

New aspects of diagnosis, pathology and treatment of Multiple Sclerosis

FRIDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2016

- 08.00 – 08.10** **Welcome**
David Miller (London, UK), Bassem Yamout (Beirut, LB)
- 08.10 – 10.10** **Session 1 - Diagnostic challenges**
Chairs: Saeed Bohlega (Riyadh, SA), Per Soelberg Sørensen (Copenhagen, DK)
- 08.10 MRI in the diagnosis and differential diagnosis of MS
David Miller (London, UK)
- 08.50 The radiologically isolated syndrome
Mona Alkhawaja (Riyadh, SA)
- 09.30 Mimickers and differential diagnosis of MS
Bassem Yamout (Beirut, LB)
- 10.10 – 10.30** **Coffee break**
- 10.30 – 11.50** **Session 2 - Pathology, immunology and epidemiology**
Chairs: Riadh Gouider (Tunis, TN), Xavier Montalban (Barcelona, ES)
- 10.30 New aspects of pathology of early and late course of MS
Samuel Ludwin (Kingston, CA)
- 11.10 New aspect of immunopathogenesis of MS
Bernhard Hemmer (Munich, DE)
- 11.50 – 14.00** **Lunch break and time for Friday Prayers**
- 14.00 – 15.45** **Workshops (repeated 3 times)**
- Workshop 1: Initiation of therapy: When, who, how?
Xavier Montalban (Barcelona, ES)
- Workshop 2: Precision therapy: switching and escalation of therapy
Tobias Derfuss (Basel, CH)
- Workshop 3: Safety and monitoring of DMTs
Hany Aref (Cairo, EG)
- Each workshop will take place: 14.00 – 14.35, 14.35 – 15.10, 15.10 – 15.45*
- 15.45 – 16.05** **Coffee break**
- 16.05 – 18.05** **Session 3 - Update on progressive MS therapy, epidemiology and therapeutic challenges in the Middle East & North Africa region**
Chairs: David Miller (London, UK), Bassem Yamout (Beirut, LB)
- 16.05 Treatment of progressive MS
Per Soelberg Sørensen (Copenhagen, DK)
- 16.45 Changing epidemiology of MS in the Middle East & North Africa region
Suzanne Abdel Rahman (Sharjah, AE)
- 17.25 Therapeutic challenges in the Middle East & North Africa region
Raed Alroughani (Kuwait City, KW)
- 18.05 – 18.15** **Wrap up and Goodbye**
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