



Annual Meeting of the Israeli Neurosurgical Society

May 7-9, 2025

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Scientific Program

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

13:00 Registration, Light Lunch and Visit the Exhibition

13:30-13:40 OPENING REMARKS

Mony Benifla, President, Israeli Neurosurgical Society
Moshe Bar-Haim, Director General of the Israel Cancer Association

Annual Report
Ido Paldor, Secretary, Israeli Neurosurgical Society

Financial Report
Ido Strauss, Treasurer, Israeli Neurosurgical Society

13:40-15:20 SESSION I - LGG, HGG AND MORE

Chairs: **Amit Azriel**, Israel
Tal Shahar, Israel

FREE PAPERS

13:40 A Prospective, Randomized, Single-Center Trial of NovoTTF-200A Together with Radiation Therapy and Temozolomide in Patients with Newly Diagnosed GBM
Rachel Grossman
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa, Israel

13:47 Time to Wake Up! Comparison of the Functional Outcomes of Awake vs. Asleep Craniotomy in 3,713 Patients Undergoing Resection of Supra-tentorial "Eloquent" and "Non-eloquent" Gliomas: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis
Liat Oxman¹, Laviv Yosef¹, Duffau Hugues²
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- 13:54 High Intra-Tumoral and Serum Matrix Metalloproteinase 9 Levels are Associated with Reduced Survival of Glioblastoma and Brain Metastases Patients
Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz^{1,2}, Snir Haddad-Shlaifshtein^{2,3}, Yael Eskira^{2,3}, Vladimir Merkin^{2,3}, Guy Dumanis⁴, Sivan Turiel⁵, Maya Atar-Vardi⁵, Romi Bari⁵, Adi Alt^{2,3}, Tali Zamed^{2,3}, Noa Rotem-Dai^{2,3}, Konstantin Lavrenkov^{2,6}, Yarden Kezerle⁷, Victor Dyomin⁷, Ronit Razon⁸, Moumita Chakraborty⁹, Hila Asraf⁹, Michal Hershfinkel⁹, Israel Melamed^{2,3}
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- 14:01 The Impact of Surgical Resection of Small Cell Lung Carcinoma Brain Metastases on Overall Survival
Ravit Gabay Yehezkel¹, Ariella R Eisenberg², Ido Livneh^{2,3}, Rachel Grossman^{1,2}
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Rambam Health Care Campus, Haifa, ²Rappaport Faculty of Medicine, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology, ³Pathology, Rambam Health Care Campus, Haifa, Israel
- 14:08 Contrast-Enhancing Properties of Intra-Axial Brain Tumors Predict the Correlation Between Preoperative Tractography and Intraoperative Subcortical Stimulation
***Assaf Berger**¹, ***Segev Gabay**², Ido Strauss^{2,3}, Neomi Kahana Levi², Neomi Singer², Guy Gurevitch², Amir Hadanny², Claudia Schlimper⁴, Rik Demaerel⁵, Uri Rozovski⁶, Akiva Korn², Zvi Ram^{2,3}, Tal Shahr^{2,3}
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- 14:15 Prospective Clinical Trial of Upright Image-Guided Proton Therapy for Locally Recurrent Head and Neck and Brain Malignancies
Philip Blumenfeld¹, Yair Hillman¹, Ella Wajnryt¹, Avi Berger¹, Marc Wygoda¹, Ayman Salhab¹, Marcel Fang¹, Jon Feldman¹, Aron Popovtzer¹, Alexander Pryanichnikov²
¹Radiation Oncology, Hadassah Medical Center, Israel, ²Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Institute of Biomedical Engineering, Karlsruhe, Germany
- 14:22 Stereotactic Radiosurgery Outcomes in Meningioma Patients with a History of Tinea Capitis Irradiation
Ofir Sholy Ben Mouel, Diana C. Bolivar, Hanan Abofani, Ori Haisraely, Shachar Zion Shemesh, Moshe Attia, Yaacov R. Lawrence, Alisa Talianski, Anton Wohl, Zvi R. Cohen, Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Chaim Sheba Medical Center, Ramat Gan, Israel
- 14:29 Familial VHL Hemangioblastoma: A 46-Year Follow-Up Study Across Three Generations
Hadil Sah, Andrey Alushin, Antonio Houry, Rashad Naamna, Elad Avraham, Micky Gidon, Amit Azriel, Vladimir Merkin, Israel Melamed
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Soroka University Medical Center, Beer Sheva, Israel
- 14:36 Stem the Blood Flow: Beneficial Impact of Bevacizumab on Survival of Subventricular Zone Glioblastoma Patients
Sapir Lev¹, Yosef Laviv¹, Andrew A. Kanner¹, Susana Fichman², Dror Limon³, Tali Siegal³, Shlomit Yust-Katz³, Alexandra Benouaich-Amiel³
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- 14:43 Discussion

FLASH TALKS

- 14:53 WHO Grade III Meningioma Neurosurgical Follow Up and Treatment: A Retrospective Series of 61 Patients
Waed Masalha, Tarek Keadan, Yakov Felig, Yigal Shoshan, Andrew H. Kaye, Samuel Moscovici
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel





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- 14:56 Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Uveal Melanoma: A Retrospective Analysis of Treatment Outcomes
Hanan Abofani¹, **Maya Nulman**¹, Mustafa Siddiq¹, Rotem Bohbot², Zvi R. Cohen^{1,3}, Victoria Vishnevskia Dai^{3,4}, Ido Didi Fabian^{3,4}, Yaacov R. Lawrence⁵, Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz¹, Anton Wohl¹
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- 14:59 Central Intracranial Epidermoid Cyst Resection Through the Infratranstentorial Sub Temporal Approach (Itsta): A Case Series of 15 Patients
Waed Masalha, Sergey Spektor, Andrew H. Kaye, Jose Cohen, Samuel Moscovici
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 15:02 Who Wants to Build a Registry?
Saadit Sarah Houri¹, Alisa Sheldon², Anton Peled², Avital Perry², Noa Rennert², Mohamad Hmaeed Asdi³, Yevgeny Karepov³, Amit Azriel⁴, Elad Avraham⁴, Israel Melamed⁴, Guy Rosenthal¹, Raquel C. Gardner²,
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- 15:05 Let the Light In: Influence of Fluorescence-Guided Resection With 5-Aminolevulinic Acid On Surgical Outcomes, Extent of Resection, and Survival in Subventricular Zone Glioblastoma
Sapir Lev¹, Yosef Laviv¹, Paz Lev², Andrew A Kanner¹, Suzana Fichman³, Alexandra Benouaich-Amiel^{4v}, Dror Limon⁴, Tali Siegal⁴, Shlomit Yust-Katz⁴
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15:08 Tissue Microarray for Her-2 Expression Dynamics in Recurrent Glioblastomas
Sapir Lev¹, Andrew A Kanner¹, Nelson Moss²
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Beilinson, Israel, ²Dept. of Neurosurgery, Memorial Sloan
Kettering, New York

15:11 Discussion

15:20-16:00 SESSION II - INVITED LECTURES

Chairs: **Zvi Cohen**, Israel
Andrew A. Kanner, Israel

15:20 Controversies in Stereotactic Radiosurgery in Brain Metastases
Michael Schulder
Northwell Health Center for Advanced Medicine, NY, USA

15:40 Improving Brain Tumor Therapy
Henry Brem
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA

16:00 *Coffee Break and Visit to the Exhibition*





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16:30-17:15 SESSION III - COMPLICATION AVOIDANCE IN PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY

Chairs: **Mickey Gideon**, Israel
Jonathan Roth, Israel

- 16:30 Complication Avoidance During Supratentorial Tumor Resection in Children
Amir Kershenovich
Pediatric Neurosurgery, Schneider Children's Medical Center of Israel,
Petah Tikva, Israel
- 16:40 Complication Avoidance During Resection of 4th Ventricular Tumors
Jacob Zauberman
Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 16:50 Complication Avoidance During ETV
Sergey Abeshaus
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Galilee Medical Center, Nahariya, Israel
- 17:00 Discussion

17:15-18:30 SESSION IV - TUMORS AND TRACTOGRAPHY

Chairs: **Rachel Grossman**, Israel
Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz, Israel

FREE PAPERS

- 17:15 ETV for Fourth Ventricle Outlet Obstruction (FVOO) in the Long-Term Period
Following Pediatric Posterior Fossa Tumor Resection
Jonathan Roth^{1,2}, **Lidor Bitan**¹, Danil A. Kozyrev¹, Ashraf Sharbook¹, Carla Richetta¹,
Noa Mecica¹, Dmytro Zhebrykov¹, Shlomi Constantini^{1,2}
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FREE PAPERS (cont.)

- 17:22 Selective Syntactic Impairment Following Dominant Premotor Tumor Resection: Preliminary Results and Aslant Tract Preservation in Awake Craniotomy
Naomi Kahana Levy¹, Naama Friedmann², Akiva Korn¹, Ariel Agur³, Guy Gurevitch³, Neomi Singer³, Carla Richetta¹, Maayan Alvas³, Tal Shahr¹
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- 17:29 Perioperative Mapping of Beat Processing: Insights From Awake Craniotomies
Neomi Singer^{1,2}, Gabriella Panishev³, Nimrod Keren², Nitzana Levine², Tali Siman-Tov², Irina Vendrov¹, Akiva Korn¹, Guy Gurevitch^{2,4}, Naomi Kahana Levy¹, Yaara Erez⁵, Tal Shahr¹
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- 17:36 Tractography vs Canonical Targeting for Tremor Control- Randomized Controlled Trial -Preliminary Results in 60 Patients (The TRACT Trial)
Lior Lev Tov^{1,2,3}, Noam Shalem^{1,3}, Alon Sinai¹, Ilana Erikh⁴, Ayelet Eran⁵, Maria Nassar⁴, Mark Katson⁴, Inna Senderova⁴, Ilana Schlesinger^{2,4}
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- 17:43 Clinical and Molecular Characteristics of CDKN2A-Deleted Meningiomas: A Preliminary Analysis
Hanan Abofani¹, Ori Haisraely², Ofir Sholy Ben Mouel¹, Alisa Talianski², Moshe Attia¹, Zvi R. Cohen¹, Anton Wohl¹, Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz¹
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FREE PAPERS (cont.)

- 17:50 Intraoperative Subcortical Mapping of the Corticospinal Tracts in Intra-axial Brain Tumors Resection: Bipolar vs Monopolar Stimulation Thresholds
Liat Oxman¹, Stav Emanuel², Yosef Laviv¹, Sagi Harnof¹, Omer Zarchi², Andrew A Kanner¹
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Rabin Medical Center, Petah Tikva, Israel and Tel Aviv University Medical School, Tel Aviv, Israel, ²The Intraoperative Neurophysiology Unit, Rabin Medical Center, Tel Aviv University Medical School, Petah Tikva, Israel

- 17:57 Discussion

FLASH TALKS

- 18:05 Management of Hygromas after Decompressive Craniectomy
John Winestone, **Simon Jarous**
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 18:08 Posterior Fossa Teratoma in an Adult
Rotem HersHKovitch¹, Andrew H. Kaye¹, Yakov Fellig², Samuel Moscovici¹
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, ²Dept. of Pathology, Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 18:11 Staged Bilateral VIM Thalamotomy for Essential Tremor
Alon Sinai¹, Ilana Schlesinger^{2,3}, Noam Shalem^{1,4}, Maria Nassar⁵, Inna Senderova⁵, Marius Constantinescu¹, Lior Lev Tov¹
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- 18:14 Hyper-Acute Plasma GFAP and UCHL1 as an Aid-In-Evaluation of Acute TBI in Soldiers with Combat Polytrauma
Rotem HersHKovitch¹, Alisa Sheldon², Keren Asraf², Cecilia Moskovitz², Yael Rosen Lang², Shachar Shapira², Yoram Klein², Avi Epstein², Raquel C. Gardner²
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- 18:17 Superiority of Mini Craniotomy vs Large Craniotomy for Evacuation of Intracerebral Hemorrhage; Better Outcome and Shorter Hospital Stay
Abed Siag
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 18:20 Intravascular Interventions in Penetrating Traumatic Brain Injuries (pTBI)
Timing- Review and Case Report
Jacob Rosenberg^{1,2}, Gil Zur³, Eitan Abargil^{1,3}, Shimon Maimon³, Gil Svir^{1,2},
Lior Lev Tov^{1,2,4}
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³Dept. of Radiology, Rambam Medical Center, ⁴Faculty of Bio-Medical Engineering, Technion,
Haifa, Israel
- 18:23 Spontaneous Vaginal Delivery After Decompressive Craniectomy - Illustrative Case
Ali Alkasim Kaadan, Sergey Abeshaus
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Galilee Medical Center, Nahariya, Israel
- 18:26 Discussion
- 18:30 *End of Day's Sessions*
- 19:30 *Dinner*





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07:30 Registration, Coffee and Visit to the Exhibition

08:00-09:00 SESSION V - UNIQUE THINGS ABOUT BRAIN TUMORS

Chairs: **Uzi Ben-David**, Israel
Israel Melamed, Israel

FREE PAPERS

- 08:00 'Take Care' a Discharge Algorithm to Reduce Recurring Post-Discharge Inquiries
Paz Kelmer, Jose Asprill, Zvi Cohen, Lior Ungar
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Sheba Medical Center, Ramat Gan, Israel
- 08:07 Association Between Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Aggressiveness of CNS Tumors
Ohad Liberman¹, Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz^{1,2}, Ariel Tarasiuk³, Aviv Goldbart³,
Elad Avraham¹, Andrey Alushin¹, Micky Gidon¹, Vladimir Merkin¹, Israel Melamed¹
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Soroka University Medical Center, Beer Sheva, ²Dept. of
Neurosurgery, Neurosurgical Oncology and Radiosurgery, Sheba Medical Center,
Ramat-Gan, ³Sleep-Wake Disorders Unit, Soroka University Medical Center,
Beer Sheva, Israel
- 08:14 Ethnic Disparities in Cerebral Atherosclerotic Burden between Arabs and Jews
Living in Israel
Shady Jahshan^{1,2}, Galina Kiegler^{1,2}, **Haill Salame**^{1,2}, Masad Barhoum^{1,2}, Jean F. soustiel^{1,2}
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Bar Ilan University, Zafed, Israel
- 08:21 Characteristics Associated with Prognosis in DICH - Mapping the Damage
Talya Blumkine¹, Noy Sade^{1,2}, Amit Azriel^{1,3}, Elad Avraham^{1,3}, Israel Melamed^{1,3},
Yuval Sufaro^{1,3}
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of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, ³Dept. of Neurosurgery, Soroka University Medical Center,
Beer-Sheva, Israel





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FREE PAPERS (cont.)

- 08:28 Spatial-Oriented Tractography Analysis
Noam Shalem^{1,2}, Alon Sinai², Haim Azhari¹, Ilana Schlesinger³, Lior Lev-Tov^{1,2,4}
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- 08:35 Stereotactic Implantation of Diffusing Alpha-emitters Radiation Therapy Sources in the Swine Brain
Yigal Shoshan¹, Robert B. Den², Aron Popovtzer³, Samuel Moscovici⁴
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²Alpha Tau Medical, Jerusalem, ³Sharett Institute of Oncology, Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, ⁴Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 08:42 "Pure" CPA Epidermoid Cyst a Histological and Clinical Benign Entity
Maria Del Pilar Anleu Saravia, Samuel Moscovici
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 08:49 Surgery for AVM in the Endovascular Era
Nevo Margalit
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 08:56 Discussion





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09:00-09:30 SESSION VI - CONTROVERSIES IN NEUROSURGERY- CRANIOPHARYNGIOMA - GTR VERSUS CONSERVATIVE RESECTION

Chairs: **Sergey Abeshaus**, Israel
Sergey Spektor, Israel

- 09:00 **Shlomi Constantini**
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Ichilov Hospital, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 09:10 **Nevo Margalit**
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 09:20 Discussion

09:30-09:50 SESSION VII - INVITED LECTURE

Chairs: **Sergey Abeshaus**, Israel
Sergey Spektor, Israel

- 09:30 Same Name, Different Disease - Pediatric and Adult Brain Tumors
Jehuda Soleman
Neurosurgery and Pediatric Neurosurgery, University Hospital and Children's
Hospital of Basel, Basel, Switzerland

09:50-10:30 SESSION VIII - PEDIATRICS AND CRANIOPHARYNGIOMA

Chairs: **Shlomi Constantini**, Israel
Nevo Margalit, Israel

FREE PAPERS

- 09:50 Craniopharyngioma: Shifts in the Treatment Paradigm and in the Surgical Treatment
Options
Nevo Margalit
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel





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09:50-10:30 **SESSION VIII - PEDIATRICS AND CRANIOPHARYNGIOMA (cont.)**

FREE PAPERS (cont.)

- 09:57 Endoscopic Transventricular Approach for Treatment of Craniopharyngiomas:
Outcomes and Advantages
Michael Farberov, Jacob Zauberman
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
- 10:04 Functional Outcomes are Preserved Despite the Need for Post-Natal
Re-coverage Surgery after Fetoscopic Repair of Myelomeningocele
Amir Kershenovich
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Schneider Children's Medical Center of Israel, Israel
- 10:11 Admission or Discharge of Pediatric Patients with Isolated Skull Fractures.
Original Series, Systematic Review of Literature and a Proposed Discharge Protocol
Ido Ben Zvi^{1,2}, Galal Imtiaz², Rory J Piper², Martin M Tisdall²
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Schneider Children's Medical Center of Israel, Israel
²Dept. of Neurosurgery, Great Ormond St Hospital for Children, UK
- 10:18 Limited Surgery and Radiation Therapy in The Management of Pediatric
Craniopharyngioma; A Large Tertiary Single-Center Experience, Following St. Jude
Children's Research Hospital Treatment Philosophy
Segev Gabay¹, Lee Azulai¹, Jonathan Roth¹, Shlomi Constantini²
¹Dept. Neurosurgery, ²Pediatric Neurosurgery, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center,
Tel Aviv, Israel
- 10:25 Discussion
- 10:30 *Coffee Break and Visit to the Exhibition*





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11:00-12:00 SESSION IX - MY WORST DISASTER

Chairs: **Andrew H. Kaye**, Israel
Iddo Paldor, Israel

Henry Brem, USA
Jonathan Roth, Israel
Michael Schulder, USA
Sergey Spektor, Israel
Gill E. Sviri, Israel

12:00-13:00 GUEST LECTURE

"A Golden Boy"
Asaf Yasur
Para-Olympic Champion

13:00-13:15 BEST PAPER AWARDS - Sponsored by *Tzamal Medical*

Chairs: **Mony Benifla**, Israel
Ido Strauss, Israel

13:00

Best Resident Basic Science Research Award

Analysis of Circulating Tumor DNA (ctDNA) in Patients with Glioblastoma for the Discovery of Novel Biomarkers to Evaluate Treatment Response

Lee Azolai¹, Shlomo Tsurie², Deborah T. Blumenthal³, Adi Kempfner¹,
Dov Herskovits², Tal Shahar¹

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13:07

Best Resident Clinical Research Award

Novel AI Model for Automated Trajectory in Frameless Stereotactic Brain Biopsies
Shachar Zion Shemesh^{1,4}, Roni Loebenstein², Roberta Bril Paroz², Nicola Maggio²,
Rotem Bohbot⁶, David Mesika³, Abigail Livny^{3,4,5}, Shay Illouz^{1,4,7}, Olliana Vazhgovski⁷,
Netanel Nagar⁷, Shai Tejman-Yarden^{4,7}, Anton Wohl¹, Zvi R. Cohen¹,
Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz¹

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13:15

Lunch and Visit the Exhibition

14:15-15:15 **SESSION X - TECHNIQUES, RADIATION NECROSIS AND MORE**

Chairs: **Shmuel Tobias**, Israel
Ido Strauss, Israel

FREE PAPERS

14:15

"Lazy" Far-Lateral Approach - Anterior Foramen Magnum and Lower Clivus
Or Almog, Andrew H. Kaye, Sergey Spektor, Samuel Moscovici
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center,
Jerusalem, Israel

14:22

Novel AI Model for Automated Prediction of Radiation Necrosis versus Tumor Recurrence In Glioblastoma Patients using Brain MRI
Shachar Zion Shemesh^{1,2}, Rotem Bohbot³, Anton Wohl^{1,2}, Zvi R. Cohen^{1,2},
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14:15-15:15 SESSION X - TECHNIQUES, RADIATION NECROSIS AND MORE (cont.)

FREE PAPERS (cont.)

- 14:29 Middle Meningeal Artery Embolization for Chronic Subdural Hematoma: Meta-Analysis of Three Randomized Controlled Trials and Review of Ongoing Trials
Yevgeny Karepov¹, Conor S. Gillespie^{1,2}, Munashe Veremu^{1,2}
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- 14:36 Clinical Outcome and Imaging Changes after MR-Guided Laser Interstitial Thermal Therapy
Lottem Bergman¹, Ariel Agur¹, Segev Segev¹, Ariel Tankus^{1,2}, Itai Strauss², Leor Zach^{3,4}, Orna Aizenstein^{4,5}, Rachel Grossman^{6,7}, Tal Shahar¹, Ido Strauss^{1,4}
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- 14:43 Radiation Necrosis Following Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Resection Cavity of Brain Metastases
Snir Haddad Shlaifshtein¹, Leor Zach², Orit Furman², Ido Strauss¹, Tal Shahar¹, Rachel Grossman³, Dafna Ben Bashat⁴, Moran Artzi⁴, Dror Limon⁵, Alexandra Bittan²
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- 14:50 'Starting on the Right Foot' an Algorithmic Approach Model to Facilitate an Improved ICU Admission Process
Paz Kelmer, Zaki Hinnawi, Jose Asprilla, Zvi Cohen, Lior Ungar
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Chaim Sheba Medical Center, Ramat Gan, Israel
- 14:57 Percutaneous Spinothalamic Radiofrequency Cordotomy for Intractable Cancer Pain: A Large Cohort from a Single Institution Experience
Segev Gabay, Adi Kempfner, Ido Strauss





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FREE PAPERS (cont.)

- 15:04 Experimental Approaches in the Development of Novel Biologics Ablating the Choroid Plexus: Our Experience using Human Ips/Es Cells Derived Choroid Plexus Organoids
Carla Richetta³, Jason Tchieu², Gwendolyn Sebring¹, Stephanie Stevens¹, Crystal Shula¹, Francesco Tindaro Mangano¹, June Goto¹
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- 15:11 Discussion

15:15-16:45 SESSION XI - QUALITY OF LIFE

Chairs: **Amir Kershenovich**, Israel
Yigal Shoshan, Israel

- 15:15 Quality of Life in Patients with Brain Tumors
Shlomit Bagon
Social Working in Oncology and Hematology, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa, Israel
- 15:30 Recovery and Rehabilitation of Children After Brain Tumors
Shirit Ophir
Rehabilitation Physician. Medical Manager of the Pediatric Rehabilitation Unit of Rabbi Piner's "EZRA LEMARPE" Association in Bnei Brak. Eating Rehabilitation Clinic at Alyn Hospital in Jerusalem, and an Independent Doctor in the Community
- 15:45 Palliative Care for Malignant Brain Tumors: Challenges, Dilemmas and Quality of Life Improvements
Daniel Azulay
Palliative Care Service, Hadassah Medical Center- Mount Scopus, Jerusalem
- 16:00 "You Have Yourself"
Powerful Tools for Overcoming Crisis and Embracing Growth
Dafna Etziony
Educational Consultant & NLP Master; Clinic, workshops, lectures





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15:15-16:45 **SESSION XI - QUALITY OF LIFE (cont.)**

- 16:15 My Brain Tumor - a Curse or a Blessing?
 Avi Yaron
- 16:30 Discussion
- 16:45 *Coffee Break and Visit to the Exhibition*

17:00-17:40 **SESSION XII - CONTROVERSIES II - EARLY VERSUS DELAYED SURGICAL
INTERVENTION IN LOW GRADE GLIOMA PATIENTS**

Chairs: **Rachel Grossman**, Israel
 Samuel Moscovici, Israel

PRO: **Amit Azriel**, Israel

CON: **Yossi Laviv**, Israel

Panel:

Henry Brem, USA

Shlomit Yust-Katz, Israel

Michael Schulder, USA

Yigal Shoshan, Israel

Iddo Paldor, Israel





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17:40-18:25 SESSION XIII - MISCELLANEOUS

Chairs: **Yuval Grober**, Israel
Yuval Sufaro, Israel

FREE PAPERS

- 17:40 Long-Term Outcomes of Percutaneous Balloon Compression for Recurrent Trigeminal Neuralgia Following Microvascular Decompression
Jose Asprilla
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Chaim Sheba Medical Center, Ramat Gan, Israel
- 17:47 Cervical Spinal Melorheostosis: A Rare Presentation with Review of the Literature
Naama Turner
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Rambam Healthcare Campus, Haifa, Israel
- 17:54 Surgical Burr Hole Access for Direct Sinus Puncture and Transvenous Coil Embolization of a Complex Superior Sagittal Sinus Dural Arteriovenous Fistula
Paz Kelmer¹, Georgios Sioutas², Mohamed Salem², Visish Srinivasan², Jan Burkhardt²
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, Sheba Medical Center, Israel, ²Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, US
- 18:01 Flow Diversion for the Management of DACAA
Or Almog, John Moshe Gomori, Ali Khanafer, Hans Henkes, Jose Cohen
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel

18:08 Discussion

FLASH TALKS

- 18: 13 Occipital Positional Plagiocephaly Permanently Shifts the Dominance of the Transverse Sinus to the Contralateral Side
Amir Kershenovich¹, **Omri Zvi Savir¹**, Ella Gurevich¹, Abraham Mizrahi², Malka Marmer³
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17:40-18:25 **SESSION XIII - MISCELLANEOUS (cont.)**

- 18:16 Osteolytic Echinococcal Cyst of the Cervical Spine
 Haggai Suisa
 Dept. of Neurosurgery, Galilee Medical Center, Nahariya, Israel
- 18:19 Discussion
- 18:25 *End of Day's Sessions*
- 19:30 *Dinner*





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EDUCATION DAY FOR RESIDENTS

08:00 *Registration and Coffee*

08:15-10:30 PART I

- 08:15 In-Vitro Models for Neurosurgical Resident Training
Iddo Paldor
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem; The Faculty of Medicine, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel
- 08:40 Experimental Therapies and Ethical Issues in Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma
Myriam Ben Arush
Pediatric Oncology Hematology, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa
- 09:05 GTR in Pediatric Brain Tumors - Is it Really Necessary
Mony Benifla, President, Israeli Neurosurgical Society
Pediatric Neurosurgery Unit, Rambam Health Care Campus; Technion- Israel institute of technology Haifa, Israel
- 09:30 Pediatric Temporal Tumors and Epilepsy
Jonathan Roth
Division of Neurosurgery, Dept. of Pediatric Neurosurgery, Dana Children's Hospital, Tel Aviv Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 09:55 Surgical Approaches for Pediatric Posterior Fossa Tumors
Shlomi Constantini
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Ichilov Hospital, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 10:20 *Discussion*
- 10:30 *Coffee Break and Visit to the Exhibition*





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11:00-13:00 PART II

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| 11:00 | A Farewell to Frames: Mask-based Radiosurgery
Michael Schulder
Northwell Health Center for Advanced Medicine, NY, USA |
| 11:20 | Cerebral Metastasis - Surgical and Radiosurgical Decision Making
Yigal Shoshan
Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Hebrew University of Jerusalem,
Jerusalem, Israel |
| 11:40 | Updates in Glioma Classification
Rachel Grossman
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Rambam Health Care Campus, Haifa, Israel |
| 12:00 | Functional Assessments During Awake Craniotomies
Tal Shahar
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Tel Aviv Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel |
| 12:20 | Neurosurgical Residency Training / Fellowships
Henry Brem
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA |
| 12:40 | Utilizing Imaging-Based AI and Liquid Biopsies to Differentiate True Tumor Progression
from Pseudoprogression
Tehila Kaisman-Elbaz
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Sheba Medical Center, Ramat Gan, Israel |
| 13:00 | <i>Closing Remarks and Feedback</i> |
| 13:05 | <i>Light Lunch</i> |





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E-POSTER PRESENTATIONS

1. Convexity Chondroma: A Rare Entity of Radiological-Deceiving and Diagnosis-Challenging Intracranial Tumor - A Case Report of Convexity Chondroma Associated with CSF Leak
Raslan Abu Husen, Samuel Moscovici
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Hadassah Ein Kerem, Jerusalem, Israel
2. Meningitis Disguised as Aneurysmal Subarachnoid Hemorrhage - Case Report and Review of the Literature
Lee Azolai, Alon Schwartz, Marga Serafimova
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Tel Aviv Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel
3. Schistosomiasis Presenting as an Intracranial Space-Occupying Lesion Mimicking Glioblastoma
Lee Azolai¹, Segev Gabai¹, Ronen Ben Ami², Tal Shahr¹
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, ²Dept. of Infection Disease, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel
4. Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) Intervention in Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
Hodaya Dahan^{1,2}, Alon Sinai¹, Lior Lev-Tov^{1,2,3}
¹Neurosurgery, Rambam Medical Center, ²Faculty of Medicine, Technion, ³Faculty of Bio-Medical Engineering, Technion, Haifa, Technion, Israel
5. Endoscopic Management of Large Intracranial Cysts: Surgical Indications and Anatomical Revelations
Michael Farberov¹, Samuel Samuel², Jacob Zauberman³
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, ²Skull Base Neurosurgery, ³Pediatric Neurosurgery, Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel
6. Cortical Unihemispheric Brain Edema (CUBE) Syndrome Secondary to Multi-System Inflammatory Syndrome (MIS) Necessitating Decompressive Craniectomy in An Adult: A Case Report and Literature Review
Segev Gabay, Oz Haim
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel
7. Tumor Regression in a Newborn with High Grade Neuroepithelial Tumor
Rotem Hershkovitch¹, Moatasim Shweiki¹, Yakov Fellig², Shalom Michowiz¹
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8. Case Report: "The Hidden Dangers of the Everyday: A Domestic Kitchen Device Transforms into a Lethal Force, Causing Severe Orbital-Cranial Trauma"
Shaimaa Khamaisi, Shadi Hayek, Gill E. Sviri
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa, Israel
9. Midline High Grade Glioma in Spinal Cord Mimicking Inflammatory Process: Retrospective Review with Emphasis on Imaging Sequence Diagnosis
Leah Morejon¹, Moatazem Shweiki², Andres Vargas³
¹Dept. of Neurosurgery, ²Pediatric Neurosurgery, ³Spine Division Neurosurgery, Hadassah Ein Kerem, Jerusalem, Israel
10. Late Failure of Everolimus in a Patient with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex after 10 Years of Effective Response: An Illustrative Case
Carla Richetta¹, Shlomi Constantini¹, Rina Dvir², Jonathan Roth¹
¹Pediatric Neurosurgery, Dana Children's Hospital, Tel Aviv Medical Center
²Pediatric of Hemato-Oncology, Dana Children's Hospital, Tel Aviv Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel
11. The Use of Intraventricular Na-Nitroprusside in Treatment Refractory Vasospasm
Haill Salame, Jean Francois Soustiel
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Galilee Medical Center, Israel
12. Interchangeable Use of Digital Adjustment Tools for Calibrating Variable-Pressure Cerebrospinal Fluid Valves - A Safety Concern That Should Be Addressed
Haggai Suisa, Sergey Abeshaus
Dept. of Neurosurgery, Galilee Medical Center, Nahariya, Israel
13. The Multifaced Impact of Volunteering in an Israeli Neurosurgery Department Following the October 7th Mass Casualty Attack
Gabriella Vulakh¹, Jonathan Roth^{2,3}, Sigal Freedman²
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