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18th San Servolo Advanced Epilepsy Course

Bridging Basic with Clinical Epileptology (7) Accelerating translation in epilepsy research

July 19– 30, 2021 San Servolo (Venice) Italy

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The main objective of the 7th edition of the Advanced Epilepsy Course Bridging Basic with Clinical Epileptology is to train attendees to improve the critical competence necessary to design an effective research project/activity in the field of epilepsy. The Course is addressed to neuroscientists, neurologists and other professionals with a documented background in epilepsy research. Lectures on general and specific topics will be interspersed with interactive seminars, workshops, and breakout sessions where small groups of attendees and faculty will be involved in tutorials. The main focus of the Course is the preparation of a project on a subject defined and assigned by the Course Directors. Groups of 6-8 students are formed at the beginning of the Course; each group will develop a research project under the supervision of two tutors. The progress of the project will be evaluated daily during group discussions with tutors. Each research project will be collectively discussed and evaluated during the last day of the Course.

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Course Program

July 20, 2020					
6.30 pm	registration				
7.30 pm	welcome buffet dinner				
Day 1– July 21 –					
8.30 -8.40 am	Welcome of ISNV President and Introduction to the Course	F. Paladin, G. Avanzini, M. deCurtis			
8.40-9.20 am	Epilepsy and seizure classifications	Nico Moshé			
9.20-10.00 am	Generalized epilepsies and seizures	Giuliano Avanzini			
10.00-10.40 am	Focal epilepsies and seizures	Pete Engel			
10.40-11.00 am co	offee break				
11.00-11.40 am	Early life epilepsies and seizures	Helen Cross			
11.40-12.20 am	What do models model?	Ed Bertram			
12.20am-1.00 pm	Gender and age issues in epilepsy	Nico Moshé			
1.15-2.30 pm lunc	h				
2.30-3.10 pm	Ictogenesis	Marco de Curtis			
3.10-3.50 pm	Neurons in epilepsy	Premsyl Jiruska			
3.50-4.30 pm	Local circuits and neurons in epilepsy	Christophe Bernard			
4.30 -5.10 pm	Genes in epilepsy	Jeff Noebels			
5.30	Group announcement and first meeting				
6.30 -7.00 am	While in Venice: dos and don'ts	Valentina Guarino			
Day 2— July 22—					
8.30 -9.10 am	Epileptogenesis	Asla Pitkänen			
9.10-9.50 am	Status epilepticus	Eugen Trinka			
9.50-10.30 am	Glia, BBB and inflammation	Annamaria Vezzani			
10.30-11.00 am co	offee break				
11.00-11.40 am	Blood-brain barrier and epileptogenesis	Nicola Marchi			
11.40am-12.20	System biology in epilepsy	Liisi Laaniste			
12.20am-1.10 pm	Imaging seizure activity	Premsyl Jiruska			
1.00-2.30 pm lunch					
2.30-4.30 pm	Practical session: Neurophysiology	Vadym Gnatkovsky			
4.30-5.30 pm	Neurophysiological monitoring in epilepsies (incl stereo-EEG)	Laura Tassi			
Day 3– July 23 -					
8.30 -9.10 am	Neurophysiological monitoring in pediatric epilepsies	Nico Moshe			
9.10-9.50 am	Neuropathology of the epilepsies	Rita Garbelli			
9.50-10.30	Structural and functional neuroimaging in epilepsies	Elio Maccagnano			
10.30-11.00 am co	offee break				
11.00-11.40 am	Clinical pharmacology for epilepsies	Terence O'Brien			
11.40-12.20 am	Special treatment options (eg. immune, diets, etc.)	Helen Cross			
12.20am-1.00 pm	Drug resistant epilepsy	Heidrun Potschka			
1.00-2.30 pm lunc	.h				
2.30-3.10 pm	Epilepsy surgery: indications and protocols	Laura Tassi			
3.10-3.50 pm	Neuromodulation / emerging therapies	Matthew Walker			

4.00-6.00 pm	Practical session: discussion of cases/issues proposed by the	students
Day 4– July 24 –	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
8.30 -9.10 am	The need of biomarkers	Michele Simonato
9.10-9.50 am	Circulating and imaging biomarkers	Asla Pitkanen
9.50-10.30	Neurophysiology biomarkers	Pete Engel
10.30-11.00 am co	offee break	
11.00-11.40 am	Epilepsy as a complex disease	Rod Scott
	Networks and systems in epilepsy	Giuliano Avanzini
11.40-12.20 am	The virtual brain	Christophe Bernard
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2.30-4.30 pm	Group meetings	
6.00-6.30 pm	Remembering Metella Paterlini	
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Day 5– July 25 – STU	DY DESIGN and FUNDING/CAREER OPPORTUNITIES	
8.30 -9.10 am	Preclinical therapy screening: gaps, initiatives, new directions	Aristea Galanopoulou
9.10-9.50 am	Multicenter preclinical studies	Terry O'Brien
9.50-10.30	Epilepsy-related comorbidities - neurobiology, networks and translation (including CDEs)	Andrey Mazarati
10.30-11.00 am co	offee break	
11.00-11.40 am	Is this a seizure?	Aristea Galanopoulou
11.40-12.30 am	How to write a grant	C. Bernard and H. Cross
12.30 am -2.00 pm	lunch	
2.00-4.30 pm	Practical session: Neuroanatomy	Rita Garbelli
5.20 pm	PANEL SESSION: grant opportunities presentations with Q&A	
Day 6– July 26		
9.00 -09.45 am	PANEL : Charities & the role of people living with epilepsy	Francesca Sofia and others
09.45-10.30 am	Systematic reviews and MA	Michele Simonato
	Practical session: Camarades: Systematic reviews and MA	Michele Simonato
10.30-11.00 am co	offee break	
Evening aperitivo	Career development and leadership training	P. Jiruska, H. Cross, E. Bertram
Day 7-10 - July 27-30		
all day	Group work	
Day 11 – July 31		
8.30-12.30 am	Working group presentations: - 45 minutes per group	all tutors
2.00 pm	Metella Prize winner and end of the Course	







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