



I P O K R a T E S

Clinical Seminar

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Neonates at risk for brain injury and their neurodevelopmental follow-up

OBJECTIVES

IPOKRATES seminars provide high-quality postgraduate education which enables professionals to keep abreast of the most recent developments, and offer participants the opportunity to discuss clinical problems or scientific issues personally with international experts. This seminar deals with:

1. Understanding the basic mechanisms of brain injury and plasticity in neonates.
2. Learning about the electrophysiological as well as clinical spectrum of neonatal seizures and their treatment
3. Learning about different clinical assessment methods
4. Discussing the benefits of systematical neurodevelopmental follow-up

LECTURERS

Cioni G	Stella Maris Scientific Institute and University of Pisa, Pisa, Italy
Haataja L	University of Turku and Turku University Hospital, Turku, Finland
Hack M	Case Western Reserve University, University Hospitals of Cleveland, Ohio, USA
Judas M	Croatian Institute for Brain Research, University of Zagreb, Croatia
Lehtonen L	Turku University Hospital, Turku, Finland
Mercuri E	Catholic University, Rome, Italy and Imperial College, Hammersmith Hospital, London, UK
Mizrahi E	Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, USA

DATE September 11 - 13, 2008; starts at 09:00 a.m.

PLACE PharmaCity, Itäinen Pitkätatu 4 B, Turku, Finland


LIMITED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 60

Please Note: Only registered participants, NO on site registration!

PROGRAM DESIGN Neubauer D and Haataja L

TARGET GROUPS Pediatric Neurologists, Neonatologists, Pediatricians, Neurophysiologists

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			after August 1, 2008	€ 350.-
	TWIN Participation	Registration	before July 31, 2008	€ 500.-
			after August 1, 2008	€ 600.-



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PROGRAM

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2008

The Concepts of "Brain Injury" and "at Risk"

09:00	Welcome Address	Haataja L
09:15	Prenatal and Postnatal Development of Human Cortex	Judas M
10:15	How to define Children who are "at Risk"?	Hack M
11:30	<i>Break</i>	
12:00	What happens at Cell Level in Perinatal Brain Damage?	Judas M
13:00	<i>Lunch Time</i>	
14:00	Epidemiology of Cerebral Palsy	Hack M
15:00	Neonatal Cerebral Infarction	Mercuri E
15:45	Refreshments	
16:00	Brain Plasticity	Judas M
17:00	<i>End</i>	

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2008

Neonatal Seizures

09:00	Neonatal Seizures: Characterization, Classification and Clinical Recognition	Mizrahi E
10:00	Neonatal Seizures: Etiology, Treatment and Prognosis	Mizrahi E
11:00	<i>Break</i>	
11:30	EEG, CFM and EEG-Video Monitoring in At-Risk Neonates	Mizrahi E
13:00	<i>Lunch Time</i>	

Clinical Assessment Tools

14:00	Can Neurological Scores Predict outcome?	Haataja L
15:00	Other Approaches to Neurological Assessment: the GM Assessment	Cioni G
15:45	<i>Break</i>	
16:00	Visual Function in Children with Neonatal Brain Lesions	Mercuri E
19:30	<i>Dinner</i>	

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2008

09:00	"Early Intervention in the NICU: Molecular and Clinical Evidences"	Cioni G
10:00	Improving Performance in Neonatal Care – Neurodevelopmental Follow-up as a Tool	Lehtonen L
11:00	<i>Break</i>	
11:30	Follow-up of very low Birth Weight Babies to Adulthood; the Lessons to be learnt	Hack M
12:45	<i>Closing of the Meeting</i>	Haataja L
13:00	<i>End</i>	