



EpiCARE

ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM

Barcelona, Spain

June, 17th - 19th 2024

Abba Garden hotel

C. de Sta. Rosa, 33,
08950 Barcelona

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

Monday, June 17th 2024

8h30-10h30 **Meeting of the Executive Committee**

10h30-11h00 **Coffee break**

11h00-13h00 **Meeting of the Executive Committee**

14h00 **Opening ERN EpiCARE Annual Meeting**

Meetings of EpiCARE work groups - Session 1: (parallel sessions)

- Pre-surgical evaluations & surgery (WG8) - **Sala Güell**
- Neonatal Seizures & Epilepsies (WG9) - **Sala Tibidabo**
- National Networks & JARDIN project (WG10) - **Sala Cervantes**
- GenEp Algorithm - **Sala Montjuïc**

Meetings of EpiCARE work groups - Session 2: (parallel sessions)

- Neuroimaging (WG3) - **Sala Montjuïc**
- Neurophysiology (WG4) - **Sala Tibidabo**
- Clinical trials & Targeted therapies (WG7) - **Sala Cervantes**
- Education & Training (WG14) - **Sala Güell**

Meetings of EpiCARE work groups - Session 3: (parallel sessions)

- Clinical Genetics (WG2) & Genetic Research (WG16) (joint meeting) - **Sala Tibidabo**
- Neuropsychology (WG5) & Epilepsy Beyond Seizures (WG18) (joint meeting) - **Sala Güell**
- Neuropathology (WG6) - **Sala Montjuïc**
- Registries, Data Sharing (WG12), Case discussions / CPMS (W11) (joint meeting) - **Sala Cervantes**

19h30 **Networking dinner.** Meet us at the hotel's reception at 19h30.

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, June 18th - **General Assembly: [LINK](#)**

08h30-09h45	Welcome and Executive Committee report.
09h45-10h15	EpiCARE centres Performance Indicator System
10h15-10h45	Coffee Break
10h45-11h00	Becoming familiar with the version 2.0 CPMS
11h00- 11h15	The EpiCARE registry: update on SPIDER & next steps
11h15-12h15	WG 19 Patient Advocates development plan. Q&A to the EpiCARE patient advocates (ePAGs)
12h15-13h30	Q&A to EpiCARE Work Group leaders on ongoing projects and actions
13h30-14h45	Networking Buffet lunch
14h45-15h45	Invited lecture: Brain organoids as a model in developmental epilepsy. - Sandra Acosta <i>Institute of Neurosciences, Pathology and Experimental Therapeutics Dept, University of Barcelona. Functional Neurogenomics Group, Neurodevelopmental Disorders, IDIBELL.</i>
15h45-16h45	Preparing the Delphi study on definition of Level III-IV Epilepsy Care Centres in Europe. (presented by WG10)
17h00-18h00	Pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions in the treatment of Infantile Epileptic Spasms Sd. - Marietta Papadopoulou <i>WG13 TF leader</i>
18h00- 18h30	Other topics
18h30	Free networking evening

Wednesday, June 19th 2024

Parallel working sessions	
09h00-12h30	• Patient Advocates (WG19) - Sala Güell • Guidelines (WG13) - Sala Cervantes • Neuropsychology Paediatric section (WG5) - Sala Tibidabo • GenEp Algorithm - Sala Montjuïc
12h30	End of the EpiCARE 2024 Annual Meeting

WORKING GROUP SESSIONS

Monday, June 17th 2024

14h00-15h30 - Meetings of EpiCARE work groups - Session 1

Pre-surgical evaluations & surgery (WG8)

Chairs: Philippe Ryvlin, Sylvain Rheims

Liaison: Martin Geroldinger

Sala: Güell

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- Joint Guideline Production on Epilepsy Surgery and Neuromodulation – Status Quo and Protocol Discussion.
- Cross-WG Topics of Research, Neuroimaging and Neurophysiology.
- Updates from the Paros Epilepsy Meeting.

Neonatal Seizures & Epilepsies (WG9)

Chairs: Ronit Pressler, Carmen Fons, Geraldine Boylan

Liaison: Nicola Openshaw-Lawrence

Sala: Tibidabo

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- Survey on diagnosing neonatal seizures.
- Defining seizure burden.
- Neonatal registry.

National Networks & JARDIN Project (WG10)

Chairs: Retta Kalviainen, Katarzyna Kotulska

Liaison: Belén Trebino

Sala: Cervantes

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- Mapping of the epilepsy care pathways in EU - results of the survey and interviews.
- Preparing the Delphi study on definition of Level III-IV Epilepsy Care Centres in Europe.

GenEp Algorithm

Chairs: Marietta Papadopoulou, Stefan Ramm

Liaison: Sébile Tchaicha

Sala: Montjuïc

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Diagnostic Educational Tool for Genetic Epilepsies

15h45-17h15 - Meetings of EpiCARE work groups - Session 2

Neuroimaging (WG3)

Chairs: Petr Marusič, Sophie Adler

Liaison: Laura Roig

Sala: Montjuïc

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Optimising MRI for epilepsy surgery meetings

- Neuroimaging workshops.
- Radiology re-review for Epilepsy Surgery Meeting.
- MRI post-processing for the Epilepsy Surgery Meeting.
- Survey on harmonisation of MRI protocols in EpiCARE centres.

Neurophysiology (WG4)

Chairs: Sandor Beniczky, Elena Tartara

Liaison: Laura Roig

Sala: Tibidabo

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Update and discussion of new projects:

- Update on the PROMAESIS project.
- Update on the SCORE-ICU project.
- Open discussion about new projects.

WORKING GROUP SESSIONS

Clinical trials & Targeted therapies (WG7)

Chairs: Rainer Surges, Floor Jansen, Valentina De Giorgis

Liaison: Sébile Tchaicha

Sala: Cervantes

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Support and advice for medical trials and targeted treatment: identification of unmet needs

- Update on actions done (DTA, Webinars, ECET) // Interactive presentation.
- Update on SIG (Special Interest Groups) (10 min each): Tuberous Sclerosis, Methodology of Trials, Ketogenic Diet, Autoimmune disease & N-of-1 Trials.

Education & Training (WG14)

Chairs: Maša Malenica, Ronit Pressler

Liaison: Martin Geroldinger

Sala: Güell

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What EpiCARE can do for YOU?

The latest Education & Training updates and news.

- EpiCARE webinars - themes and plans for next year. Making webinars a deliverable for each WG
- Mentor Mentee programme.
- Cross ERN activities - postgraduate course and webinars.
- ePAG involvement.
- Nurses educational activities.

17h30-19h00 - Meetings of EpiCARE work groups - Session 3

Clinical Genetics (WG2) & Genetic Research (WG16)(joint meeting)

Chairs: Rima Nabbout, Rikke Moller, Gaetan Lesca, Renzo Guerrini

Liaison: Sébile Tchaicha

Sala: Tibidabo

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- Update on WG2 and WG16 activities.
- Collaborative genetic Research Webpage.
- Case Discussions/training sessions.
- Content of Workshop on Genetics of the epilepsy.
- Nexus platform.
- Gene panels use and harmonisation.
- Multidisciplinary efforts for optimal genetic testing.
- Genetic testing in focal structural and non-structural epilepsies.

Neuropsychology (WG5) & Epilepsy Beyond Seizures (WG18) (joint meeting)

Chairs: Christoph Helmstaedter, Andrea Palacio, Morten Lossius, Sergiusz Jóźwiak

Liaison: Nicola Openshaw-Lawrence and Belén Trebino

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- Presentation of participants and other proposals to be included on the agenda today.
- Report on TRANSITION survey and next steps.
- Case Discussions and Creation of a Neuropsychologist's list of experts for CPMS.
- Paediatric comorbidities project (for information).
- Paediatric age-related set of tests for clinical trials project (for information).
- Consensus on neuropsychological report forms and coding system: how to proceed?
- Report on PICOM survey and creation of a SIG on Diagnostic gaps in the assessment of severely impaired patients: aims, deliverables and time schedule.
- Brief report on published comorbidities survey (Henning et al 2022) and next steps.

WORKING GROUP SESSIONS

Neuropathology (WG6)

Chairs: Ingmar Bluemcke, Angelika Mühlebner

Liaison: Laura Roig

Sala: Montjuïc

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WG Neuropathology Report

- Our postsurgical case discussions.
- Progress of the LEAT taskforce.
- Possibilities of an open access online classifier.

Registries, Data Sharing (WG12), Case discussions / CPMS (W11)

Chairs: Lieven Lagae and Nicola Specchio

Liaison: Nicola Openshaw-Lawrence

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Open session to ask your questions on the Registry, Data sharing and Case Discussion processes, to Nicola Openshaw-Lawrence (CPMS Project Manager) and Johanna Van Hulle (Registry and Data Manager). Such as: migration to CPMS 2.0, MRI reviewing, thematic based case discussion sessions, and up to date lists of experts and expertise.

Wednesday, June 19th 2024

09h00-12h30

Patient Advocates (WG19)

Chairs: Isabella Brambilla

Liaison: Nicola Openshaw-Lawrence,

Laura Roig

Sala: Güell

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- Patient journeys and leaflets plan.
- Survey for rare and Complex Epilepsy.
- 2025 Face to Face meeting.

Guidelines (WG13)

Chairs: Eugen Trinko, Teia Kobulashvili

Liaison: Martin Geroldinger

Sala: Cervantes

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Pre-surgical evaluation Guidelines WG

- Organizational Aspects and Roles of the WG Members.
- CPG Protocol – Finalization and Open Discussion.
- CPG Protocol – Next Steps and Work Distribution.
- Next Steps and Timeline.

Neuropsychology Paediatric section (WG5)

Chairs: Andrea Palacio, Anna Lopez

Liaison: Nicola Openshaw-Lawrence

Sala: Tibidabo

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- A European consensus on Pediatric Neuropsychological Assessment in pediatric epilepsy surgery candidates.
- Do we have enough standardised instruments. available for remote assessments in children? Pros and cons of online sessions.

GenEp Algorithm

Chairs: Marietta Papadopoulou, Stefan Rammpp

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Diagnostic Educational Tool for Genetic Epilepsies

For more information visit the EpiCARE INTRANET: <https://epi-care.eu/connexion/>.

If you don't have an account, you can register directly on EpiCARE website.

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