

**4<sup>TH</sup> PROFESSOR EDGAR HOUSEPIAN CLINICAL NEUROSCIENCE CONFERENCE**  
**MODERN EPILEPSY PRACTICE: INNOVATIONS IN DIAGNOSIS, THERAPY AND**  
**OUTCOMES**

**May 21–22, 2026 | Holiday Inn Yerevan – Republic Square, Armenia**

**AGENDA**

<b>DAY 1: Clinical and Diagnostic Perspectives</b>		
<b>08.00 - 08.30</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
08.30 - 08.45	Welcome	Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD Samson Khachatryan, MD, PhD</b>	
08.45 - 09.30	Classification and semiology of seizures Case-based discussion on different seizure types	Alexis Arzimanouglu, MD, Spain
09.30 - 10.15	Seizure semiology in children Video-presentation	Petia Dimova, MD, Bulgaria
10.15 - 11.00	Seizure semiology in adults Video-presentation	Imad Najm, MD, Cleveland, USA
<b>11.00 - 11.15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD Samson Khachatryan, MD, PhD</b>	
11.15 - 12.00	New genes in epilepsy	Alexis Arzimanouglu, MD, Spain
12.00 - 12.45	Epilepsy mimics Video-presentation	Maša Malenica, MD, PhD, Croatia
<b>12.45 - 13.45</b>	<b>Lunch break and networking</b>	
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Niko Arzumanyan, MD Mane Tadevosyan, MD</b>	
13.45 - 15.30	The role of EEG in diagnosis of epilepsy VEEG case demonstration	Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia
15.30 - 16.15	Seizure onset patterns and ictal EEG	Imad Najm, MD, Cleveland, USA
<b>16.15 - 16.30</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Niko Arzumanyan, MD Mane Tadevosyan, MD</b>	
16.30-17.15	MRI protocols and epilepsy lesion detection	Giorgi Kuchukhidze, MD, PhD, Austria
17.15 – 18.00	The imaging of status epileptics	Giorgi Kuchukhidze, MD, PhD, Austria
	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia</b>

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<b>DAY 2: Therapeutic Advances and Surgical Treatment</b>		
<b>08.30 - 08.45</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Biayna Sukhudyan, MD, PhD</b> <b>Sevak Badalyan, MD</b>	
08.45 – 09.30	Pharmacological advances in epilepsy	Maša Malenica, MD, PhD, Croatia
09.30 – 10.15	Precision medicine in epilepsy. From genes to therapies	Gia Melikishvili, MD, Georgia
10.15 – 11.00	Diagnostic challenges of posterior cortical lesions: lessons from our surgical experience	Sergey Ayvazyan, MD, PhD, Russia
<b>11.00 – 11.15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Biayna Sukhudyan, MD, PhD</b> <b>Sevak Badalyan, MD</b>	
11.15 – 12.00	Presurgical evaluation Who are the best candidates for epilepsy surgery?	Petia Dimova, MD, PhD, Bulgaria
12.00 – 12.45	Stereo-EEG as a method for surgical decision-making in epilepsy surgery	Demitre Serletis, MD, PhD, FRCSC, FAANS Cleveland, USA
<b>12.45 – 13.45</b>	<b>Lunch and networking</b>	
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Niko Arzumanyan, MD</b> <b>Ani Gevorgyan, MD</b>	
13.45 – 15.30	Awake craniotomy	Rafi Avitsian, MD, FASA Cleveland, USA
<b>15.30-15.45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>Moderators</b>	<b>Niko Arzumanyan, MD</b> <b>Ani Gevorgyan, MD</b>	
15.45 - 16.30	Outcomes of resective vs. ablative procedures	Krassimir Minkin, MD, PhD, Bulgaria
16.30 - 17.15	Neuromodulation. VNS, RNS, DBS - what's the best option?	Kaloyan Gabrovski, MD, PhD, Bulgaria
17.15 – 18.00	Proper time of discontinuation of treatment after surgery	Sergey Ayvazyan, MD, PhD, Russia
	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>Biayna Sukhudyan, MD, PhD,</b> <b>Armenia</b>