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AGENDA

Insights on Stroke & MS
27-28 May 2024
Hotel Emerald, Prishtina



DAY 1: STROKE, 27 May 2024

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00-9:00	Registration	
9:00-9:30	Welcome notes	
Session 1: Organizing a functional stroke care in Kosovo		
<i>Moderators: Serdar Geyik, Shkëndije Nuzaj, Muharrem Sadiku</i>		
9:30-9:45	Improving stroke care in Kosovo and implementation of Stroke Action Plan	Fisnik Jashari <i>University of Prishtina, Clinic of Neurology</i>
9:45-10:00	Differences in stroke care among European countries: Objectives of the Stroke Action Plan for Europe 2018-2030	Hanne Christensen <i>University of Copenhagen</i>
10:00-10:15	Recanalization therapy in University Clinical Center of Kosovo: The effect of training campaign for medical staff and prenotification	Pranvera Bytyqi Edita Malazogu <i>UCCK, Clinic of Neurology</i>
10:15-10:30	Stroke chain organization	Arsida Bajrami <i>Aydin University, Istanbul</i>
10:30-11:00	Panel Discussion: What stroke model of care fits better for Kosovo?	Afrim Blyta, Serdar Geyik, Arsida Bajrami, Fisnik Jashari
11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
Session 2: Acute stroke diagnosis and treatment		
<i>Moderators: Serdar Geyik, Shkëndije Nuzaj, Muharrem Sadiku</i>		
11:30-11:45	Neuroimaging in patients with acute stroke	Ardian Biqaku <i>UCCK, Clinic of Radiology</i>
11:45-12:00	Intravenous thrombolysis: Recommendations from the stroke guidelines	Blerim Myftiu <i>University of Prishtina, Clinic of Neurology</i>
12:00-12:30	Thrombectomy indications: Who to treat?	Arsida Bajrami <i>Aydin University, Istanbul</i>
12:30-13:00	Tips and tricks in thrombectomy	Serdar Geyik <i>Aydin University, Istanbul</i>
13:00-13:15	Patient management following thrombolysis and thrombectomy	Miralem Elezi Leart Rruka <i>UCCK, Clinic of Neurology</i>
13:15-13:40	Stroke in young patients	Melihate Pushka <i>UCCK, Clinic of Neurology</i>
13:40-14:00	Thrombectomy with or without thrombolysis?	Entela Basha <i>University of Tirana</i>
14:00-14:30	Panel discussion: Challenging case in acute stroke management	Serdar Geyik, Arside Bajrami, Ardian Biqaku, Dren Boshnjaku
Session 3: Guest lecture		
14:30-15:00	Why rare diseases are not rare in epileptology – Towards a targeted therapy in rare Epilepsies	Roland Renzel <i>Klinik Lengg AG</i>
15:00	Lunch	

DAY 2: MS, 28 May 2024

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00-9:00	Registration	
9:00-9:30	Welcome notes	
Moderators: Nexhmedin Shala		
9:10-9:30	The rationale for choosing between several high-efficacy treatment options	Thomas Berger <i>Medical University of Vienna</i>
9:30-9:50	The best treatment for each multiple sclerosis patient	Aksel Siva <i>Istanbul University Cerrahpasa</i>
9:50-10:10	The role of serum and cerebrospinal fluid biomarkers in diagnosing multiple sclerosis	Leonora Fisniku <i>Cambridge University Hospitals</i>
10:10-10:30	Discussion	
10:30-11:30	Satellite Symposium Roche (<i>If time is brain, then it is time to start Ocrelizumab in early RRMS</i>), moderated by Afrim Blyta Thomas Berger – Unlocking a decade of Ocrelizumab in RRMS patients - Early adoption for greater benefits (30') Igor Kuzmanovski – Clinical insights and experience with Ocrelizumab in North Macedonia (10') Blerim Myftiu – Clinical insights and experience with Ocrelizumab in Kosovo (10') Q&A (10')	
11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
Session 2: Smouldering MS, compliance to treatment, and NMOSD		
Moderators: Melihate Pushka & Blerim Myftiu		
11:45-12:15	Satellite Symposium Merck , moderated by Afrim Blyta Slobodan Vojinovic – Cladribine, Innovation in clinical practice, key efficacy and safety data (15') Melihate Pushka – Cladribine, how to choose the right patient (10') Q&A (10')	
12:15-12:35	Is PIRA a new concept or is it something we always knew?	Murat Terzi <i>19 Mayis University, Samsun</i>
12:35-12:55	Compliance with DMTs and its impact on MS patient outcome	Jera Kruja <i>Medical University of Tirana, QSU Tirana</i>
12:55-13:15	Discussion	
13:15-13:30	Coffee break	
13:30-13:50	Treatment of NMOSD: Symptoms, challenges, and therapeutic landscape	Tatjana Petkovska Boshkova <i>University Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Skopje</i>
13:50-14:20	Satellite Symposium Novartis Edmond Komoni - Ofatumumab, a new alternative for people with multiple sclerosis (15') Fisnik Jashari - Secondary progressive multiple sclerosis, treatment with Siponimod (15')	
14:20-15:00	Panel discussion and closing remarks Thomas Berger, Aksel Siva, Jera Kruja, Murat Terzi, Leonora Fisniku, Tatjana Petkovska Boshkova, Afrim Blyta	
15:00	Lunch	