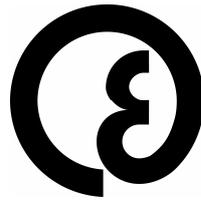




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## 13th Baltic Sea Summer School on Epilepsy (BSSSE 13) Rostock, Germany, August 18 - 24, 2019

The "Baltic Sea Summer Schools on Epilepsy" (BSSSE) take place annually since 2007 in varying countries of the Baltic Sea region. They are clinically oriented and focused on comprehensive aspects of diagnosis and treatment of epilepsy. The open and informal atmosphere of the BSSSE allows easy communication between faculty and trainees. Following summer schools in Lithuania, Denmark, Germany, Norway, Poland, Estonia, and Latvia, the 13<sup>th</sup> BSSSE will be organized with German Society of Epileptology as hosts in Rostock, Germany, from August 18-24, 2019.

**Target audience:** The BSSSE are primarily addressed to medical postgraduates and junior researchers (age usually up to 40 years) with a special clinical or scientific interest in epilepsy. Participants from all parts of the world are accepted but applicants from the Baltic Sea region are given priority. Other professionals working in the field of epilepsy are welcome to apply. Attendance is restricted to about 40 students to ensure an optimally interactive ambience.

### Program

The 13th BSSSE will again have a faculty of prominent epileptologists from the countries around the Baltic Sea

### Preliminary topics

Introductory courses: EEG in epilepsy (children, adults); imaging in epilepsy, pharmacology, seizure semiology.

Tutorials: Treatment of women of fertile age; Cases in clinical pharmacology; Treatment of children with pathological EEG; Non-epileptic paroxysmal events in adults and children; Neuropsychology; Neonatal seizures; Interactive EEG reading; Interactive semiology.

Lectures: Seizure classification, Principles and clinical implications of TDM; Role of pharmacogenetics of AEDs in epilepsy; First generalized tonic clonic seizures (GTCS) in childhood; Electric neuromodulation in treatment of drug resistant epilepsy; Reflex epilepsies; Epileptogenicity of brain tumors: mechanisms and concepts; Clinical evolution of epileptic encephalopathies; Autoimmune encephalitis.

**The didactic format** promotes the combination of lectures and interactive group work. Tutored case-oriented study, the students' preferred method in the past BSSSEs, is again emphasized. Didactic cases provided by tutors will be discussed in small groups. Participants are requested to bring own cases and are encouraged to present own research for peer discussion, and will also work on designing a research project.

### Learning objectives

The course, on completion, will have provided an update on important clinical aspects of epilepsy. It will enable the participants to critically evaluate information and expert opinion on the main topics of clinical epileptology. They will improve their competence and gain practical skills in the diagnostic work-up and decision-making concerning the management of different aspects of pediatric and adult epileptology including diagnostic approaches (especially regarding the EEG and neuroimaging) and pharmacotherapy. The didactic cases provided by tutors in case-oriented learning will address realistic clinical problems in daily practice. By presenting their own case or scientific presentations, the

participants will improve their competence and confidence in lecturing and teaching. One unit deals with how to get a paper published.

The course, on completion, will improve participants' skills and understanding of

- the differential diagnosis of epilepsy syndromes
- seizure semiology in different ages
- using the EEG in recognition and differentiation of seizures and in intensive monitoring
- the use of neuroimaging in epilepsy
- the pharmacotherapy of the epilepsies, with special emphasis on young and old age
- the use of treatment guidelines in children
- several basic mechanisms of epilepsy and seizures, including the role of sleep
- the relations of epilepsy to the sensory systems
- the juxtaposition of focal epilepsies and system epilepsies
- neuropsychological aspects including consciousness in the understanding of epilepsy
- perception of life quality issues in epilepsy
- health political aspects of epilepsy
- the role of genetics in epilepsy
- immune – associated epilepsies

**The BSSSE is given in English.**

<b>Organizers:</b>	The ILAE chapters of the Baltic Sea region, the ILAE Commission on European Affairs / European Advisory Council, the Prof. Peter & Jytte Wolf Foundation for Epilepsy
<b>Local organizers:</b>	German Society for Epileptology
<b>Organizing Committee:</b>	Peter Wolf (Denmark), Rüdiger Köhling (Germany)
<b>Programm Committee:</b>	Peter Wolf, Ruta Mameniskiene
<b>Duration:</b>	6 days (Monday - Saturday). Arrival on Sunday afternoon, August 18, departure on Saturday afternoon, August 24, 2019.
<b>Location:</b>	The venue will be the Hotel Sportforum in Rostock, <a href="http://www.hotelsportforum.com">www.hotelsportforum.com</a> . The closest airports are Hamburg or Berlin.
<b>Bursaries:</b>	<p>A number of bursaries will be available from different sources. Applicants are encouraged to apply. <b>The bursaries regularly cover only the registration fee and <i>do not</i> include travel expenses.</b></p> <p>Please also <b>contact your national ILAE chapter</b> for further information and local bursary possibilities.</p>
<b>Registration fee:</b>	<p><b>800 Euro</b> - The fee includes full board and accomodation, and access to all educational activities (lectures, tutorials, case discussions, video-sessions, hand-outs) and social events.</p> <p><b>A non-refundable deposit of 100 Euro is required with final registration from all participants, including bursary recipients. Registration is done only after official acceptance.</b></p>

**Accommodation:**

**Accommodation is in shared twin rooms.** A limited number of single room accommodations will be available on advance request (first come first served basis) for an additional charge of € \_\_\_ to be paid by the participant, which is not covered by the bursaries.

**Application requirements:**

Each candidate for the 13th BSSSE is required to submit before **the deadline of March 1, 2019:**

1. **Application form** (the need for bursary can be indicated on it. Age limit for bursaries is regularly 40 years)
2. **Two case reports** from student's clinical practice with patients with epilepsy / or **reports on personal scientific research**
3. **Curriculum vitae (CV)** on 2 pages max. and **list of publications**
4. **Letter of intent**
5. **Recommendation: reference letter** from the Head of the Department or ILAE Chapter, statement of current activities etc.

**Case reports provided by students are expected to be:**

- specific and with some difficulties / problems in clinical semiology, diagnostics, classification and therapeutic strategy and possibly showing some unusual clinical features
- it is recommended that case reports include questions addressed to audience for the discussion, and concluding answers, explanations and ideas to be presented after comments of a group

**A video case report** is not mandatory but it is welcome and very encouraged to submit.

**A report on personal scientific results may be provided instead of a case report**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR CASE REPORT SUBMISSIONS:**

- The reports should be prepared as Power Point presentation, in English.
- The first slide: title, applicant's name, the institution, city and country
- Use 12-15 slides at maximum
- Adapt font size and number of lines to easy reading from the audience. Standard abbreviations may be used.
- The case presentations should be informative, containing:
  - a. introduction
  - b. case report
  - c. conclusion
- Drug products should be identified by their non-proprietary names only.
- Video-sequence(s) EEG fragments, neuroimaging scans etc, if available should be included in the presentation
- The reports on personal scientific research should include:
  - a. introduction
  - b. aims
  - c. methods
  - d. results
  - e. discussion
  - f. conclusions
- Authors are responsible for the linguistic accuracy and ethical standards
- All presentations will be reviewed by the Organizing Committee

- Case reports prepared as PPT presentations or adapted in a PDF format should be sent by email to Ruta Mameniskiene as soon as possible.

**Certification: Participants who successfully take part in the program will receive a certificate, with hours of attendance listed.**

**Important information, dates and addresses for the 13th BSSSE, August 18-24, 2019, in Rostock, Germany:**

**Contacts:**

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**Application deadline is March 1, 2019.** Priority deadline for applications from the countries bordering the Baltic Sea is **February 1, 2019.**

**The application form** is mandatory, it has to be filled in and sent to Petra Novotny before the deadline of **March 1, 2019.**

**All attachments required for the application** (CV, list of publications, letter of intent, reference letter) should be sent by e-mail to Petra Novotny, [petra.novotny@wolfstiftung.org](mailto:petra.novotny@wolfstiftung.org), before the **deadline of March 1, 2019.**

**The case reports** prepared as PPT presentation, in PDF format, or as an archive file, must be sent by email to Ruta Mameniskiene, [ruta.mameniskiene@gmail.com](mailto:ruta.mameniskiene@gmail.com), before the deadline of **March 1, 2019.** Please send a copy of the email to Petra Novotny, [petra.novotny@wolfstiftung.org](mailto:petra.novotny@wolfstiftung.org) .

You can also contact your national ILAE chapter for information and local bursary possibilities (see [www.ilae.org](http://www.ilae.org) for addresses).

Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by email as soon as possible.

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