Unraveling the Hub: Cingulate Networks and Its Epilepsies

August 23–26, 2023
Hilton Garden Inn Cleveland Downtown
Cleveland, Ohio

This program will also be livestreamed for virtual viewing

In person event limited to 40 participants

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Overview

The cingulate cortex is a hub for functional connectivity in the brain, with extensive connections to other regions involved in cognitive, emotional, and sensorimotor processing. These connections are mediated by white matter tracts, such as the cingulum bundle, which connects different regions of the cingulate cortex and the prefrontal cortex, parietal cortex, and temporal cortex.

Cingulate epilepsy can originate from different regions of the cingulate cortex, and the specific location of the seizure focus can affect the clinical symptoms and response to treatment. Therefore, accurate localization of the seizure focus is crucial for effective management of cingulate epilepsy.

There have been several advances in the diagnosis and treatment of cingulate epilepsy in recent years. One major advance is the use of advanced neuroimaging and neurophysiological techniques such as magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), positron emission tomography (PET), and magnetoencephalography (MEG) to better localize the epileptogenic zone in this region. Some studies have shown that resection surgery has good results in seizure control.

Additionally, there has been growing interest in the use of neuromodulation techniques, such as responsive neurostimulation (RNS) and deep brain stimulation (DBS), for the treatment of cingulate epilepsy. These advances have the potential to improve outcomes for individuals with cingulate epilepsy, especially those who are difficult to manage with traditional medications or are not surgical candidates.

In this course, we will discuss the use of semiological, neuroimaging and neurophysiological techniques to design a SEEG implantation to identify the epileptogenic zone and eloquent network and to develop a surgical plan in patients with cingulate epilepsy.

Who Should Attend?
Neurologists and Neurosurgeons

Learning Objectives

At the completion of this activity, the participant should be able to:

- Recognize clinical manifestations of cingulate epilepsy, their electro-clinical evolution and correlation with non-invasive diagnostic modalities
- Discuss current insights in the functional anatomy and connectivity of the cingulate
- Integrate presurgical neurophysiological and imaging work-up towards a well-informed SEEG implantation strategy
- Interpret SEEG recordings and cortical stimulation responses in the context of all pre-SEEG workup data and arrive to a successful surgical strategy
Wednesday, August 23, 2023
4:30 p.m.  Registration/Continental Breakfast / Exhibits / Sign on
5:00 p.m.  Welcome and Opening Remarks, Imad Najm and Juan Bulacio

Introductory Conference
5:10 p.m.  Semiology and Anatomo-functional Localization in Patients with Cingulate Epilepsy, Veronica Pelliccia
5:50 p.m.  The Eight Subregions Model of Cingulate Cortex: Rationale and Use, Brent Vogt
6:30 p.m.  Q & A, Course Faculty
6:45 p.m.  Adjourn

Thursday, August 24, 2023
Presurgical Approach to Cingulate Epilepsy
Moderator: Jessica Fesler
7:30 a.m.  Continental Breakfast / Exhibits / Sign on
8:00 a.m.  Video EEG: Clinical Semiology of Cingulate Seizures, Ammar Kheder
8:45 a.m.  MR Imaging and Post-processing in Cingulate Epilepsy, Irene Wang
9:30 a.m.  Q & A, Course Faculty
9:45 a.m.  Break / Exhibits
10:00 a.m. Faculty Hands-on SEEG Analysis Sessions, Drs. Najm, Passaro, Pelliccia, Khoury, Kheder, Spurgeon, Perven, Chisholm, Alexopoulos, Garcia, Moosa Naduvil, Thompson, Bulacio, Shaker, Nair, Parikh (available for in-person attendance only)
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m.  Plenary Discussion. Phase I, Course Faculty
4:30 p.m.  Break / Exhibits

Localization and Functional Connections of the Cingulate
Moderator: Dileep Nair
5:00 p.m.  Primate Cingulate Circuitry and Flow of Information Into and Out of the Limbic System, Brent Vogt
5:40 p.m.  Multimodal Diagnostic Investigations in Patients with Cingulate Epilepsies, Andreas Alexopoulos
6:20 p.m.  Q & A, Course Faculty
6:30 p.m.  SEEG implantation and Robotic-Assisted SEEG
Bill Bingaman, Richard Rammo, Demitre Serletis, Stephen Harasimchuk
7:30 p.m.  Adjourn
Friday, August 25, 2023

**Neurophysiology of Cingulate**
Moderator: Demitre Serletis

- 7:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast / Exhibits / Sign on**
- 8:00 a.m. **SEEG Recordings of Cingulate Seizure**, Juan Bulacio
- 8:45 a.m. **Functions and Dysfunctions through the Lens of Electrical Stimulation**, Veronica Pelliccia
- 9:30 a.m. **Q & A**, Course Faculty
- 9:45 a.m. **Break / Exhibits**

**Faculty Hands-on SEEG Analysis Sessions**, Drs. Najm, Passaro, Pelliccia, Khoury, Kheder, Spurgeon, Perven, Chisholm, Alexopoulos, Garcia, Moosa Naduvil, Thompson, Bulacio, Shaker, Nair, Parikh (available for in-person attendance only)

- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch / Exhibits**
- 1:30 p.m. **Plenary Discussion SEEG Findings and Proposed Plan**, Course Faculty
- 4:30 p.m. **Break / Exhibits**

**Tailoring the Resection**
Moderator: Richard Rammo

- 5:00 p.m. **Approach to Surgical Resection of the Cingulate and Complications**, Bill Bingaman
- 5:40 p.m. **Cingulate: When Laser or RFT Are Good Options?** Demitre Serletis
- 6:20 p.m. **Q & A**, Course Faculty
- 6:30 p.m. **Adjourn**
- 6:45 p.m. **Reception**

Saturday, August 26, 2023 (Non-CME)

- 8:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast / Exhibits / Sign on**
- 8:30 a.m. **Discussion with Case Presentations**
  Moderator: Ahsan Moosa Naduvil
  Panel: Andreas Alexopoulos, William Bingaman, Dileep Nair, Imad Najm, Krishna Mourya Galla, Veronica Pelliccia
- 10:00 a.m. **Discussion with Case Presentations**
  Moderator: Demetri Serletis
  Panel: Ajay Gupta, Imad Najm, Veronica Pelliccia, Vineet Punia, Richard Rammo
- 12:00 p.m. **Adjourn**
Location
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Hours of instructions
In-person: 20.25  |  Virtual: 15.25

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Registration Fee is $25

- **In-person** registration includes course materials, continental breakfasts, lunches, breaks, Wednesday and Friday receptions.
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