12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress

June 28th – July 1st 2018

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WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we announce that the 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress (AOEC) will take place in Bali, Indonesia from the 28th June to the 1st July 2018 and we cordially invite you to join us for what is expected to be the most important gathering in the region for all those working in the field of epilepsy in 2018.

The programme will cover cutting-edge lectures by the world’s top scientists and epileptologists with the main sessions focusing on “Personalized medicine in epilepsy”, “Epilepsy surgery in patients with normal MRI”, “Infections of the nervous system and epilepsy” and “Genetic investigations in epileptic encephalopathies”. Along with a carefully selected balance of post main, parallel and practical sessions and excellent workshops and didactic lectures provided by ASEPA, this promises to be an exceptional congress.

There is a strong emphasis on high quality platform and poster presentations and we encourage you all to prepare your work for abstract submission.

Bali is an Indonesian island famed for its beauty with forested volcanic mountains, iconic rice paddies and coral reefs. There is an endless sense of peacefulness from the magnificent temples, meditation centres and the compelling smiles of the local people. It is renowned for its highly developed arts, including traditional dance, sculpture, painting, leather, metalworking and music and everyone will be impressed with the standard of cuisine. It is the perfect backdrop for the 12th AOEC.

We look forward to seeing you and your colleagues in Bali in June.

With our best wishes,

Kurnia KUSUMASTUTI
Co-chair, Scientific Organizing Committee
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Co-chair, Scientific Organizing Committee
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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

MAIN SESSIONS
The Scientific Programme for the congress has been based on a comprehensive schedule of main sessions which are as follows:

THE CHAIRMEN’S SYMPOSIUM: PERSONALIZED MEDICINE IN EPILEPSY
Chairs: Kurnia KUSUMASTUTI (Indonesia), Byung-In LEE (South Korea) and Parthasarthy SATISHCHANDRA (India)
The concept and scope of personalized medicine in epilepsy - Samuel WIEBE (Canada)
Diagnostic models in the era of personalized medicine - Patrick KWAN (Australia)
Precision therapies through genomics - Sam BERKOVIC (Australia)
Precision medicine through stem cells - Shinichi HIROSE (Japan)

EPILEPSY SURGERY IN PATIENTS WITH NORMAL MRI
Chair: Tatsuya TANAKA (Japan) and Kheng-Seang LIM (Malaysia)
Approach in resource-limited countries: to refer or to start? - Yotin CHINVARUN (Thailand)
Advances in MRI: is normal MRI really normal? - Greame JACKSON (Australia)
When can non-invasive monitoring be sufficient? - Byung-In LEE (South Korea)
Invasive monitoring: SDE ± depth or Stereo EEG? - Chong WONG (Australia)

INFECTIONS OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM AND EPILEPSY
Chair: John DUNNE (Australia) and Chong Tin TAN (Malaysia)
Emerging CNS infection and seizures - Chong Tin TAN (Malaysia)
Tuberculous meningitis and seizures; pathogenesis and management - U.K. MISRA (India)
Neurocysticercosis and seizures; evidence based management guidelines - Supoch TUNLAYADECHANONT (Thailand)
HIV infection and seizures - Parthasarthy SATISHCHANDRA (India)

GENETIC INVESTIGATIONS IN EPILEPTIC ENCEPHALOPATHIES
Chairs: Ingrid SCHEFFER (Australia) and Shinichi HIROSE (Japan)
The genetic landscape of the epileptic encephalopathies of infancy and childhood - Ingrid SCHEFFER (Australia)
Diagnostic value of gene panel testing in patients with epileptic encephalopathies - Hoon-Chul KANG (South Korea)
The application of whole-exome sequencing in patients with epileptic encephalopathies - Yuwu JIANG (China)
Detection of low-level somatic mutations and mosaicism for genetic investigation of epileptic encephalopathies - Sangwoo KIM (South Korea)

POST MAIN SESSIONS
The main sessions of the congress will be supplemented by topical post main sessions which are as follows:

LOCALIZATION OF FOCAL EPILEPSY ZONE AND NETWORK
Chair: Ding DING (China)
Epileptogenic zone vs epileptic network: competitive or complementary? - Kheng-Seang LIM (Malaysia)
Understanding focal epilepsy zone via seizure semiology - Suryani GUNADHARMA (Indonesia)
Understanding focal epilepsy zone via source imaging - Jean GOTMAN (Canada)
Understanding epileptic network via connectivity analysis - Yuping WANG (China)

AUTOIMMUNITY AND SEIZURES
Chair: Sang Kun LEE (South Korea)
Autoimmune encephalitis: an expanding frontier - Liying CUI (China)
Update on NMDAR & LGI1 encephalitis - Suhailah ABDULLAH (Malaysia)
Diagnostic challenges of autoimmune encephalitis: when Ab is negative in patients with positive clinical features and vice versa - Gagandeep SINGH (India)
Immunotherapy and seizure outcome in autoimmune encephalitis – Amy QUEK (Singapore)

DRAVET SYNDROME
Chair: Shinichi HIROSE (Japan)
Semiology of Dravet syndrome - Derrick CHAN (Singapore)
Genetics of Dravet syndrome - Hyo Jeong KIM (South Korea)
Phenotype and genotype correlation in Dravet syndrome - Atsushi ISHII (Japan)
Therapeutic strategies for Dravet syndrome - Xiuyu SHI (Japan)
PARALLEL SESSIONS
Parallel sessions have been selected so that anyone with an interest in epilepsy can attend any of the sessions. They are as follows:

BIOMARKERS OF EPILEPSY: WHAT APPROACHES DO WE HAVE?
Chair: Akio IKEDA (Japan)
- Functional network as biomarkers for epileptogenicity - Yuping WANG (China)
- EEG biomarkers for neuron and glia - Akio IKEDA (Japan)
- Genetic biomarkers - Anna SINARDJA (Indonesia)
- Biomarker or clinical information: that is the question - Kurupath RADHAKRISHNAN (India)

IMAGING IN EPILEPSY
Chair: Graeme JACKSON (Australia)
- Assessing white matter and white matter tracts in the brain; current standards and future possibilities - Alan CONNELLY (Australia)
- Imaging (PET SPECT and MRI) in the preoperative assessment of the patient with epilepsy - Masaki IWASAKI (Japan)
- Preoperative assessment of cortical function using fMRI - Manjari TRIPATHI (India)
- Application of image-processing techniques in MRI-negative epilepsy - Yee-Leng TAN (Singapore)

REFLEX EPILEPSY
Chair: Andrew BLEASEL (Australia)
- Reflex seizures and reflex epilepsy, the clinical spectrum - John DUNNE (Australia)
- Are all reflex seizures focal? Triggers and networks - John ARCHER (Australia)
- The challenges of photosensitivity - Heung Dong KIM (South Korea)
- The genetic basis of reflex epilepsies - Sanjib SINHA (India)

RECENT ADVANCES IN PSYCHOGENIC NON-EPILEPTIC SEIZURES
Chair: Kousuke KANEMOTO (Japan)
- Epidemiology - Roderick DUNCAN (New Zealand)
- Imaging studies - Dong ZHOU (China)
- Diagnosis - Hsiang-Yu YU (Taiwan)
- Treatment - Kousuke KANEMOTO (Japan)

UPDATE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF STATUS EPILEPTICUS
Chair: Shih Hui LIM (Singapore) and Diah Kurnia MIRAWATI (Indonesia)
- Outcome of SE – Colin LUI (Hong Kong)
- ILAE classification of SE: rationale and clinical advantage - Eugen TRINKA (Austria)
- ICU monitoring of SE - TBA
- Management and outcome of super-refractory SE - Tusher D. GOSAVI (Singapore)

ADVANCES IN THE TREATMENT OF EPILEPSY
Chair: Martin BRODIE (United Kingdom)
- Early employment of polytherapy in PWE - Byung-In LEE (South Korea)
- Neurromodulation - Sarat CHANDRA (India)
- Repurpose drugs in epilepsy - Steve CHUNG (USA)
- Antiepileptogenic therapy; is it possible? - Emilio PERUCCA (Italy)

OVERCOMING EPILEPSY CARE AND EDUCATION CHALLENGES WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES
Chair: Nobukazu NAKASATO (Japan)
- High definition TV conference system improves community health care and medical education in low population density areas - Josephine CHAN (Australia)
- International medical education for epileptology via a high definition TV conference system - Wijoyo HALIM (Indonesia)
- International teleconferencing between level-IV epilepsy centers - Hsiang-Yu YU (Taiwan)
- Outpatient clinic and case-based education via a high definition TV conference system - Yosuke KAKISAKA (Japan)

MANAGEMENT OF EPILEPSY WITH COMORBIDITIES
Chair: Yao-Chung CHUANG (Taiwan)
- Epilepsy in patients with cerebrovascular disease - Man Mohan MEHNDIRATTA (India)
- Epilepsy in patients with dementia - Ennapadam S. KRISHNAMOORTHY (India)
- Epilepsy in patients with neurodevelopmental handicaps - Marilyn ORTIZ (Philippines)
- Epilepsy in patients with neuropsychiatric comorbidities - Astri BUDIKAYANTI (Indonesia)

PRACTICAL SESSIONS
These sessions provide an opportunity for important clinical issues to be reviewed, discussed and debated in an informal setting.

VIDEO SESSION: CASES OF DIAGNOSTIC CHALLENGES
Chairs: Ernie SOMERVILLE (Australia) and Zarine MOGAL (Pakistan)
Presenters: Ernie SOMERVILLE (Australia), Zarine MOGAL (Pakistan) and Christian ZENTNER (Australia)

VIDEO SESSION: SEEG IN EPILEPSY SURGERY FOR DEMONSTRATION
Chair: Guoming LUAN (China)
Presenters: Meng-yang WANG (China), Sarat CHANDRA (India) and Chong WONG (Australia)
Masakazu Seino, who passed away in 2007, devoted his life to the education of epilepsy in Asia. He organized the Commission on Asian and Oceanian Affairs (CAOA) and set up the Asian Epilepsy Academy (ASEPA) under the umbrella of ILAE. In 2008, the inaugural Masakazu Seino Memorial Lecture took place, where a keynote speaker delivers a topic of his or her choice in consultation with ASEPA.

EPILEPSY CARE: ISSUES RELATED TO WORK, LEISURE, UPBRINGING AND CULTURE
-Chong Tin TAN (Malaysia)
This lecture is kindly supported by UCB Japan

ASEPA DIDACTIC LECTURES
In a manner similar to recent AOEC meetings, the Scientific Organizing Committee aims to provide delegates with a series of didactic lectures which are an important axis of the congress. The lectures are organized by the Asian Epilepsy Academy (ASEPA) which is the educational arm of the Commission on Asian and Oceanian Affairs (CAOA). Five lectures pertaining to crucial aspects of contemporary epileptology will be presented as plenary sessions of the congress in order to provide the latest available information.

The lecturers are all world-renowned experts in their respective field. The fundamentals as well as state-of-the-art implications of the topics will be covered. The ASEPA believes a series of didactic lectures, delivered by eminent experts, will be able to provide participants with an efficient way of enriching their knowledge of the forefront of epileptology. All those who wish to attend any of these lectures are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the speakers and their work in advance of the session.

FIRST SEIZURE EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT: FACTS AND FICTION

WHAT KIND OF EPILEPSY IS IT AND DOES IT MATTER? (THE IMPORTANCE OF A PRECISE DIAGNOSIS)

THE CLINICAL UTILITY OF EEG IN EPILEPSY CARE

WOMEN WITH EPILEPSY (PREGNANCY, CONTRACEPTION, BREASTFEEDING)

KEEPING PATIENTS WITH EPILEPSY SAFE: AT HOME, SCHOOL AND THE WORKPLACE

Please note that the speakers for the ASEPA didactic lectures can be found on the 12th AOEC website.

ASEPA WORKSHOP
SHARING YOUR RESEARCH: PARTICIPATION, PRESENTATION AND PUBLICATION
- Preparing an abstract
- Writing a scientific paper
- Making a platform or poster presentation

CAOA TASK FORCE SESSIONS
In order to highlight the progress that the Task Forces of the Commission on Asian and Oceanian Affairs (CAOA) have made, each task force will organize a session showcasing pertinent topics for the region.

PAEDIATRIC TASK FORCE: EPILEPSIES CAUSED BY METABOLIC DISORDER
-Chairs: Heung Dong KIM (South Korea) and Simon HARVEY (Australia)

- Inborn errors of metabolism in childhood from infantile spasms and beyond - Yuwu JIANG (China)
- Glucose transporter-1 deficiency syndrome and related disorders - Ingrid SCHEFFER (Australia)
- Treatable metabolic epilepsy cases you do not want to miss - Se Hee KIM (South Korea)

RESEARCH TASK FORCE: RECENT STUDIES IN THE REGION
- Organizers: Akio IKEDA (Japan) and Chong Tin Tan (Malaysia)

- HLA in CBZ among ethnic Indians in Malaysia, Indonesia and Myanmar - Herlyani KHOSAMA (Indonesia)
- Perampanel on cortical myoclonus - Akio IKEDA (Japan)

Selected 12th AOEC Abstract Submission papers will also be showcased in this session

GLOBAL CAMPAIGN TASK FORCE: TBA
- Organizer: Ernie SOMERVILLE (Australia)

DEBATE: SHOULD MEDICAL MARJUANA BE RECOMMENDED FOR THE TREATMENT OF EPILEPSY?
-Moderator: Ingrid SCHEFFER (Australia)
- For - Helen CROSS (United Kingdom)  Against - Rhea SALONGA-QUIIMO (Philippines)

DEBATE: AEDS SHOULD USUALLY BE WITHDRAWN AFTER TWO YEARS OF SEIZURE FREEDOM
-Moderator: John DUNNE (Australia)
- For - Hirokazu OGUNI (Japan)  Against - H.V. SRINIVAS (India)

THE MASAKAZU SEINO MEMORIAL LECTURE
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**ADDITIONAL PROGRAMME INFORMATION**

**ASEPA EEG CERTIFICATION EXAMINATIONS – PART 1**
Part 1 (Written) ASEPA EEG Certification Examinations will be held on the morning of Thursday 28th June. Full details will shortly be announced on the congress website www.epilepsybali2018.org or alternatively you may contact lim.shih.hui@sgh.com.sg

**ASEPA PRE-CONGRESS TEACHING COURSES**
ASEPA are planning two highly interactive pre-congress teaching courses each focusing on key issues that face the epilepsy practitioner today. The teaching courses are informal seminars that involve a great deal of collaboration and discussion among students and faculty. The speakers are all internationally recognized experts in their fields whom you will also get the opportunity to meet.

There is a modest registration fee for each course, further supplemented if you register for the 12th AOEC too.

**EPILEPSY: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT**
Clinical features of different seizures types (and why it matters)
Differential diagnosis: common non-epileptic events
What tests are needed?
First seizure – when to treat and when not to treat?
Newly diagnosed epilepsy – providing essential education and advice
Newly diagnosed epilepsy – factors guiding AED treatment choices

**WHY AM I STILL HAVING SEIZURES? (THE PATIENT WITH CONTINUING SEIZURES)**
Is the diagnosis correct?
Problems with AED usage and possible solutions
AED polytherapy – factors guiding selections
Managing acute seizure exacerbations at home
Managing progressive or active pathology
Epilepsy surgery – when to consider?

**EPILEPSY AND SOCIETY SYMPOSIUM**
An exciting programme that will be of great interest to both individuals living with epilepsy and for staff from community organizations supporting people living with epilepsy is scheduled for Sunday 1st July. This symposium has been developed by local and regional committees of the International Bureau for Epilepsy (IBE). The programme will cover topics of practical interest to people with epilepsy and is complimented by extensive networking opportunities to meet friends old and new. Further details on this symposium will shortly be announced on www.epilepsybali2018.org

*Please note that there may be changes to the scientific programme; any changes will be updated on the congress website www.epilepsybali2018.org*

**ABSTRACTS AND AWARDS**

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**
The Abstract Review Committee of the 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress encourages all researchers and practitioners to consider contributing to the programme by submitting abstracts for platform and poster presentations. Abstracts must be submitted in English through the official website www.epilepsybali2018.org. Abstracts will not be accepted unless they are submitted according to the rules, instructions and format detailed on the website and are received by the congress secretariat before **21st February 2018**. Authors of accepted abstracts agree to attend the congress and present their oral communications or posters as scheduled.

Please contact the congress secretariat at bali@epilepsycongress.org if you experience any difficulties in using the online abstract submission system.

**BURSARIES**
The congress will provide assistance towards attendance at the 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress for a limited number of young researchers, physicians and other epilepsy care professionals from Asia and Oceania. Candidates should submit an abstract online at www.epilepsybali2018.org by **21st February 2018** and follow the instructions for bursary applications. Bursaries are also available for those that are unable to submit an abstract; regional IBE members are encouraged to apply for a bursary. Further details on the rules for bursary submission may be found on the congress website.

**TADOKORO BEST PRESENTATION PRIZE**
To encourage research in epileptology in the region, there will be best presentation prizes for both platform and poster presentations. The first and second prizes for both the platform and poster presentations are US$300 and US$200 respectively.
REGISTRATION

Registration is available online at www.epilepsybali2018.org from November 2017.

REGISTRATION FEES

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*Member Discount is applicable to members of ILAE and IBE Chapters registering as Regular or Special. In order to avail of the discount, the Chapter must have provided member details to the ILAE or IBE and must be up to date with Chapter dues. If the congress secretariat cannot verify the membership status, then the discount cannot be given. The member discount is not available to groups, pharmaceutical companies, commercial entities or sponsored registrations.

**The Special Rate is available to Trainee Doctors, Allied Health Professionals, Practice Nurses and Epilepsy Nurses. Any delegates applying for the Special Rate must upload to their user account, a letter, on official headed paper, dated, stamped and signed from the Head of their Department in order to prove their employment status.

***Subsidised Registration Fees (with no age limit) are available to nationals of the countries as defined by Group A of the ‘Hinari Access to Research in Health Programme’. The list of eligible countries in Group A can be found here: http://www.who.int/hinari/eligibility/en/. Nationals from Group B are not eligible for Subsidised Fees. All delegates applying for Special Subsidised Fees must email a copy of the passport to registration@epilepsycongress.org. The subsidised rate is not available to groups, pharmaceutical companies, commercial entities or sponsored registrations.

MEMBER & SUBSIDIZED RATES ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO GROUPS, PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES, COMMERCIAL ENTITIES OR SPONSORED REGISTRATIONS.

Registration Fees for the ASEPA Pre-Congress Workshops, Thursday 28th June 2018

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Useful Congress Information

CONGRESS DATES
The 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress is from Thursday 28th June to Sunday 1st July 2018.

LIABILITY AND INSURANCE
The congress organizers will not accept liability for personal injury or loss/damage to property/belongings of participants or accompanying persons, before, during or following the congress, tours or their stay in Bali. It is therefore recommended that participants arrange their own personal health, accident and travel insurance.

LUNCH AND COFFEE BREAKS
A light lunch and coffee breaks are included in the registration fee for both of the full days of the congress, namely Friday 29th and Saturday 30th June.

MAILING LIST
If you would like to be included on the congress mailing list in order to receive updates about the 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress, please contact us at bali@epilepsycongress.org or you can submit your contact details via the congress website www.epilepsybali2018.org.

SPONSORSHIP AND EXHIBITION
There are many opportunities for companies interested in supporting the 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress. Please contact the Sponsorship and Exhibition Manager by emailing bali@epilepsycongress.org as soon as possible.

THE 12TH AOEC CONGRESS SECRETARIAT
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VENUE
The venue for the 12th Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress is the Sanur Plaza Hotel which boasts a dedicated convention centre decorated in Balinese style.

Venue Address:
Sanur Plaza Hotel and Convention Centre
Jalan Hang Tuah no.46,
Sanur 80228 Bali, Indonesia
Website: www.spph.pphotels.com

WEBSITE:
www.epilepsybali2018.org

All details regarding the congress will be announced on the congress website as they become available. Abstract submission, registration and accommodation reservations will be processed via the website. Please refer to the website for scientific programme updates in the coming months. Details on other epilepsy congresses worldwide can be found at www.epilepsycongress.org.
WELCOME TO BALI
Bali captures not only what is special about Indonesia, but also has a uniqueness of its own. Being one of the most magnificent islands in Indonesia, Bali offers unrivalled natural beauty and a relaxed pace of life. The serenity of Hindu culture is reflected in day-to-day life and can be seen in its' numerous ceremonies, festivals, arts and crafts, traditional dance and distinctive music of the gamelan, array of architectural temples and palaces.

ACCOMMODATION
Accommodation in Bali caters for a variety of preferences with options from luxurious 5 star properties to respectable low-budget choices. Details on hotels in Bali will shortly be displayed on the congress website www.epilepsybali2018.org

CLIMATE
Being a tropical country, Indonesia has two distinct seasons, namely dry and rainy. Dry season usually occurs from June to September so expect abundant sunshine during the congress.

CURRENCY AND CREDIT CARDS
The Indonesian Rupiah (IDR) is the local currency, commonly also abbreviated to Rp. Denominations of Rp.100 and 100 are in the form of coins, 500 and 1,000 are in either coins or bills, and Rp.5,000, 10,000, 20,000, 50,000 and 100,000 are only available in bills.

IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS
Immigration and customs processes in Bali are evolving. Nationals from more than 140 countries can get a free visa (entry stamp), some have to pay for a Visa on Arrival, others have to apply for a visa in advance and there are now some countries that do not require a visa at all. Therefore you will need to check the official immigration website of Indonesia which is www.imigrasi.go.id as to the immigration rules for your country.

LANGUAGE
Balinese is a Malayo-Polynesian language spoken by those in Bali and the surrounding islands. Most Balinese speakers also know Indonesian and English is now widely understood. The official language of the congress is English.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT
With no trains, mini-buses (also known as bemos or colts) are the main mode of transport covering the island although not always taking the most direct route. Taxis tend to be the preferred option of non-residents and they are not expensive.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Abstract Submission opens 9th October 2017
Registration opens November 2017
Abstract Submission deadline 21st February 2018
Early Registration deadline 28th March 2018
Last Minute Registration deadline 16th June 2018
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