

QATAR INTERNATIONAL EPILEPSY SCHOOL NOVEMBER 7TH-10TH, 2019

Dear colleagues,

As organizers of the Qatar international Epilepsy school, I would like to invite you to attend this important and well organized scientific and educational epilepsy course, which will be held in

November 2019 (7th-10th)

at

Bayt Al Dhiyafah,

Hamad Medical Corporation

Doha, Qatar

Qatar International Epilepsy School provides neurologists ,fellows ,neurology residents and all health practitioners taking care of people with epilepsy with a comprehensive epilepsy educational program. In this intensive course, the attendees will learn how to better treat their patients from some of the leading epileptology experts in the world. This week-long educational program facilitates learning through lectures and case-study workshops.

*“This activity is a Group Learning Activity (**with high CME >38 Hs**) as defined by the Qatar Council of Health Practitioners – Accreditation has been requested to QCHP”*

Looking forward to see you in Doha

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Course Principal

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Vice Course Principal

Dr. Ali A. Asadi-Pooya, MD, (USA-Iran)

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Guest Faculty and national speakers

Dr. Ali A. Asadi-Pooya, M.D., (USA-Iran),
Dr. Emilio Perucca, M.D., (Italy),
Dr. Thanos Covanis, M.D., (Greece),
Dr. PW Kaplan, M.D., (USA),
Dr. Mohamad Koubeissi, M.D., (USA),
Dr. Bernhard Schuknecht, M.D., (Switzerland),
Dr Torbjorn Tomson, MD, (Sweden),
Dr. Bassel Abou Khalil, M.D, (USA),
Dr Ruba Benini, M.D., (Canada),
Dr Naim Haddad, MD, (Qatar),
Dr. G. Alarcon, MD, (Qatar),
Dr Hassan Al Hail, MD, (Qatar),
Dr S. Surjith, MD, (Qatar),
Dr Gayane Melikyan, MD, (Qatar),
Dr B. Mesraoua, MD, (Qatar)

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this symposium participants will be able to:

- Classification of epilepsy
- Identify and define epilepsy symptoms
- Know and manage epilepsy and use of antiepileptic drugs
- Epilepsy in special situations: women
- Identify the principles of neuro-imaging in Epilepsy
- Management of Status Epilepticus
- Define surgical procedures and indications for pre-operative assessment for epilepsy surgery

Scientific Program

Day 7th November

07.00AM- 07.45AM	Registration and morning coffee	
07.45AM- 08.00AM	Opening Ceremony	Dr. B. Mesraoua, Qatar Dr. Hassan Al Hail, Qatar Dr. Dr. Ali A. Asadi-Pooya
08.00- 08.45 am	Epilepsy: Definitions, Classification	Dr. Gayane Melikyan, M.D., (Qatar)
08.45-09.00	Q & A	
09.00-09.45	Focal Epilepsies: semiology and diagnosis	Dr. Mohammed Koubeissi, M.D., (USA)
09.45-10.00	Q & A	
10.00 - 10.20 am	Coffee break	
10.20 – 11.05 am	Idiopathic Generalized Epilepsies: Clinical Characteristics and Treatment	Dr. Ali A. Asadi-Pooya, M.D., (USA)
11.05-11.20	Q & A	
11.20-12.05	Symptomatic Generalized Epilepsies: West Syndrome, Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome (Diagnosis and Treatment)	Dr. Thanos Covanis, M.D., (Greece)

12.05-12.20	Q & A	
12.20- 14.00	Lunch break	
AFTERNOON SESSIONS		
14.00-14.45	Symptomatic Generalized Epilepsies: Dravet Syndrome and Doose Syndrome (Diagnosis and Treatment)	Dr. Ruba Benini, M.D., (Canada)
14.45-15.00	Q & A	
15.00-15.45	Rolandic Epilepsy and Landau-Kleffner Syndrome (Diagnosis & Treatment)	Dr. Thanos Covanis, M.D., (Greece)
15.45-16.00	Q & A	

Day 8th November

07.00AM- 07.45AM	Registration and morning coffee	
08.00- 08.45 am	Treatment of Epilepsy with Antiepileptic Drugs: efficacy of AEDs in different seizures & epilepsy syndromes	Dr. Naim Haddad, MD, (Qatar)
08.45-09.00	Q & A	
09.00-09.45	AEDs: Monotherapy or Polytherapy and Rational Drug Therapy	Dr. Emilio Perucca, M.D., (Italy)

09.45-10.00	Q & A	
10.00-10.20 am	Coffee break	
10.20-11.05 am	Epilepsy Surgery in Drug-resistant Epilepsy: Presurgical evaluation and Localization	Dr. Bassel Abou Khalil, M.D, (USA)
11.05-11.20	Q & A	
11.20-12.05	Anti-epileptic Devices: VNS, RNS, DBS (Indications and Efficacy)	Dr. Mohammed Koubeissi, M.D., (USA)
12.05-12.20	Q & A	
12.20- 14.00	Lunch break	
AFTERNOON SESSIONS		
14.00-15.30 pm	Case presentations and discussion (3 attendees, each 10 min. & 20 min. discussions)	Dr. Ali A. Asadi-Pooya, USA Dr Ruba Benini, Canada Dr B. Mesraoua, Qatar Dr Hassan Al Hail, Qatar
15.30-16.15	Should Antiepileptic Drugs Be Withdrawn in Seizure-Free Patients (Medically treated & Surgically treated)?	Dr. Emilio Perucca, M.D., (Italy)
16.15-16.30	Q & A	

Day 9th November

07.00AM-07.45AM	Registration and morning coffee	
08.00-08.45 am	Epilepsy in Women	Dr. Torbjorn Tomson, M.D., (Sweden)
08.45-09.00	Q & A	
09.00 – 09.45 am	Autoimmune Epilepsies	Dr. Bassel Abou Khalil, M.D., (USA)
09.45-10.00	Q & A	
10.00 - 10.20 am	Coffee break	
10.20-11.50	Case presentations and discussions (3 attendees, each 10 min. & 20 min. discussions)	Dr Torbjorn Tomson, Sweden Dr Alarcon, Qatar Dr Gayane Melikyan, Qatar Dr Bassel Abou Khalil, USA
11.50- 19.00	Lunch and excursion at Banana Island	

Day 10th November

07.00AM-07.45AM	Registration and morning coffee	Speakers
08.00-08.45 am	Convulsive Status Epilepticus: Diagnosis & Management	Dr. PW Kaplan, M.D., (USA)
08.45-09.00	Q & A	
09.00-09.45	Non-Convulsive Status Epilepticus: Diagnosis & Management	Dr. B. Mesraoua, M.D., (Qatar)
09.45-10.00	Q & A	
10.00 - 10.20 am	Coffee break	
10.20 – 11.05 am	Psychogenic Nonepileptic Seizures: Diagnosis & Treatment	Dr. Ali A. Asadi-Pooya, M.D., (USA)
11.05-11.20	Q & A	
11.20-12.20	Case presentations and discussions (2 attendees, each 10 min. & 20 min. discussions)	Dr PW Kaplan, USA Dr B. Mesraoua, Qatar Dr Naim Haddad, MD, Qatar Dr. G. Alarcon, MD, Qatar
12.20- 14.00	Lunch break	
AFTERNOON SESSIONS		

14.00-14.45	Imaging in Epilepsy: Structural (MRI) and Functional Neuroimaging (PET: positron emission tomography, SPECT: single photon emission computed tomography)	Dr. Bernhard Schuknecht, M.D., (Switzerland) Dr. S. Surjith, M.D., (Qatar)
14.45-15.00	Q & A	
15.00-16.30	Dramas in Epilepsy; Special session <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Depression & suicide in epilepsy: Dr. Ali Asadi-Pooya, USA 2. Injuries in epilepsy: Dr. Torbjorn Tomson, Sweden 3. Mortality in epilepsy: Dr. Bassel Abou Khalil, USA 	Each speaker prepares a minireview including 1000 words and 15 references.
16.30-17.00	Closing Ceremony	