

NASA 2025 CONGRESS		
Scientific Programme (subject to change)		
TIME	TOPIC	CHAIRS
WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY 2025		
07h30	REGISTRATION FOR MORNING WORKSHOP	
08h00- 12:00	<u>STROKE</u>	DR PATTY FRANCIS AND PROF AHMED BHIGJEE
08h00- 08h45	MECHANICAL THROMBECTOMY IN SOUTH AFRICA: QUO VADIS	DR ROHEN HARRICHANDPARSAD (neurosurgeon IALCH) PROF RUFUS AKINYEMI DR PATTY FRANCIS AND ASIA PACIFIC SPEAKER TBC
08h45-09h15	GENETICS OF STROKE IN AFRICANS	
09h15-10h30	A GENERAL NEUROLOGIST’S APPROACH TO SMALL VESSEL DISEASE	
10h30-11h00	TEA BREAK	
11h00-12h00	TOPIC TBA	CRAIG ANDERSON & BIJOY MENON
12:00 - 12:30	LUNCH BREAK	
12:30 - 13:00	REGISTRATION FOR AFTERNOON WORKSHOP	
13:00-16:30	<u>GENETICS</u>	DR FERZANA AMOD AND CO-CHAIR (TBC)
13:00-13:50	GENETICS TESTS FROM THE BEDSIDE TO LABORATORY	PROF SORAYA BARDIEN
13:50-14:00	Q&A	
14:00-14:50	CLINICAL CASES AND INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS RELEVANT TO NEUROLOGY	PROF MOOSA
14:50-15:00	Q&A	
15:00-15:50	PROTEIN MISFOLDING DISEASE - GENETICS OF DEMENTIA SYNDROMES	PROF PENELOPE GREENSTEIN
15:50-16:00	Q&A	
16:00-16:30	HD GENETICS	PROF JONATHAN CARR
17:00	REGISTRATION FOR CONGRESS OPENS	
16:00 - 17:00	CMSA MEETING FOR HODs	
17:30	WELCOME CEREMONY	
	Chairpersons:	DR PATTY FRANCIS & PROF VINOD PATEL
17:30 - 17:40	WELCOME	
17:40 – 18:10	PROF PLA BILL	
18:10 – 18:40	PROF ANAND MOODLEY	
18:45 – 21:00	DINNER	
THURSDAY 8TH MAY		
07:30 - 08:25	INDUSTRY SESSION – ROCHE Morning Symposium	
	TOPIC TBA	SPEAKER TBA
08:30 - 10:30	SESSION 1 PERIPHERAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	
	Chairpersons:	PROF PLA BILL AND DR KAMINIE MOODLEY
08:30 - 09:10	UNRAVELLING INFLAMMATORY NEUROPATHIES	PROF SIMON RINALDI
09:10 - 09:50	NO LONGER JUST GLOVES AND STOCKINGS	DR KAMINIE MOODLEY
09:50 – 10:30	EXPERIMENTAL AND EMERGING THERAPIES FOR INFLAMMATORY NEUROPATHIES	PROF SIMON RINALDI
10:30 - 11:00	TEA BREAK	
11:00 - 13:00	SESSION 2 MOVEMENT	
	Chairpersons	DR FERZANA AMOD AND PROF ANDRE MOCHAN
11:00 - 11:30	MOTOR AND NON-MOTOR SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT IN PARKINSON’S DISEASE	PROF RAY CHAUDHURI
11:30 - 12:00	PARKINSON’S DISEASE – A SOUTH AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE	DR FERZANA AMOD
12:00 - 12:45	NEW THERAPIES FOR PARKINSON’S DISEASE – VIDEO SESSION	PROF KAROLINA POPLAWSKA-DOMASZEWICZ
12:45 - 13:00	QA	
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH & MERCK INDUSTRY SESSION	

14:00 - 16:00	SESSION 3 THE BIGGER PICTURE Chairpersons:	PROF LAWRENCE TUCKER AND DR PATTY FRANCIS
14:00 - 14:45	IMPOSTER SYNDROME – AN ACCIDENTAL MOVEMENT DISORDER EXPERT AND LESSONS FOR MS PREVENTION	PROF GAVIN GIOVANNONI
14:45 - 15:05	ASOC UPDATE – THE SIREN PROJECT	PROF RUFUS AKINYEMI
15:05 - 15:30	WFN UPDATE – BRAIN HEALTH GLOBAL ACTION PLAN	PROF TISSA WIJERATNE
15:30 - 16:00	ARE WE WIRED TO BELIEVE?	DR DOMINIC GIAMPAOLO
16:00 - 16:30	TEA BREAK	
16:30 - 17:30	NASA AGM	
18:30 - 20:30	INDUSTRY SESSION – CIPLA Evening Symposium Topic TBA	Speaker TBA
18:30	International Faculty Dinner	

FRIDAY 9 MAY 2025

07:30 - 08:25	INDUSTRY SESSION – DR REDDY’S Morning Symposium – REN	DR MICHAEL HUTH, DR JOHAN SMUTS, DR SHAHEED GORA TBC
08:30 - 10:30	SESSION 4 NEUROCRITICAL CARE	PROF ANAND MOODLEY AND PROF GIRISH MODI
08:30 - 09:10	HOLISTIC NEUROCRITICAL CARE: BEYOND THE BRAIN	DR HM CASSIMJEE
09:10 - 09:50	DE-MYSTIFYING CONSCIOUSNESS	DR SELINA SEWPERSAD
09:50 - 10:20	MONITORING IN NEUROCRITICAL CARE	DR DHIREN SADHABIRISS
10:20 - 10:30	Q/A	
10:30 - 11:00	TEA BREAK	
11:00 - 13:00	SESSION 5 HEADACHE Chairpersons:	DR MICHAEL HUTH AND DR IRSHAD SIDDI GANIE TBC
11:00 - 11:30	GLOBAL BURDEN OF DISEASE	PROF TISSA WIJERATNE
11:30 - 12:30	MIGRAINE GENETICS AND CASE STUDIES	PROF GREENSTEIN
12:30 - 13:00	FOCUS ON HEADACHE IN AFRICA AND ASIA – UNIQUE CHALLENGES	PROF TISSA WIJERATNE
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH - SANOFI INDUSTRY SESSION	
14:00 - 16:00	SESSION 6 EPILEPSY Chairpersons: TBA	DR JAMES BUTLER AND PROF DALI MAGAZI
14:00 - 14:45	MANAGEMENT OF PATIENTS WITH MEDICALLY REFRACTORY SEIZURES (ETHICS)	DR JAMES BUTLER
14:45 - 15:30	SUDEP (ETHICS)	PROF LAWRENCE TUCKER
15:30 - 16:00	CLINICAL UTILITY OF INTERICTAL AND ICTAL EEG RECORDING IN PRACTICE – A SERIES OF CASES	DR JAMES BUTLER AND DR SMITHA BHAGWAN
16:00 - 16:30	TEA BREAK	
16:00 - 17:00	ADJUDICATED POSTER SESSION	
19:00	CONGRESS DINNER & AWARDS	

SATURDAY 10TH

07:30 - 08:25	INDUSTRY SESSION – ACINO Morning Symposium	
08:30 - 11:00	SESSION GENERAL NEUROLOGY Chairpersons:	PROF VINOD PATEL AND PROF MANDISA KAKAZA
08:30 - 09:30	ANGELS STROKE SESSION	TBC
09:30 - 10:15	SPINAL NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASE	PROF VINOD PATEL
10:15 - 10:30	TEA BREAK	
10:30 - 11:30	POST STROKE SPASTICITY ONABOTULINUM TOXIN 101	DR DOMINIC GIAMPAOLO
11:30 - 12:15	ETHICS – “MY MEDICAL AID SAYS YOU MUST WRITE A MOTIVATION”	DR NAAZIM SIDDI GANIE
12:15 - 13:00	CLOSING REMARKS	
13:00	TEA/LUNCH	