

11TH SAUDI NEUROSCIENCES SYMPOSIUM AND 3RD ANNUAL MEETING OF SAUDI CHAPTER OF EPILEPSY



The meeting was held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from 5-7th March 2002. The main themes of the meeting were epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, cerebrovascular disorders, headache syndromes, pediatric neurology, neuropathic pain, neurosurgery and neuroimaging. The 3rd Annual Meeting of the Saudi Chapter of Epilepsy discussed different aspects of epilepsy including semiology, diagnosis, management, and surgical treatment. Besides gaining knowledge, acquiring skills and teaching the juniors, attendees enjoyed meeting colleagues and building up new friendships. All enjoyed the fantastic city of Jeddah with its beach, shopping centers and the hospitality of its residents. Jeddah is also very close to the Holy cities of Makkah and Madinah. The meeting was well attended by Neurosciences staff, not only from the Kingdom, but also from neighboring countries. In addition to the excellent high caliber program attendees enjoyed the friendly and generous atmosphere and unforgettable social program. Dr. Hussein Mohamed Malibary, was the Chairman of the Organizing committee. He had an excellent organizing committee that included Dr. Ayman Emam Hassa, Dr. Saleh Baesa, Dr. Mohamed M. S. Jan and Dr. Sattam Lingawi. Definitely, their work, including the exquisite social program, exceeded the expectations of all attendees.

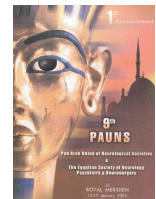


Hussein Malibary

Dr. Malibary is a Consultant Neurologist and Faculty staff member at King Abdulaziz University Hospital since 1982, and member of the Higher Committee of the University Hospital Administration. He held the post of Chairman of the Department of Medicine in the University more than once from 1992 to 1998. He is the Program Director and General Supervisor for the Saudi Board of Neurology in Western KSA. He is a part-time Neurology Consultant at Bakhsh Hospital in Jeddah since 1991. He is an active academician and a scholar with many publications nationally and

internationally. His charm is not only in his personality but his excellent knowledge and administrative skills. During the conference he acted like a father, a friend and a peer to all participants and ensured that all had a perfect stay. He definitely made the 11th meeting, not only a successful symposium but also a memorable event.

9TH PAUNS - PAN ARAB UNION OF NEUROLOGICAL SOCIETIES & THE EGYPTIAN SOCIETY OF NEUROLOGY, PSYCHIATRY & NEURO-SURGERY



The Egyptian Society for Neurology, Psychiatry & Neurosurgery will host the prestigious conference of the 9th Pan Arab Union of Neurological Sciences. The meeting will be held from 13-17 January 2003 and the new Meridien Cairo will be the venue. Modern Cairo is the center of culture and commerce of the Middle East and Africa. Egypt as a historic place, offers hundreds of places to see. Many international meetings have been held here dating back to its foundation 50 years ago.

The 9th PAUNS conference will be joint with the Annual meeting of the Egyptian Society for Neurology, Psychiatry & Neurosurgery. Professor Mohamed Anwar Etribi will be the President of the conference which will be held under the auspices of the World Federation of Neurology. He was the chairman of the organizing committee for the last Egyptian Society in Neurology in 2002 which he organized with great success. Professor Etribi promises that the meeting will be of great academic value. The scientific program will include teaching courses, early morning and plenary sessions with the most up to date knowledge. The meeting will also cover new areas such as brain catheterization and Neuro rehabilitation. Early registrations and abstracts are hoped to be received from all members of PAUNS to insure the success of the meeting. Early registration will ensure many advantages such as a free trip to the fabulous Sharm ElSheikh Red Sea Resort Area. The president of the World Federation of Neurology, Jun Kimura, and Saleh Al-Deeb, President of the PAUNS will attend the meeting and offer their full support on the behalf of their societies.



Mohamed Etribi

Professor Etribi graduated from Ain Shams University, Cairo in 1969, and continued his training in Egypt until 1975 and then in the United Kingdom until 1982. He is Chairman of the Department of Neurology at Ain Shams University, Cairo where he is also Director of the Neurocritical Care Unit. He is also Honorary President of

the Egyptian Society for Neurology, Psychiatry and Neurosurgery and Vice President of the World Federation of Neurorehabilitation. He has written 2 books; Manual of Neurological Examination and Lecture Notes for Undergraduates.



25TH INTERNATIONAL EPILEPSY CONGRESS, TUNIS, OCTOBER 2003

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the International League against Epilepsy and the International Bureau of Epilepsy. This is first time such a meeting will be held in any Arab country and is due to the hard work and the international respect Professor Amel Mrabet has established worldwide. Professor Mrabet will be the Chairman of the International Organizing Committee and the Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Committee. All members of PAUNS feel proud that such an event will take place in Tunisia and admire Professor Mrabet and the Organizing Committee for undertaking such a great event. All members of PAUNS feel committed to give her their utmost

support to this event. Professor Mrabet wishes to assure everybody that the congress in Tunis will be an extremely topical and relevant event. Seven main topics will be discussed including 5 medical topics (surgery for children with epilepsy, epilepsy research in post genomic areas, transmissible diseases, diagnostic and treatment needs in developing countries, status epilepticus and its consequences). The 2 social topics will be quality of life for children with epilepsy and epilepsy and problems in learning and behavior. Parallel and simultaneous sessions, workshops and breakfast seminars will also enhance the congress discussions. Tunis will offer its visitors various choices of entertainment, sight-seeing; Le Bardo museum, Carthage, Sidi Bou Said, the art of living; ancient town, tunisian music, traditional costumes, carpets, potteries, and Mediterranean and Tunisian food. During pre and post congress tours, you will also enjoy the 1300 kms of beaches, the southern desert and palm groves, and the northern mountains and cork tree forests. Tunisia is only 1- 2 hours flight away from Europe and parts of the Arab world.

Professor Amel Mrabet obtained her medical degree in 1979 and afterwards specialized in neurology in the Faculty of Medicine and Pharmacie of Tunis. She is Professor of Neurology at the University of Tunis and Head of the Department of Neurology of Charles Nicolle Hospital in Tunis. She is research director of the Epilepsy Unit in Charles Nicolle Hospital and President of the Tunisian Association Against Epilepsy, member of the ILAE and IBE. She has published approximately 100 scientific papers and reviews focusing primarily on epilepsy, epidemiology of epilepsy, anti-epileptic drugs, genetic aspects of juvenile myoclonic epilepsy, Unverricht Lundborg Disease and idiopathic epilepsies. She is married with 4 children.



Amel Mrabet