

Scientific Program- March 4

Time	Moderator/Speaker	Session/Talk
07:30-08:30	Registration	
08:30-09:40	<i>Mohammed Shehab (Jordan), Riadh Gouider (Tunisia)</i>	Practical issues
08:30-09:00	Khaled Zamel (Qatar), Emilio Perucca (Italy)	What is new in the Classification of Seizures and Epilepsies?
09:00-09:30	Hassan Hosny (Egypt)	What Can we Say to Women of Reproductive age with Epilepsy in 2016?
09:30-09:40		Questions & Answers
09:40-10:00	Coffee Break/ Poster Tour (lead by Dr. Fathallah & Dr. Lachhwani, authors stand by posters)	
10:00-10:20	Opening Ceremony	
10:20-12:30	<i>Abu Baker Madani (UAE), Ahmed Khalifa (Syria)</i>	Epilepsy Across All Ages
10:20-10:50	Ahmed Beydoun (Lebanon)	Advances in Lafora Disease
10:50-11:20	Gonzalo Alarcon (Qatar)	New Insights into the Understanding Mechanisms of Generalized Epilepsies
11:20-11:50	Frank Gilliam (USA)	Insular Epilepsies: New Concepts
11:50-12:20	Eugen Trinka (Austria)	Seizures after a Stroke and Strokes after The Seizures: Which Comes First?
12:20-12:30		Questions & Answers
12:30-14:00	Lunch and Prayer Break	
14:00-15:00	<i>Hassan Hosny (Egypt), Ghaieb Bashar (Iraq)</i>	Epilepsy Comorbidities 
14:00-14:25	Eugen Trinka (Austria)	Migraine and Epilepsy: is there a link?
14:25-14:50	Ley Sander (UK)	Cognition and Epilepsy
14:50-15:00		Questions & Answers
15:00-15:45	<i>Hassan Hosny (Egypt), Ghaieb Bashar (Iraq)</i>	Keynote Talk I
15:00-15:40	Steven Schachter (USA)	Botanicals and Epilepsy
15:40-15:45		Questions & Answers
15:45-16:00	Coffee Break/ Poster Tour (lead by Dr. Fathallah & Dr. Lachhwani, authors stand by posters)	

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16:00-17:00	<i>Abdullah Al Asmi (Oman), Adel Misk (Palestine)</i>	Video Session I
16:00-16:20	Athanasios Covanis (Greece), Raidah Al-Baradie (Saudi Arabia)	Myoclonic and Absence Seizures and Syndromes
16:20-16:30		<i>Questions & Answers</i>
16:30-16:50	Sonia Khan (Saudi Arabia)	Epilepsy Mimickers
16:50-17:00		<i>Questions & Answers</i>
17:00-18:00	<i>Abdulaziz Ashkanany (Kuwait), Boulenouar Mesraoua (Qatar)</i>	Video Session II
17:00-17:20	Wassim Nasreddine (Lebanon), Maher Arabi (Kuwait)	Extratemporal Lobe Epilepsy
17:20-17:30		<i>Questions & Answers</i>
17:30-17:50	Deepak Lachhwani (UAE), Salah Baz (Saudi Arabia)	Semiologies of Temporal Lobe Epilepsy
17:50-18:00		<i>Questions & Answers</i>

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07:30-08:00	Registration	
08:00-09:30	<i>Raidah Al-Baradie (KSA)</i> <i>Ahmed Beydoun (Lebanon)</i>	Epilepsy Surgery 
08:00-08:30	Roula Hourany (Lebanon)	Neuroimaging and Epilepsy
08:30-09:00	Faisal Al Otaibi (Saudi Arabia)	Epilepsy Surgery: Technical Advances and Outcome
09:00-09:30	Basim Uthman (Qatar)	Non-Surgical Options in The Management of Patients with Medical Refractory Epilepsy
09:30-09:40		Questions & Answers
09:40-10:40	<i>Amina Gargouri-Berrechid (Tunisia)</i> <i>Athanasios Covanis (Greece)</i>	Social Issues in CEMA Region
09:40-10:00	Mohamad Jan (Saudi Arabia)	Stigma
10:00-10:20	Najib Kissani (Morocco)	Employment
10:20-10:30	Chahnez Triki (Tunisia)	Treatment Gaps
10:30-10:50	Ahmed Shatila (UAE)	Driving
10:50-11:00		Questions & Answers
11:00-11:20	Coffee Break/ Poster Tour (lead by Dr. Fathallah & Dr. Lachhwani, authors stand by posters)	
11:20-12:20	<i>Mohamad Malik (UAE)</i> <i>Mufeed Raouf (UAE)</i>	Oral Communications I (Parallel- at Main Lecture Hall)
11:20-12:20	<i>Wasseem Fathallah (UAE)</i> <i>Sonia Khan (UAE)</i>	Oral Communications II (Parallel- at Al Dana Room)
12:20-13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30-14:00	<i>Taoufik Alsaadi (UAE)</i>	Keynote Talk II
13:30-13:50	Selim Benbadis (USA)	New vs. Old AEDs
13:50-14:00		Questions & Answers

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14:00-16:00	<i>Faisal Al Otaibi (Saudi Arabia), Iyad Khoudeir (UAE)</i>	Debates: Controversies in Epilepsy
14:00-14:40	Pro: Ahmed Beydoun (Lebanon), Con: Taoufik Alsaadi (UAE)	All patients with Medically Refractory Epilepsy should be Treated with Polytherapy
14:40-14:45		Questions & Answers
14:45-15:25	Pro: Emilio Perucca (Italy), Con: Basim Uthman (Qatar)	Drug Monitoring of AEDs is Mandatory for All Patients With Epilepsy
15:25-15:30		Questions & Answers
15:30-15:45	<i>Coffee Break/ Poster Tour (lead by Dr. Fathallah & Dr. Lachhwani, authors stand by posters)</i>	
15:45-17:00	<i>Najib Kissani (Morocco), Tania Tayah (UAE)</i>	Hot Topics in Epilepsy
15:45-16:15	Ley Sander (UK)	The Impeding Paradigm Shift in Epilepsy
16:15-16:45	Frank Gilliam (USA)	Genomics in Human Epilepsy: Relevance for Etiology, Mechanisms, and Management
16:45-17:00		Questions & Answers
17:00-17:15	Closing Remarks	
18:30-20:00	CEMA General Assembly Meeting	

Congress Speakers

Dr. Faisal Al Otaibi, Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery, King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre, Riyadh, KSA

Dr. Gonzalo Alarcon, Consultant Epileptologist, President of the Spanish League Against Epilepsy, Doha, Qatar

Dr. Raidah Al- Baradie, Consultant Pediatric Neurologist, KFSH-D & Dammam University, Riyadh, KSA

Dr. Taoufik Alsaadi, Chair of Neurology Department, Chief Medical Officer American Center for Psychiatry & Neurology Dubai, UAE

Dr. Maher Arabi, Consultant Neurologist & Head of Epilepsy Monitoring Unit, Ibn Sena Hospital, Kuwait City, Kuwait

Dr. Salah Baz, Consultant Epileptologist King Fahad Specialist Hospital, Riyadh, KSA

Dr. Selim Benbadis, Professor of Neurology, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, USA

Dr. Ahmad Beydoun, Professor of Neurology, American University of Beirut, Lebanon, Beirut

Dr. Athanasios Covanis, President of the IBE, Athens, Greece

Dr. Frank Gilliam, Professor of Neurology, Penn State Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, PA, USA

Dr. Hassan Hosny, Professor of Neurology, Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt

Dr. Roula Hourany, Consultant Neuroradiology, American University of Beirut Medical Center, Beirut, Lebanon

Dr. Mohammed M.S. Jan Professor & Consultant of Pediatric Neurology and Clinical Neurophysiology Department of Pediatrics, King Abdulaziz University, Jeddah, KSA

Dr. Sonia Khan, Consultant Neurologist, Prince Sultan Military Medical City, Riyadh, KSA

Dr. Najib Kissani, Head of Neurology Department, Marrakesh University Hospital, Rabat, Morocco

Dr. Deepak Lachhwani, Chief of Neurology, Consultant Pediatric Neurologist, Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dr. Wassim Nasreddine, Assistant Professor of Neurology, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

Dr. Emilio Perucca, Professor of Medical Pharmacology, University of Pavia, Pavia, Italy

Dr. Ley Sander, Professor of Epilepsy UCL, Institute of Neurology, London, UK

Dr. Steve Schachter, Professor of Neurology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, USA

Dr. Ahmed Shatila, Consultant Neurologist, Mafraq Hospital, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dr. Charfi Chahnez Triki, Professor & Head of Neurology, Hedi Chaker hospital, Tunis, Tunisia

Dr. Eugen Trinka, Chair of Neurology Department, Paracelsus Medical University, Austria, Salzburg

Dr. Basim Uthman, Vice Chair & Professor, Clinical Neurology, Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar, Doha, Qatar

Dr. Khaled Zamel, Consultant Pediatric Neurologist and Clinical Neurophysiologist, Sidra Medical & Research Center, Doha, Qatar