



Saturday Jan 11th - Day 1 - Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences, (MBRU) Ground Floor - Main Auditorium

08:00 - 09:00 AM	Registration	
09:00 - 09:10 AM	Opening remarks	Dr. Ammar Safar, UAE
09:15 - 10:15 AM	Uveitis Session	Chair: Dr. Fahd Quhill
09:20 - 09:35 AM	Local therapies in Uveitis. Indication, pitfalls and efficacy	Dr Igor Kozak, USA
09:35 - 09:50 AM	Biologic Agents in Uveitis: Efficacy and Safety in Long-Term Use	Dr. Aniruddha Agarwal, UAE
09:50 - 10:05 AM	Challenges in Uveitis Treatment: Managing Refractory Cases and Long-term Complications	Dr. Fahd Quhill, UAE
10:05 - 10:15 AM	Panel Discussion	
10:15 - 10:50 AM	Keynote Presentation Robots and stem cells - the future of retinal surgery	Chair: Dr. Ammar Safar, UAE Prof. Lyndon Da Cruz, UK
10:50 - 11:10 AM	Break	

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11:10 - 12:10 PM Medical Retina Session 1 Chair: Dr. Fahd Quhill	11:30 - 12:30 PM Ocular Surface Disease Chair: Dr. Alia Issa	11:30 - 12:30 PM Allied Health Session Chair: Mr Taisear Alqwaqezah Ms Lisa Curran
11:10 - 11:25 AM Peripheral Exudative Hemorrhagic Chorioretinopathy (PEHCR): Diagnostic Challenges and Treatment Innovations Dr. Avinash Gurbaxani, UK	11:30 - 11:42 PM Special contact lenses in complex corneal situations Dr. Rahul Raghav, UAE	11:30 - 12:00 PM Reduced Vision : Differential diagnosis and investigation Ms. Katie Geraghty, UAE
11:25 - 11:40 AM Treatment of Geographic atrophy, is it worth it? Prof. Gemmy Cheung, Singapore	11:42 - 11:55 PM Ocular surface and Oxidative stress Dr. Hachemi Nezzar, UAE	12:00 - 12:30 PM Photodynamic Therapy - the role of an ophthalmic nurse Ms. Kamla Jamal, UAE
11:40 - 11:55 PM Retinal Vein Occlusion: New Strategies and Insights Dr. Fahd Quhill, UAE	11:55 - 12:07 PM The cicatrising cornea Dr. Sajjad Ahmad, UK	
11:55 - 12:10 PM Panel Discussion	12:07 - 12:19 PM Pterygium surgery: how to prevent and treat recurrent Prof. Harminder S Dua, UK	
12:10 - 12:40 PM Sponsor talk - Bayer	12:19 - 12:30 PM Panel Discussion	

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12:40 - 01:40 PM Vitreoretinal Surgery Session 1 : Questions to be Answered Chair: Dr Alaa Attawan	12:30 - 01:30 PM Paediatrics Session Chair: Dr. Suhair Twaij	12:30 - 01:30 PM Education Session Chair: Ms Katy Naylor
12:40 - 12:55 PM Posterior pole Retinal detachment in myopes - a difficult surgical problem Prof. Lyndon Da Cruz, UK	12:30 - 12:40 PM Does one injection solve Retinopathy of Prematurity? Dr. Irfan Khan, UAE	12:30 - 12:45 PM Education - the changing landscape Ms. Katy Naylor
12:55 - 01:10 PM IOL Scleral fixation: Prerequisites for an ideal surgical technique. Is there one? Dr. Nicola Ghazi, UAE	12:40 - 12:50 PM Tips on Paediatric Glaucoma: a perspective from a glaucoma specialist Prof. Konrad Schargel, KSA	12:45 - 01:00 PM Ophthalmic Education & Teaching - Digital and Technological Advances Dr. Hari Jayaram, UK
01:10 - 01:25 PM Flying with Gas. Correlation between altitude and IOP change in gas filled eyes post retinal surgery - UK and UAE data Dr. Alaa Attawan, UAE	12:50 - 01:00 PM Paediatric Retinal Disorders Dr. Imran Jawaid, UAE	01:00 - 01:15 PM The Unseen Revolution: How AI is Quietly Transforming Medical Education Prof. Nabil Zary, UAE
01:25 - 01:40 PM Panel discussion	01:00 - 01:10 PM Common Orbital Lesions in children Dr. Manoj Parulekar, UK	
01:40 - 02:40 PM Lunch	01:10 - 01:30 PM Panel Discussion	01:15 - 01:30 PM Panel Discussion
02:40 - 03:00 PM Sponsor Talk	01:30 - 02:30 PM Lunch	01:30 - 02:30 PM Lunch
03:00 - 04:00 PM Vitreoretinal Session 2 : Case Studies Variety of Vitreoretinal Surgical cases and videos to be presented and discussed Chair: Dr. Ammar Safar	02:30 - 03:30 PM Glaucoma Session Chair: Dr. Salman Waqar	02:30 - 03:30 PM Research - Posters Session Chair: Ms Katie Geraghty
03:00 - 03:10 PM Surgical video Case 1 and Discussion Dr. Patricia Udaondo, Spain	02:30 - 02:45 PM Direct SLT: is it the future of laser treatment in glaucoma? Dr. Hari Jayaram, UK	Myopia posters
03:10 - 03:20 PM Surgical video Case 2 and Discussion Prof. Lyndon Da Cruz, UK	02:45 - 03:00 PM Managing the highs and lows of Paediatric Glaucoma Prof. Konrad Schargel, KSA	Ramadan and fasting poster
03:20 - 03:30 PM Surgical video Case 3 and Discussion Dr. Nicola Ghazi, UAE	03:00 - 03:15 PM What's happening in the laboratory: an update from Moorfields London Dr. Hari Jayaram, UK	Conjunctiva carcinomas poster
03:30 - 03:40 PM Surgical video Case 4 and Discussion Dr. Prasan Rao, UAE		Retina posters
03:40 - 03:50 PM Surgical video Case 5 and Discussion Dr. Ammar Safar, UAE		
03:50 - 04:00 PM Panel Discussion	03:15 - 03:30 PM Panel Discussion	
04:00 - 04:15 PM Break		

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04:15 - 06:15 PM Anti - VEGF Summit Chair: Dr. Ammar Safar and Dr. Alaa Attawan Round table discussion to include the evolvement of various Anti VEGF medications over the past 20 years and their impact on eye care Dr. Ibraheem ElGharabli, Dr. Prasan Rao, Dr. Usman Mahmoud, Dr. Ahmed El Khashab, Prof. Michael Stewart, Prof. Arshad Khanani, Prof. Gemmy Cheung, Dr. Patricia Udaondo, Dr. Imran Jawaid, Dr. Nicola Ghazi, Dr. Avinash Gurbaxani, Dr. Fahd Quhill	03:30 - 04:30 PM Cornea Session Chair: Dr. Osama Giledi 03:30 - 03:42 PM Intrastromal Allogenic Implantation for Corneal Re-shaping Dr. Esmail Arbabi, UAE 03:42 - 03:54 PM Optimising ocular surface before and after cataract & refractive surgery Dr. Mukhtar Bizrah, UK 03:55 - 04:07 PM Management of corneal persist epithelial defect Dr. Sajjad Ahmad, UK 04:07 - 04:19 PM Dealing with resistant infective keratitis Prof. Harminder S Dua, UK 04:20 - 04:30 PM Panel Discussion 04:30 - 04:45 PM Break 04:45 - 05:45 PM Cataract and Refractive Session Chair: Dr. Esmail Arbabi 04:45 - 05:00 PM Phakic implant in special cases (Presbyopic) Dr. Kamal Kapur, India 05:00 - 05:15 PM Management and avoidance of dysphotopsia Dr. Ahmed Al Saadi, UAE 05:15 - 05:25 PM Is it the time to move from monofocal to monofocal plus for all our patients? Dr. Miguel Morcillo, UAE 05:25 - 05:35 PM Management of refractive error post refractive surgery Dr. Osama Giledi, UAE 05:35 - 05:45 PM Panel Discussion	03:30 - 04:30 PM Safety and Best Practices in Ocular Surgery Chair: Dr. Georges Elias 03:30 - 03:50 PM Quality in Anaesthesia Care Dr. Marie Aouad Maroun, Lebanon 03:50 - 04:10 PM Safety in the Operating Room Dr. Senthil Vijayan, UK 04:10 - 04:30 PM Panel Discussion
06:15 - 06:30 PM Conference Day 1 Close		



Sunday Jan 12th - Day 2 (Virtual day)



04:45 - 04:50 PM Day 2 Opening

05:00 - 06:00 PM Neuro Ophthalmology Session

Chair: Dr. Salma Yassine

05:00 - 05:15 PM 3rd nerve palsies in Children

Dr. Mathieu Robert, France

05:15 - 05:30 PM Nystagmus

Dr. Mays Dairi, USA

05:30 - 05:45 PM An approach to the patient with double vision

Dr. Prem Subramanian, USA

05:45 - 06:00 PM The approach to optic atrophy

Dr. Mike Lee, USA

06:00 - 06:05 PM Break

06:05 - 06:50 PM Oculoplastics Session

Chair: Dr. Rafic Antonios

06:05 - 06:20 PM Thyroid Eye disease: Diagnosis, Management and UAE experience with Teprotumumab

Dr. Khalid Abu Haleeqa, UAE

06:20 - 06:35 PM Pathogenesis and management of lower lid festoons

Dr. Dan Ezra, UK

06:35 - 06:50 PM Recognizing patient at increased risk of complications from cosmetic surgery

Dr. Hachemi Nezzar, UAE

06:50 - 06:55 PM Break

06:55 - 07:45 PM Ocular Oncology Session

Chairs: Dr. Wajiha Kheir

06:55 - 07:05 PM Advances in management of Retinoblastoma

Dr. Matt Wilson, USA

07:05 - 07:15 PM Global Retinoblastoma initiative

Dr. Matt Wilson, USA

07:15 - 07:25 PM Case Presentations

Dr. Wajiha Kheir, Lebanon

07:25 - 07:35 PM Retinoblastoma program in Lebanon

Dr. Christiane Al Haddad, Lebanon

07:35 - 07:40 PM Break



Sunday Jan 12th - Day 2 (Virtual day)



07:40 - 08:40 PM Cataract Session 2

Chair: Dr. Esmaeil Arbabi

07:40 - 07:55 PM The Magnificent EDOF IOL. A new optical design. Visual Results and Patient Satisfaction

[Dr. Kamal Kapur, India](#)

07:55 - 08:10 PM Optimising your phacoemulsification settings for efficiency and safety: Understanding & applying the latest technology

[Dr. Saleh Musaby, UAE](#)

08:10 - 08:25 PM Calculating for success: IOL in troubled eyes

[Dr. Vincenzo Maurino, UK](#)

08:25 - 08:40 PM Panel discussion

08:40 - 08:45 PM Break

08:45 - 09:15 PM Medical Retina Session 2

Chair: Dr. Fahd Quhill

08:45 - 08:55 PM Deceptive Diagnosis: Unmasking Non-Diabetic Causes of Macular Edema

[Prof. Gemmy Cheung, Singapore](#)

08:55 - 09:05 PM The Diagnostic Decoy: Recognizing Central Serous Retinopathy Among Look-Alikes

[Dr. Avinash Gurbaxani, UK](#)

09:05 - 09:15 PM Retinal diseases/maculopathies that can masquerade as neurological causes of vision loss

[Dr. Fahd Quhill, UAE](#)

09:15 - 09:20 PM Closing remarks

[Dr. Ammar Safar](#)