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
Raed Alroughani (Kuwait City, KW), Per Soelberg Sørensen (Copenhagen, DK)