

EPNS Monthly Update: 20 April 2017

Dear EPNS member

This is your monthly email updating you on our EPNS news. Scroll down this email to learn more about:

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12th EPNS Congress: 20-24 June 2017, Lyon, France – Early Bird registration extended until 2nd May 2017

<http://www.epns.imre.es/congress-2017/>

The main theme of the Congress will be '*Lifelong course of diseases of the child's nervous system*'.

Final programme will be available online next week.

Registration fee

- includes: access to all scientific sessions, digital abstract book, lunches on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday as well as the opening ceremony and welcome cocktail on 20 June 2017
- More information <http://www.epns2017.com/registration-information/>

Accommodation:

- June is peak season in Lyon, it is highly recommend you to book a hotel quickly!
- click [here](#) for a map of hotels (walking distance from the "Cité Internationale"-congress venue) and few others reachable by bus.

Remember EPNS members who have paid their 2017 annual subscription fee benefit from significantly discounted member only delegate rates!

If any of your colleagues need more information about becoming a member of the EPNS, please ask them to visit <http://www.epns.jmre.es/> or they are very welcome to send an email to Sue Hargreaves at info@epns.info

2nd EPNS Satellite Symposium on Advances in Neuromodulation in children: Neuronal Networks, Neurophysiology and Neuroplasticity – Registration now open!

- PRE-CONGRESS SYMPOSIUM
- **19 and 20 June 2017**
- Discover the programme http://www.epns2017.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/PRECONGRESSSYMPO_EPNS2017.pdf
- Additional fee of 150€ for congress attendees – 300€ for attending those only attending the symposium.

2nd EPNS Masterclass 2017 – Registration now open!

Following the enormous success of our inaugural 2015 Masterclass we are delighted to host a 2nd EPNS Cambridge Masterclass!

Date: 14 - 16 September 2017

Location: Corpus Christi College, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

Topic: *Functional Disorders – Child Neurology meets Literature*

More details can be viewed <http://www.epns.jmre.es/2nd-epns-master-class-2017/>

Bookings will be taken on a first come first served basis. This will be based on the receipt of the full payment and not the receipt of the completed booking form.

EPNS Visiting Teacher *application period now open!*

Last year we introduced the EPNS Visiting Teacher Scheme and as a result 2 highly successful events took place. Visit <http://www.epns.jmre.es/epns-visiting-teacher-news/> to find out more about:

- Professor Linda DeMeirleir from Belgium visit to Romania
- Dr Petia Dimova from Bulgaria visit to Armenia

If you would like to consider applying for a visit to your country, the period to apply to participate in the 'EPNS Visiting Teacher 2017' scheme is now open! **The closing date is 31 May 2017.**

Please visit our website <http://www.epns.jmre.es/epns-visiting-teacher-2017/> to learn more about the criteria for this exciting new venture for the EPNS.

EPNS Research Meeting 2018: Alicante, Spain *save the date!*

<http://www.epns.jmre.es/epns-research-meeting-2018/>

We are pleased to announce that the 6th EPNS Research Meeting 2018 will be taking place in **Alicante, Spain on 26 – 27 October 2018.** More details to follow!



If you would like to learn more about our EPNS Research Meetings, please visit <http://www.epns.jmre.es/research-meeting-2016/> to see what happened in Essen last year.

EPNS Training Courses 2017: Budapest, Hungary *photos and CONGRATULATIONS TO DR FILIPE PALAVRA AND DR ANA KOSAC!*

<http://www.epns.jmre.es/epns-training-course-2017-budapest/>

The following training courses have now taken place. We await a summary of the evaluation replies, however so far we can report that the event went very well, with great interaction. Thank you to everyone who was involved:

4-5 April 2017: Infantile Metabolic Encephalopathies (IME) and Neonatal Neurology

6-7 April 2017: Neuromuscular disorders



CONGRATULATIONS TO DR FILIPE PALAVRA AND DR ANA KOSAC!

- Dr Filipe Palavra from Portugal awarded for the best participant presentation at the EPNS Teaching Course 2017, Budapest on: Infantile Metabolic Encephalopathies / Neonatal Neurology
- Dr Ana Kosac from Serbia awarded for the best participant presentation at the EPNS Teaching Course 2017, Budapest on: Neuromuscular disorders

EPNS Training Courses 2018: Alicante, Spain *save the date!*

<http://www.epns.jmre.es/epns-training-course-2018-alicante/>

The EPNS has been organising training courses in paediatric neurology since 2003 specifically aiming at trainees but also at qualified paediatric neurologists who want to refresh their knowledge on certain topics. The aim is to cover most main topics in the syllabus over a three-year cycle and to promote contact between individuals in the speciality in different parts of Europe. The course has a highly interactive character and participants are encouraged to bring (difficult) cases to discuss. The number of participants is limited and applicants who wish to attend both courses will be given priority over those who wish to attend one of the two courses. The cycle of training courses 2015-2017 took place in Budapest, Hungary. We are excited to announce that the next cycle of training courses 2018-2020 will take place in beautiful Alicante, Spain.

Program Director: Professor Francisco Carratala, Spain

The first training courses will be held in Alicante: 8 – 11 May 2018. More information to follow.



EPNS Fellowship 2017 - goals

The EPNS has been thrilled to award 6 EPNS Fellowships this year. As promised, we will continue to share updates.

This month here are summaries from 2 EPNS members who have recently been awarded an EPNS Fellowship about their goals:

Dr Thomas Foiadelli from Fondazione IRCCS Policlinico S. Matteo, Italy will be going to UZ Leuven, Belgium:

I feel very honoured to have been awarded an EPNS Fellowship. My main objective for the next months in Leuven (Belgium) is to improve my clinical and semeiological skills in pediatric epilepsy, including video-EEG and polygraphic monitoring interpretation. I wish to gain competence and autonomy in pharmacological and non-pharmacological epilepsy management, and in the multidisciplinary team approach to the pediatric epileptic patient. My particular interest is to study brain neural networks in focal and generalized epilepsy and to focalize on how brain plasticity affects motor, cognitive and imaging aspects after epilepsy surgery. Neonatal neuroprotection and epileptic management in the NICU is also part of my personal interests. Besides, I wish to strengthen my knowledge in neurological development and neuro-rehabilitation, as well as to get confident with the main acute-presenting neurological illnesses

Dr Marta Gomez Garcia de la Banda from Vall d'Hebron University Hospital, Barcelona, Spain will be going to Hopital Raymond Poincare, France:

I am delighted and very grateful to have been awarded an EPNS fellowship! Neuromuscular diseases have always captivated me and I believe that this grant would be an excellent opportunity to hone my skills. I will develop my fellowship in the Neuromuscular Unit of Hôpital Raymond Poincaré, which is the French national reference unit for early-onset neuromuscular disorders. The goal of my project is improving the phenotyping of congenital muscle dystrophies and congenital myopathies under the supervision of Professor Quijano-Roy.

EPNS 2017 annual subscription fees *payments now due!*

The EPNS financial year runs from 1 January until 31 December each year and therefore EPNS annual subscription fees for 2017 are now due!

Thank you to the many members who have already paid. **If you have not paid yet** – please do so as soon as possible.

- Payment can be made via the EPNS website <http://www.epns.info/> by selecting the orange 'I'm a member' button on the right-hand side of the screen.
- Access to the on-line [European Journal of Paediatric Neurology](#) will only be available to members who have paid their 2017 annual fee.
- EPNS members who have paid their 2017 annual subscription fee benefit from significantly discounted member only delegate rates at our EPNS Congress in Lyon 20-24 June 2017

European Journal of Paediatric Neurology (EJPN)

The [European Journal of Paediatric Neurology](#) is the official Journal of the EPNS and is available to all members who have paid their current year subscription fee (either on-line only or printed and on-line access, depending on the fee paid). It is a multi-disciplinary journal publishing exciting clinical and experimental research in this rapidly expanding field. High quality papers written by leading experts encompass all the major diseases including epilepsy, movement disorders, neuromuscular disorders, neurodegenerative disorders and mental retardation.

Please visit <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/10903798> to see the content of the latest issue.

Free copy of 'Principles and practice of child neurology in infancy'

We are delighted to inform you that the EPNS will continue to offer new and existing EPNS members whose fees are paid up to date a free copy of '[Principles and practice of child neurology in infancy](#)' (Kennedy C (Ed.), Mac Keith Press, London, November 2012, recommended retail price £29.95 or €37.44). The 6 Euros postage and packaging cost can be paid in the same manner as the EPNS subscription fees. If you have any queries whatsoever, please Sue on info@epns.info

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EPNS Certificate of Membership

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New EPNS membership

Please continue to encourage your colleagues to join us. A convenient on-line application form is available on our website <http://www.epns.jmre.es/become-an-epns-member/> For more information email Sue on info@epns.info . Many thanks.

Welcome to all our new members! So far this year, 162 new members have joined the society!

EPNS on Twitter!

Please follow us. Our Twitter name is [@EPNSnews](https://twitter.com/EPNSnews)

BPNA Distance Learning in Paediatric Neurology

<http://www.bpna.org.uk/distancelearning/index.php>

EPNS website: Job vacancy section

If you would like to advertise a vacancy for a paediatric neurologist role, please email info@epns.info with the link to the official job advertising site, together with the name, email address and phone number of the person to contact regarding the role and the deadline date for applications.

Please visit <http://www.epns.jmre.es/job-vacancies/> for more information.

Please visit the 'meetings' page of our EPNS website

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As ever, please do not hesitate to contact me at info@epns.info if you have any queries about your EPNS membership.

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