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Middle East North Africa Committee For
Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis

THIRD MENACTRIMS CONGRESS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2017 MAIN HALL

08:30-10:30 Session I: Immunopathology and Natural History		
08:30-08:55	Immunology of MS: What is new?	N. Grigoriadis
08:55-09:20	From Pathology to MRI: How do they correlate?	N. De Stefano
09:20-09:45	The Natural History of MS: Are we changing it with modern therapies?	P. Rieckmann
09:45-10:10	The New 2017 McDonald Criteria	S. Schippling
10:10-10:30	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:00 Opening Ceremony		
11:00-11:45 Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Sanofi)		
11:45-13:30 Lunch Break		
13:30-14:50 Session II: ECF Symposium: Women and MS		
13:30-13:50	Sexual Hormones and the Immune System	P. Vermersch
13:50-14:10	Effects of Pregnancy on MS	B. Yamout
14:10-14:30	MS Treatments and Fertility	A. Boyko
14:30-14:50	MS Treatments and Pregnancy	M.P. Amato
14:50-15:15	Coffee Break	
15:15-16:00 Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Biogen)		
16:00-17:20 Session III: MRI in MS		
16:00-16:25	Recent Advances in Imaging MS	T. Yousry
16:25-16:40	Differentiating MS from Mimics	M.A. Sahaian
16:40-17:05	Neuromyelitis Optica: Imaging and Diagnostic Criteria	P. Vermersch
17:05-17:20	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	

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08:30-09:15 Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Novartis)		
09:15-10:35 Session IV: Treatment of MS		
09:15-09:40	Progressive MS: The era of treatment?	G. Giovannoni
09:40-09:55	Defining What is Working: When to switch?	M. Zakaria
09:55-10:20	Treatment of Relapsing Remitting MS: What is new?	L. Kappos
10:20-10:35	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	
10:35-10:55	Coffee Break	
10:55-12:15 Session V: New Strategies in MS Therapy		
10:55-11:20	Escalation vs. Induction in the Treatment of MS	R. Alroughani
11:20-11:45	Stem Cell Transplantation in MS: Where do we stand?	M. Freedman
11:45-12:00	Safety of New MS Therapies	S. Bohlega
12:00-12:15	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	
12:15-13:00 Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Roche)		
13:00-14:00 Lunch Break		
14:00-15:20 Session VI: Biomarkers and Genetics in MS		
14:00-14:25	Biomarkers in MS	S. Khoury
14:25-14:40	MS in North Africa: Is it different from MS in the West?	R. Gouider
14:40-15:05	Update on Genetics and Pharmacogenomics in MS	A. Boyko
15:05-15:20	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	
15:20-15:50 Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Merck)		
15:50-16:00 Coffee Break		
16:00-17:20 Session VII: Clinical Issues in MS		
16:00-16:25	Pediatric MS	T. Chitins
16:25-16:40	Comparison of Quality of Life in MS Patients (2006-2016)	I. Slassi Sennou
16:40-17:05	The Longterm Follow-up of CIS: Can we predict future course?	M. Al Khawajah
17:05-17:20	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	

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NURSING SYMPOSIUM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2017 AL AMWAJ

09:00-10:30		Session I
09:00-09:45	Defining an MS Team	T. Burke
09:45-10:30	Back to Basics	J. Massouh
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-13:00		Session II
10:45-11:30	Pharmacology in MS	M. Zeineddine
11:30-12:15	Evaluating and Assessing the Burden of MS	T. Burke
12:15-13:00	<i>Case Studies and Discussion</i>	
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-14:30	Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Merck)	
14:30-15:00	Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Roche)	
15:00-15:30	Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Sanofi)	
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00-16:30	Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Novartis)	
16:30-17:00	Satellite Symposium (Sponsored by Biogen)	

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MSIF SESSION SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2017 AL NOOR

14:00-15:30 Session I: The Global MS Movement: How to get involved		
14:00-14:45	MSIF's New 2017-2021 Global Strategy	Z. Burr
14:45-15:30	Seven Principles to Improve Quality of Life with MS	A. Ibrahim
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00-17:30 Session II: MS Organizations and Research in MENA region		
16:00-16:30	Key Research Updates from MENACTRIMS Congress	R. Alroughani
16:30-17:00	Cooperation between Physicians and Patient Societies	S. Noori
17:00-17:30	Fundraising for MS Societies in the MENA Region	V. Nassar