

NEUROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA (NASA) 2024 CONGRESS

MONTE BELLO ESTATE, BLOEMFONTEIN
 Wednesday 17 April - Saturday 20 April 2024
 PROGRAMME (subject to change)

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL

PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOPS

09:30 - 10:00	Registration for morning workshops	
		MORNING PARALLEL WORKSHOPS
10:00 - 13:00	Workshop 1 (Neuro-ophthalmology) <i>Chair: Prof Anand Moodley (UKZN)</i> Visual fields: how to test them clinically, read the printouts, and interpret them	Venue: Piccola Prof Jason Barton (Canada)
11:15 - 11:30	Tea/Coffee Eye movements: a test-yourself quiz	
10:00 - 13:00	Workshop 2 (Muscle diseases) <i>Chair: Dr Neville Auths (UFS)</i> Part 1: A case-based practical approach to various muscles diseases with reference to relevant special investigations	Venue: Maize Prof Pierre Bill, Prof Franco Henning (SA)
11:15 - 11:30	Tea/Coffee Part 2: Approach to myalgia and rhabdomyolysis	Prof Franco Henning (SA)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch for all workshop delegates Registration for afternoon workshop	

AFTERNOON WORKSHOP

14:00 - 17:00	Workshop 3 (Ethics) <i>Chair: Dr Liesl Smit (UFS)</i>	Venue: Piccola
14:00 - 14:45	The impaired physician	Dr Indhrin Chetty (SA)
14:45 - 14:55	Q&A	
14:55 - 15:10	Tea/Coffee	
15:10 - 15:55	Ethics in palliative care	Dr Dalene van Jaarsveld (SA)
15:55 - 16:05	Q&A	
16:05 - 16:50	Legal implications of social media	Ms Elsabe Klinck (SA)
16:50 - 17:00	Q&A	

17:15 REGISTRATION FOR MAIN CONGRESS OPENS Exhibition Hall - Vecchia

OFFICIAL OPENING & COCKTAIL FUNCTION Exhibition Hall - Vecchia

17:45	Official welcome	Dr Liesl Smit (SA)
18:00	Welcome Cocktail Function	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia

THURSDAY 18 APRIL

TRADE SPONSORED BREAKFAST SYMPOSIA (OPEN TO ALL REGISTERED DELEGATES)

07:15 - 08:15	Roche Symposium <i>Chair: Dr Innocentia Diale</i> Ethical issues and treatment availability for SMA in SA	Venue: Piccola Dr Sharika Raga (SA)
07:15 - 08:15	Merck Symposium <i>Chair: Dr Dominic Giampaolo</i> Updated 2023 MENACTRIMS Guidelines for treatment of Multiple Sclerosis: Role of IRTs in the MS treatment algorithm	Venue: Maize Prof Bassem Yamout (UAE) - virtual
08:30 - 10:30	SESSION 1: <i>Chairs: Prof Franco Henning (SU) and Dr Liesl Smit (UFS)</i>	Venue: Vista
08:30 - 09:10	Acute Peripheral Neuropathies	Dr Michelle Kvalsund (USA) PNS
09:10 - 09:50	Subacute optic neuropathy: beyond optic neuritis	Prof Jason Barton (Canada)
09:50 - 10:30	Centronuclear myopathies in SA	Dr Sharika Raga (SA)
10:30 - 11:00	Tea/Coffee	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia
11:00 - 13:00	SESSION 2: <i>Chairs: Prof Andre Mochan (WITS) and Dr Neville Auths (UFS)</i>	Venue: Vista
11:00 - 11:40	MMN and its mimics	Dr Sarah Berth (USA) PNS
11:40 - 12:10	Patient selection for reperfusion treatments in resource limited settings	Dr Patty Francis (SA)
12:10 - 12:50	Clinical features and immunopathogenesis of autoimmune encephalitis	Dr Adam Handel (UK)
12:50 - 13:00	Fast Heroes	Ms Renathe van der Merwe (SA)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia
13:00 - 14:00	Poster Viewing	Vista
14:00 - 16:00	SESSION 3: <i>Chairs: Prof Lawrence Tucker (UCT) and Dr Carin Behrens van Tonder (UFS)</i>	Venue: Vista
14:00 - 14:40	Neurology in Zambia: Developing stroke systems of care	Dr Deanna Saylor (Zambia)

14:40 - 15:20	Autoimmune associated epilepsy	Dr Adam Handel (UK)
15:20 - 16:00	The role of neuromodulation in the management of migraine	Dr Stewart Tepper (US)
16:00 - 16:30	Tea/Coffee	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia
16:30 - 17:30	NASA AGM	Venue: Vista

TRADE SPONSORED DINNER SYMPOSIA (OPEN TO ALL REGISTERED DELEGATES)

17:45 - 19:15	Macleods Symposium Chair: Wouter Lombard Is the distinction between focal and generalised epilepsy useful in practice?	Venue: Maize Dr James Butler (SA)
17:45 - 19:15	Abbvie Symposium Chair: Dr Sarishen Govender Improving the management of spasticity after stroke: Intervention, ongoing care, and multidisciplinary approach	Venue: Piccola Prof Andre Mochan (SA)
19:30	Invited Speakers Dinner (by invitation only)	

FRIDAY 19 APRIL

TRADE SPONSORED BREAKFAST SYMPOSIA (OPEN TO ALL REGISTERED DELEGATES)

07:15 - 08:15	Novartis Symposium Chair: Dr Neville Auths Differentiating CD20 therapies & Future Therapeutic Strategies	Venue: Piccola Prof Heinz Wiendl (Germany) - Virtual
07:15 - 08:15	Medtronic Symposium Chair: Nicola Potgieter 5 new things in Neuromodulation	Venue: Maize Dr Riaan van Coller

08:30 - 10:30 SESSION 4: **Venue: Vista**

Chairs: Dr Dominic Giampaulo (NASA EXCO) and Dr Neville Auths (UFS)		
08:30 - 09:10	The psychiatric features of autoimmune encephalitis	Dr Adam Handel (UK)
09:10 - 09:50	Comprehensive care of the medically immunosuppressed neurology patient	Prof Sam Potgieter (SA)
09:50 - 10:30	Motor Neuron Disease, pitfalls in clinical diagnosis and EMG	Dr Sarah Berth (USA) PNS
10:30 - 11:00	Tea/Coffee	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia

11:00 - 13:00 SESSION 5: **Venue: Vista**

Chairs: Prof Anand Moodley (UKZN) and Dr Carin Behrens van Tonder (UFS)		
11:00 - 11:40	The optic chiasm: more than X marks the spot	Prof Jason Barton (Canada)
11:40 - 12:20	The use of EMG to determine prognosis of disease	Dr Michelle Kvalsund (USA) PNS
12:20 - 13:00	SWI MRI in Neurology	Dr Shalen Misser (SA)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia
13:00 - 14:00	Poster Viewing	Vista

14:00 - 16:15 SESSION 6: ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS (ORAL- AND POSTER) **Venue: Vista**

14:00- 15:00 **ORALS (10 mins per presentation, 1 min for Q&A) **Venue: Vista****

Adjudicators: Prof Anand Moodley (UKZN) and Dr Riaan van Coller (UP)

1	What do women with epilepsy know about epilepsy?	Dr Geneva Baloyi (TBC)
2	Barriers to thrombolysis for acute ischaemic stroke at a large Johannesburg hospital	Dr Dirkina Ehlers (WITS)
3	Analysis of the Clinical and Radiological Characteristics, Management and Outcome of Patients with Wake-Up Strokes at Steve Biko Academic Hospital (SBAH)	Dr Yair Katz (UP)
4	TB Meningitis – a continued diagnostic challenge in an endemic region	Dr Pogishe Makgoga (SMU)
5	The Role of Atherosclerosis in HIV-associated Vasculopathy in Young South African Stroke Patients	Dr Eitzaz Sadiq (WITS)

15:00 - 16:00 **POSTERS (3 mins for presentation, 1 min for Q&A) **Venue: Vista****

Adjudicators: Prof Andre Mochan (WITS) and Dr Pearl Thomas (SU)

1	Opsoclonus Myoclonus Ataxia Syndrome	Dr Hani Abdelmagid (UFS)
2	Changing the landscape of ALS in Africa	Dr Niki Floudiotis (UCT)
3	Mutational profile of congenital myasthenic syndrome in South Africa	Dr Niki Floudiotis (UCT)
4	Myelin oligodendrocyte glycoprotein antibody-associated disease (MOGAD) and Human Immunodeficiency virus infection: dilemmas in diagnosis and management	Dr Yohane Gadama (SU)
5	Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorder in 3 tertiary centres in Johannesburg: clinical characteristics and relapse rates	Dr Jerry George (WITS)
6	Lafora body disease case report: A classic presentation of a rare disease	Dr Wesley Green (IALCH)
7	Stroke, HIV and the Immune Reconstitution Inflammatory Syndrome in the absence of opportunistic infections	Dr Sarah Katzew (WITS)
8	Bronze Blindness: a rare presentation of X-Linked Adrenoleukodystrophy	Dr Jason Long (UFS)
9	Young men, Wasted hands : Two cases of Hirayama Disease	Dr Keitumetse Manoko (WITS)
10	A case of Silk Road Sickness in South Africa	Dr Benjamin van Niekerk (UFS)
11	TNF- α antagonists in Patients with Complicated Spinal Tuberculosis: A Retrospective Review of A case-control study of a public and a private hospital Four Patients treated at a Tertiary Level Hospital in South Africa	Dr Yashvir Rugbeer (UCT)
12	Risk factors for post-stroke pneumonia at Steve Biko Academic Hospital (SBAH)	Dr Joseph Sesane (UP)
13	Diagnostic Eye Tracking Study (DETS): Detection of subtle and subclinical eye movement aberrations	Dr Celestina Solomon (UKZN)

14	Comparison of medication use among patients with psychogenic non-epileptic seizures: A case-control study of a public and a private hospital	Mrs Gabriele Vilyte (SU)
16:00 - 16:30	Tea/Coffee	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia
19:00	NASA FESTIVAL	Venue: Lapa

SATURDAY 20 APRIL

TRADE SPONSORED BREAKFAST SYMPOSIUM (OPEN TO ALL REGISTERED DELEGATES)

07:00 - 07:50	Sun Pharma Symposium <i>Chair: Dr Elmarie Janse van Rensburg</i> The drug treatment of epilepsy: What have we achieved so far, and what is next?	Venue: Vista Prof Emilio Perucca (Aus)
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08:00 - 10:00	SESSION 7: <i>Chairs: Dr Liesl Smit (UFS)</i>	Venue: Vista
08:00 - 08:40	Neuroradiology of dementia	Dr Shalen Misser (SA)
08:40 - 09:20	Ethics and the cognitively impaired	Prof Dana Niehaus (SA)
09:20 - 10:00	Managing patients with advanced Parkinsonism	Dr Riaan van Coller (SA)
10:00 - 10:30	Tea/Coffee	Exhibition Hall - Vecchia

10:30 - 13:10	SESSION 8 <i>Chairs: Dr Neville Auths (UFS) and Dr Carin Behrens van Tonder (UFS)</i>	Venue: Vista
10:30 - 11:00	Developing a neurology curriculum in Zambia	Dr Deanna Saylor (Zambia)
11:00 - 11:40	Brain death: SA guidelines	Prof Nadiya Ahmed (SA)
11:40 - 12:20	Managing the complex epilepsy patient	Prof Emilio Perucca (Aus)
12:20 - 13:00	Functional movement disorders	Dr Riaan van Coller (SA)
13:00 - 13:10	Closing	Dr Liesl Smit (SA)
	Lunch & Departures	Venue: Vista Foyer