant epilepsy: concept and biological basis		M. de Curtis
09.30 - 10.30	L2	Old & New Anti-Seizure Medications and their Clinically-Relevant Drug Interaction		M. Bialer
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee Break			
11.00 – 12.45	WG1	M. Bialer E. Perucca	E. Gardella	F. Bisulli
13.00 - 14.30	Lunch			

		Chairs: M. Bialer – M. Walker	
14.30 - 15.15	L3	Neuroinflammation and its impact on brain excitability in epilepsy	E. Palma
15.15 - 16.15	L4	Gene therapy for epilepsy: how far is?	M. Walker
16.15 - 16.45	Coffee Break		
16.45 - 19.15	Plenary Case presentation	Chairs: E. Gardella – F. Vigeveno	

Tuesday 19th of May

		Chairs: F. Vigeveno – E. Perucca	
08.30 - 09.30	L1	New ASMs in the pipeline: What is next?	M. Bialer
09.30 - 10.30	L2	Critical interpretation of clinical trials	E. Perucca
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee Break		
11.00 - 12.45	WG1	M. Bialer E. Perucca	F. Bisulli E. Gardella
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch		
		Chairs: E. Gardella - M. Walker	
14.00 – 14.45	L3	TBA	S. Marinelli
14.45 – 15.30	L4	Cellular and molecular biomarkers in drug resistant epilepsies	M. Walker
15.30 – 16.15	L5	Management of drug-resistant epilepsies in children: is duration of epilepsy a matter?	L. Lagae
16.15 – 16.45	Coffee Break		
16.45 - 18.00	WG2	F. Bisulli	E. Gardella M. Bialer E. Perucca
18.00 - 19.30	Plenary Case presentation	Chairs: N. Specchio – F. Bisulli	

Wednesday 20th of May

		Chairs: L. de Palma – F. Bisulli	
08.30 – 09.30	L1	Classification of epileptic syndromes: does the etiology matter?	I. Scheffer
09.30 - 10.15	L2	From genetic testing to the phenotype	E. Gardella
10.15 - 11.00	L3	Genetic panels and molecular tests	M. Trivisano
11.00 - 11.15	Coffee Break		
		Chairs: M. Trivisano – F. Vigeveno	
11.15 - 12.00	L4	Video-EEG in early onset severe epilepsies	L. Fusco
12.00 – 12.45	L5	Developmental and Epileptic encephalopathies in adults	F. Bisulli
12.45 – 13.45	Lunch		
13.45 – 14.30	L2	Filling the empty ellipse of “comorbidities” in epilepsy syndromes	K. Valente
14.30 – 16.00	WG1	M. Trivisano R. Nabbout	L. de Palma C. Pepi K. Valente I. Scheffer

Thursday 21th of May

		Chairs: R. Nabbout – F. Vigevano			
08.30 – 09.30	L1	New compounds in pipeline specifically designed for DEEs and precision approaches			E. Perucca
09.30 – 10.30	L2	Dravet Syndrome and new treatment perspectives			I. Scheffer
10.30 – 11.15	L3	Autism in Developmental and epileptic encephalopathies			F. Vigevano
11.15 - 11.45	Coffee Break				
11.45 - 13.15	WG1	K. Valente I. Scheffer	M. Trivisano R. Nabbout	L. de Palma C. Pepi	
13.15 - 14.30	Lunch				
		Chairs: I. Scheffer – N. Specchio			
14.30 - 15.00	L4	The era of 4Ps in epilepsy			R. Nabbout
15.00 - 15.45	L5	Status Epilepticus in epileptic patients			E. Trinka
15.45 - 16.30	L6	Neurocognitive evaluation in children			K. Valente
15.45 - 16.30	L6	How to design a clinical trial in drug resistant epilepsies			S. Auvin
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee Break				
17.00 - 19.15	Plenary Case presentation	Chairs: S. Auvin – R. Nabbout			

Friday 22th of May

		Chairs: K. Valente – L. de Palma			
		Surgical Remediable Epilepsies			
08.30 - 09.30	L1	Indication and outcome of epilepsy surgery			H. Cross
09.30 - 10.30	L2	How to deal with MRI negative cases			L. de Palma
10.30 – 11.30	L3	TSC drug treatment and surgical approach			K. Braun
11.30 – 11.45	Coffee Break				
11.45 - 13.15	WG1	L. de Palma C. Pepi	K. Valente I. Scheffer	M. Trivisano R. Nabbout	
13.15 - 14.30	Lunch				
		Chairs: K. Braun – S. Zuberi			
14.30 - 15.30	L5	Neuromodulation			L. de Palma
15.30 - 16.30	L6	Epilepsy surgery in genetic epilepsies			K. Braun
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee Break				
17.00 - 19.15	Plenary Case presentation	Chairs: L. de Palma – K. Braun			

Saturday 23th of May

		Chair: F. Vigeveno – H. Cross	
		Novel diagnostic tools for novel therapies	
09.00 – 09.45	L1	Non-epileptic paroxysmal disorders mimicking seizures in infants / Use of home-made video in daily practice	S. Zuberi
09.45 – 10.30	L2	DEEs – can we make a difference?	H. Cross
10.30 - 11.15	L3	Treatment of DEEs beyond seizures	S. Auvin
		Short pills for emerging treatments	
11.15 - 11.45	L4	The case of TPP1 replacement treatment	N. Specchio
11.45 - 12.30		Grand Round and Competition	All
12.30 - 13.00	Lunch		
<i>End of course</i>			

Tutors and topics

M. Bialer and E. Perucca	Drug interactions
F. Bisulli	Differential diagnosis in adults
E. Gardella	Differential diagnosis in children
L. de Palma and C. Pepi	Seizure semiology and diagnostic value of video-EEG
K. Valente and I. Scheffer	How to properly classify patients
R. Nabbout and M. Trivisano	Genetic epilepsies