

What can you look forward to in ECON 2025

Pre Conference Workshops for The Masters, The Mechanics and The Minnows

21st August, 2025 | 09:00 Hrs - 17:00 Hrs

Hall A - Epilepsy Demystified - Limited to 150 participants

A Clinical Workshop for Trainees and Neurologists

Diagnosis • Differentials • Treatment • Comorbidities

Why Attend?

- ❖ Sharpen Diagnosis: Refine seizure classification and identify epilepsy mimics.
- ❖ Use Modern Tools: Apply EEG, imaging, and genetic markers for accurate diagnosis.
- ❖ Treat Smarter: Update on drug selection, refractory epilepsy, and surgical options.
- ❖ Go Beyond Seizures: Manage cognitive, psychiatric, and lifestyle comorbidities.
- ❖ Learn from Experts: Engage in real-world case discussions and panel Q&As.
- ❖ Small group learning format.

Hall B - Masterclass in Epilepsy Surgery Advanced Case-Based Approach - Limited to 100 Participants

Highlights:

- ❖ Interactive case discussions led by internationally renowned epileptologists
- ❖ Complex Case Reviews from diagnostics to surgical decision-making.
- ❖ Multidisciplinary Insights
- ❖ Latest Surgical Techniques & Outcomes

Hall C - Hands-On Workshop for Neuro-Technologists – Limited to 100 Participants

- ❖ Hands-On EEG System Training
Live demonstration of modern EEG acquisition systems, electrode application, principles of VEEG monitoring, ICU and neonatal EEG, and continuous EEG
- ❖ Practical, Small-Group Learning Format
Rotating skill stations with direct interaction with neurologists and technologists for practical insights.
- ❖ Clinical Foundations of EEG:
Identification of background rhythms, sleep patterns, and common pathological findings.
- ❖ Artifact Identification & Management:
Identifying and correcting various artifacts, especially in high-interference environments.
- ❖ Ethics & Safety in EEG Monitoring:
Discussion of patient consent, safety protocols, and data privacy concerns.

Day 1 - 22nd August, 2025 Friday

HALL - A

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00 hrs 08:00 - 08:30 hrs 08:30 - 09:00 hrs	Breakfast - Teaching Session Establishing and maintaining a Video Telemetry Unit Source localization in epilepsy	Dr. Pradeep Pankajakshan Nair (Pondicherry) Dr. M. Arun Kumar (Chennai)
09:00 - 10:00 hrs 09:00 - 09:20 hrs 09:20 - 09:40 hrs 09:40 - 10:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 1 TITLE - SELECTING THE RIGHT TREATMENT Rational Selection of Persons with Epilepsy for Medical versus Surgical Treatment (Case based approach) Overview of surgical techniques for TLE How to minimise epilepsy surgery failures?	Dr. Gopal Krishna Dash (Bangalore) Dr. Dattatraya Muzumdar (Mumbai) Dr. K. Radhakrishnan (Trivandrum)
10:00 - 10:40 hrs 10:00 - 10:20 hrs 10:20 - 10:40 hrs	Parallel Symposium 2 TITLE - Nosology Seizures, Epilepsy and NCC – What's so special? Etiology specific epileptic syndromes	Dr. Gagandeep Singh (Ludhiana) Dr. Rima Nabbout (France)
10:40 - 11:00 hrs	Coffee / Tea	
11:00 - 12:00 hrs 11:00 - 11:20 hrs 11:20 - 11:40 hrs 11:40 - 12:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 3 TITLE - IMMUNITY AND STATUS EPILEPTICUS Acute seizure clusters and status epilepticus - Nosology and clinical approach Autoimmune seizures and autoimmune associated epilepsy Immunomodulation in FIRES and NORSE	Dr. Chaturbhuj Rathore (Vadodara) Dr. Man Mohan Mehndiratta (New Delhi) Dr. Neeraj N Baheti (Nagpur)
12:00 - 13:00 hrs 12:00 - 12:20 hrs 12:20 - 12:40 hrs 12:40 - 13:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 4 TITLE - EPILEPSY SURGERY - PLANNING AND SELECTION Selection of children for surgery – Pearls and pitfalls Approach to MRI negative epilepsy Role of SEEG-RFTC in MRI negative epilepsy	Dr. Lakshmi Narayanan (Chennai) Dr. Manjari Tripathi (New Delhi) Dr. P. Sarat Chandra (New Delhi)
13:00 - 14:00 hrs	Poster View / Lunch	

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
14.00 - 15.20 hrs	Parallel Symposium 5 TITLE - SEIZURES and MIMICS	
14:00 - 14:20 hrs	Identify this syndrome – rare and complex epilepsies	Dr. Rima Nabbout (France)
14:20 - 14:40 hrs	Seizure mimics	Dr. Anuja Patil (Hyderabad)
14:40 - 15:00 hrs	Genetic Epilepsies with Movement Disorders- the expanding spectrum	Dr. Ajith Cherian (Trivandrum)
15:00 - 15:20 hrs	Non convulsive status epilepticus –diagnosis and management	Dr. Swapan Gupta (New Delhi)
15:20 - 16:00 hrs	Poster View / Coffee / Tea	
16:00 - 17:20 hrs	Parallel Symposium 6 TITLE - EPILEPSY, PREGNANCY AND BEYOND	
16:00 - 16:20 hrs	Safety and Efficacy of Newer Antiseizure medications in Pregnancy- Do we know enough?	Dr. Sudhir Chandra Sarangi (New Delhi)
16:20 - 16:40 hrs	Frontiers in the field of Epilepsy and Pregnancy – Mechanisms, Epigenetics and Beyond	Dr. Ramshekhar N Menon (Trivandrum)
16:40 - 17:00 hrs	Epilepsy and perinatal brain injuries	Dr. Jaya Shankar Kaushik (Gauhati)
17:00 - 17:20 hrs	Neurodevelopmental Outcomes in Children born to Women with Epilepsy	Dr. Mary Iype (Trivandrum)
18.00 - 19.00 hrs	Inauguration	
19.00 hrs Onwards	Entertainment & Dinner	

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00 hrs	Breakfast - Teaching Session	
08:00 - 08:30 hrs	Spot the lesion: Identify the subtle lesion in Epilepsy	Dr. Nilesh Kurwale (Pune)
08:30 - 09:00 hrs	When Should we perform Genetic Tests in Epilepsy	Dr. Rajesh Shankar Iyer (Coimbatore)

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
09:00 - 10:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 1 TITLE - MAKING THE BEST OF EEG	
09:00 - 09:20 hrs	Is this a Spike ? IFCN criteria and Beyond	Dr. Ajay Asranna (Bangalore)
09:20 - 09:40 hrs	Benign Epileptiform variants and Artifacts	Dr. K. Malcolm Jeyaraj (Chennai)
09:40 - 10:00 hrs	EEG monitoring in ICU – Opportunities and Challenges	Dr. Atmaram Bansal (Delhi)
10:00 - 10:40 hrs	Parallel Symposium 2 TITLE - EPILEPSY, SLEEP AND BEHAVIOUR	
10:00 - 10:20 hrs	The interplay between Sleep and Epilepsy: Future directives	Dr. Samhita Panda (Jodhpur)
10:20 - 10:40 hrs	Double Trouble: Navigating Medications when Epilepsy Meets ADHD	Dr. Kavita Meikandan (Madurai)
10:40 - 11:00 hrs	Coffee / Tea	
11:00 - 12:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 3 TITLE - EPILEPSY MANAGEMENT WHEN ROUTINE SURGICAL OPTION FAILS	
11:00 - 11:20 hrs	EEG guided decision making in bilateral TLE	Dr. S. Dinesh Nayak (Chennai)
11:20 - 11:40 hrs	Hypothalamic Hamartoma – Radiofrequency ablation	Dr. Ramesh Doddamani (New Delhi)
11:40 - 12:00 hrs	Deep Brain Stimulation for Epilepsy	Dr. Siby Gopinath (Kochi)
12:00 - 13:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 4 TITLE - MANAGING EPILEPSY ACROSS AGE GROUPS	
12:00 - 12:20 hrs	Epilepsy in older adults: Mimics and Misses	Dr. Jasmine Parihar (New Delhi)
12:20 - 12:40 hrs	Tailoring the pharmacotherapy for the elderly	Dr. Chanda Kulkarni (Bangalore)
12:40 - 13:00 hrs	Pediatric epilepsies: Dilemmas in the management	Dr. Mini Sreedharan (Trivandrum)
13:00 - 14:00 hrs	Poster View / Lunch	

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
14.00 - 15.20 hrs	Parallel Symposium 5 TITLE - ADVANCES IN TECHNOLOGY	
14:00 - 14:20 hrs	Future of epilepsy diagnosis and treatment with AI: from prediction to precision	Dr. R. Lakshmi Narasimhan (Chennai)
14:20 - 14:40 hrs	Casein kinase 2 subunit specific drugs and temporal lobe epilepsy	Dr. Aparna Dixit (New Delhi)
14:40 - 15:00 hrs	mTOR inhibitors for Tuberous sclerosis – Current evidence and future implications	Dr. Ramesh Konaki (Hyderabad)
15:00 - 15:20 hrs	GABA A receptors and FCD – role in epileptogenesis	Dr. Jyotirmayi Banerjee (New Delhi)
15:20 - 16:00 hrs	Poster View / Coffee / Tea	
16:00 - 17:20 hrs	Parallel Symposium 6 TITLE - COMORBIDITIES AND REHABILITATION	
16:00 - 16:20 hrs	Innovative, Scalable, and Sustainable Approaches to Epilepsy Rehabilitation	Dr. Nirmal Surya (Mumbai)
16:20 - 16:40 hrs	Cannabinoids for Epilepsy – regulatory hurdles, indications and monitoring	Dr. Jyostna AS (Mysore)
16:40 - 17:00 hrs	Ketogenic diet in Epilepsy- challenges and real world case scenarios	Dr. Sheffali Gulati (New Delhi)
17:00 - 17:20 hrs	Lifestyle interventions for managing metabolic syndrome in people with epilepsy	Dr. Sudhindra Vooturi (Hyderabad)
17:20 - 18.00 hrs	Preliminary Quiz Written	

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
14:30 - 15:30 hrs	IEA GC	
15:30 - 16:30 hrs	IES EC	
16:30 - 17.30 hrs	Combined GC / EC	

Day 2 - 23rd August, 2025 Saturday

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00 hrs	Breakfast - Teaching Session	
08:00 - 08:30 hrs	Ictal Patterns in EEG	Dr. Ashalatha Radhakrishnan (Trivandrum)
08:30 - 09:00 hrs	Ictal Patterns in SEEG	Dr. Andreas Alexopoulos (USA)
09:00 - 10:00 hrs	Award Papers	
10:00 - 10:45 hrs	Dr. B.C. Bansal Oration Epilepsy and the Illusive Horizon: An Odyssey of learning through 25 Years	Dr. Sanjib Sinha (Bangalore)
10:45 - 11:15 hrs	Coffee / Tea Break	
11:15 - 12:00 hrs	Shoba Arjundas Oration	Dr. Andreas Alexopoulos (USA)
12:00 - 13:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 1 TITLE - EMERGING CONCEPTS AND PRACTICE	
12:00 - 12:20 hrs	Genetics and Epilepsy - Role of Targeted therapy	Dr. P. Satishchandra (Bangalore)
12:20 - 12:40 hrs	Epilepsy in Women- A life cycle approach to care	Dr. Bindu Menon (Nellore)
12:40 - 13:00 hrs	Neonatal Seizures and epilepsies	Dr. Pradyna Gadgil (Mumbai)
13:00 - 14:00 hrs	Poster view / Lunch	
14:00 - 15:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 2 TITLE - SEMIOLOGY	
14:00 - 14:20 hrs	Unusual TLE semiology	Dr. Sangeeta Ravat (Mumbai)
14:20 - 14:40 hrs	Unusual FLE semiology	Dr. Sita Jayalakshmi (Hyderabad)
14:40 - 15:00 hrs	Unusual semiologies in children	Dr. Sandeep Patil (Pune)
15:00 - 15:45 hrs	Dr. A.D. Sehgal Oration Classification of Seizures and epilepsies – Past, Present and future	Dr. Vinayan KP (Kochi)
15:45 - 16:15 hrs	Poster view / Coffee / Tea	
16:15 - 17:15 hrs	Quiz Finals	
19:30 hrs Onwards	Gala Dinner	

Day 2 - 23rd August, 2025 Saturday

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00 hrs	Breakfast - Teaching Session	
08:00 - 08:30 hrs	Radiogenomics and Epilepsy`	Dr. Gopinathan (Chennai)
08:30 - 09:00 hrs	Semiological analysis of Posterior Cortex Epilepsy	Dr. Harish Jayakumar (Madurai)
12:00 - 13:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 1 TITLE - CHALLENGES AND OPPURTUNITIES IN EPILEPSY SURGERY	
12:00 - 12:20 hrs	Complicated epilepsy surgery: importance of balancing benefit and deficit	Dr. Malla Bhaskara Rao (Bangalore)
12:20 - 12:40 hrs	Global Neurosurgery Priorities - Epilepsy Surgery	Dr. Manas Panigrahi (Hyderabad)
12:40 - 13:00 hrs	Epilepsy Surgery Program: Building a sustainable service	Dr. Ashok Pillai (Kochi)
13:00 - 14:00 hrs	Poster view / Lunch	
14:00 - 15:00 hrs	Parallel Symposium 2 DEBATE Epilepsy Surgery should be offered only after the establishment of pharmacoresistance For: Dr. Rajesh B Iyer (Bangalore) Against: Dr. Parampreet Singh (Chandigarh)	
17:30 - 18:30 hrs	IES GB	
18:30 - 19:30 hrs	IEA GB	

Day 2 - 23rd August, 2025 Saturday

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
12:00 - 13:00 hrs	Young Epilepsy Forum	Dr. Priyanka Madaan (Faridabad) Dr. S. Muthukani (Chennai) Dr. Ching Soong Khoo (Malaysia)

Day 3 - 24th August, 2025 Sunday

HALL - A

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00 hrs	Breakfast - Teaching Session	
08:00 - 08:30 hrs	Interictal EEG during Video-EEG monitoring	Dr. Kiren Koshy (Trivandrum)
08:30 - 09:00 hrs	Systematic approach to Video-EEG reading	Dr. Keni Ravish (Bangalore)
09:00 - 09:45 hrs	B.M. Sharma Oration	Dr. Jayanti Mani (Mumbai)
09:45 - 10:30 hrs	H.C Bajoria Oration Fort Lauderdale, Train ride to the Tropic of Cancer and Untreated Epilepsy – A serendipitous coming together	Dr. Mamta Bhushan Singh (New Delhi)
10:30 - 11:00 hrs	Poster view / Coffee / Tea	
11:00 - 12:20 hrs	Parallel Symposium 1 TITLE - HOW DO YOU TREAT IT?	
11:20 - 11:20 hrs	Refractory Generalized Epilepsy – Navigating the difficult Terrain	Dr. Vibhor Pardasani (Mumbai)
11:20 - 11:40 hrs	Enigmatic 'fits': organic, psychogenic, both or neither?	Dr. Neetha Balaram (Kannur)
11:40 - 12:00 hrs	Epilepsy or encephalopathy - The difficult world of progressive myoclonus syndromes	Dr. Arushi Saini (Chandigarh)
12:00 - 12:20 hrs	Drug withdrawal in Epilepsy	Dr. Haseeb Hasan (Kolkata)
12:30 - 13:30 hrs	Parallel Symposium 2 TITLE - EPILEPSY MANAGEMENT , DIAGNOSIS TO FOLLOW UP	
12:30 - 12:50 hrs	Neurocognitive aspects of epilepsy surgery	Dr. Urvashi Shah (Mumbai)
12:50 - 13:10 hrs	Neuromodulation for Epilepsy	Dr. Nitin Sethi (Delhi)
13:10 - 13:30 hrs	Approach to childhood epilepsy syndromes- a simplified clumping from a therapeutic perspective	Dr. Vaishakh Anand (Kochi)
13:30 - 14:00 hrs	Lunch	
14:00 - 15:00 hrs	KS Mani Forum	
15:00 hrs	Valedictory	

Day 3 - 24th August, 2025 Sunday

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00 hrs	Breakfast - Teaching Session Neonatal EEG EEG in Children, How different is it from Adults	Dr. Ranjith Kumar Manokaran (Chennai) Dr. Maya Mary Thomas (Vellore)
08:00 - 08:30 hrs		
08:30 - 09:00 hrs		
10:20 - 11:00 hrs	Poster view / Coffee / Tea	
11:00 - 12:30 hrs	Parallel Symposium 1 TITLE - MANAGEMENT OF EPILEPSY BEYOND MEDICINE Beyond the Seizure: Tackling Stigma, Mental Health, and School Inclusion Scale, Sustain, and Systematize: Building an Epilepsy-Friendly Health & Education Ecosystem Yoga for Epilepsy and Neurodisability: Evidence and Practice Guidelines Evidence based music intervention for epilepsy: current status and future directions	Dr. B. Vengamma (Kolar) Dr. Marami Das (Gauhati) Dr. Divya Sharma (Mumbai) Dr. Shantala Hegde (Bangalore)
11:00 - 11:20 hrs		
11:20 - 11:40 hrs		
11:40 - 12:00 hrs		
12:00 - 12:20 hrs		
12:30 - 13:30 hrs	Parallel Symposium 2 TITLE - BRIDGING THE TREATMENT GAP No patient left behind: Addressing the treatment gap in rural India Evidence-based pragmatic solutions towards improving access to epilepsy care - The Punjab Experience Epilepsy - Psychosocial impact and management strategies	Dr. RK. Surekha (Jaipur) Dr. Sulena (Punjab) Dr. Priya Thomas (Bangalore)
12:30 - 12:50 hrs		
12:50 - 13:10 hrs		
13:10 - 13:30 hrs		

Day 3 - 24th August, 2025 Sunday

HALL - C

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
10:30 - 10:40 hrs	Welcome Address Why IGAP Matters: A Vision for India	Dr. Satish Chandra Dr. Bindu Menon
10:40 - 11:10 hrs	Session 1: IGAP and the Indian Landscape Chairpersons: Dr. Satish Chandra and Dr. M.M. Mehndiratta	
10:10 - 10:55 hrs	Health System Alignment: Mapping IGAP to Indian Priorities	Dr. K. Madan Gopal
10:55 - 11:10 hrs	Epilepsy Care: Using Innovation and Community Health Systems	Mr. Jerard Selvam
11:10 - 11:50 hrs	Session 2: Evidence, Epidemiology & Public Health Imperatives Chairpersons: Dr. B. Vengamma, Dr. Sarat Chandra	
11:10 - 11:20 hrs	The Public Health View: Epilepsy in India's Disease Burden	Dr. Manoj V. Murhekar
11:20 - 11:30 hrs	Epidemiological Priorities in Epilepsy for IGAP Implementation	Dr. P. Ganesh Kumar
11:30 - 11:35 hrs	Global Goals, Local Realities	Dr. Gagandeep Singh
11:35 - 11:40 hrs	From Silence to Strength – Centering Community & Patient Experiences	Dr. Malla Bhaskar Dr. Surekha
11:40 - 11:45 hrs	Integrating Mental Health into IGAP Strategies	Dr. Urvashi Shah
11:50 - 12:40 hrs	Session 3: Advocacy that Resonates Chairpersons: Dr. K.P. Vinayan, Dr. Manjari Tripathi	
11:50 - 11:55 hrs	Bridging the Treatment Gap in Epilepsy	Dr. Nirmal Surya
11:55 - 12:00 hrs	Strengthening Epilepsy Care From Advocacy to Implementation	Dr Mamta Bhushan Singh
12:00 - 12:05 hrs	Voices That Matter - Mobilizing Media, Policymakers & Public Opinion	Dr. Jayanti Mani Dr. Param Kharbanda
12:05 - 12:10 hrs	Telling Our Story Right - Crafting Impactful Advocacy Messages	Nazia Ansari Shraddha Chaurasia Suchitra Narayan Nitin Kumar Pooja Nandi
	Developing Educational Resources for Epilepsy Care	Dr. P.K. Maheshwari
12:40 - 01:00 hrs	Session 4 A Global Commitment to Epilepsy: Advancing the IGAP Agenda: The IBE Perspective on People-Centered Epilepsy Care and Policy. Global Advocacy for Local Impact: IBE's Vision and Partnerships	Dr. Francesca Sofia Ms. Donna Walsh

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
01:00 - 01.25 hrs	Session 5: Building Together - Collaborative Action Planning EVERYONE A participatory session to translate knowledge into national-level commitment.	Dr. Bindu Menon
01.25 - 01.30 hrs	Closing Session: The Way Forward What We Heard, What We'll Do – Summary of key takeaways Launching the Movement – Formation of a National IGAP Task Force for Epilepsy	