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2018 ANNUAL MEETING
HOUSTON, TEXAS | OCTOBER 6-10, 2018

Advance Registration Deadline: September 6, 2018
The CNS Welcomes You To HOUSTON

Avenida Houston and the George L. Brown Convention Center (pictured above) are nestled in the heart of a bustling metropolis that offers robust international influences, a slew of inspired restaurants, and a vibrant arts scene.

"Famous Texas hospitality makes for a fun-filled visit, but Houston is also full of surprises."

—London Evening Standard, 2017
When President John F. Kennedy made this declaration in 1962, he was presenting something that seemed impossible: to put a human being on the moon. This historic speech entered the United States into the Space Race that ultimately saw advances in science and technology beyond imagination in the early 1960s.

The 2018 CNS Annual Meeting’s arrival in Houston, Texas, is an excellent time to take stock of why we do what we do. Neurosurgery, like manned space travel, was utterly unattainable for the great vast majority of human history. Our predecessors didn’t begin to explore the brain and develop innovative engineering because it was easy, but because it was hard. Mission: Neurosurgery reminds us that we would not be where we are without insightful scientific study, the determination of the medical community, and dedicated teams around us.

Neurosurgery professionals join together at the CNS Annual Meeting year in and year out for many reasons: furthering our education, examining the most cutting edge in our industry’s technology that we may one day use in our own practices, and enjoying the company and wisdom of our peers. But I would encourage attendees to also use this week as an opportunity to refocus and re-energize ourselves, as well as commemorate what we have achieved.

This Preliminary Program will be your guide to getting the most out of your week at the CNS Annual Meeting. We have brought in speakers from fields as diverse as race car driving, big-wave surfing, and extreme bionics. We’re thrilled to introduce an all-day Robotics Symposium, and will discuss state-of-the-art in brain-machine interface during General Scientific Session 1 on Sunday. The latest in Big Data is explored in a practical course and dinner seminar. Be sure to visit the CNS Xperience Lounge to get hands-on with the latest in technology, meet and greet with special speakers, or experience live surgery in the Presentation Theater. Mornings are dedicated to guidelines updates and late-breaking abstracts, while afternoons bring the newest in original science during section sessions, and interactive debates in multiple case-based discussion sessions.

We’ll also celebrate some of the best work of the last year by highlighting the best papers published in Neurosurgery and honoring the top innovations in neurological surgery. We hope that you leave this meeting inspired by what we have done and what we will soon be able to do in our field.

On behalf of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons Executive Committee, the Scientific Program Committee, and the 2018 Honored Guest Robert H. Rosenwasser, MD, I warmly welcome you to attend this year’s CNS Annual Meeting in Houston, Texas, October 6-10.

Sincerely,
Ashwini D. Sharan, MD
CNS President

The purpose of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons is to provide continued medical education for practicing neurosurgeons, neurosurgical residents in training, and postgraduate neurosurgical fellows, as well as advanced practice providers including nurses, physician assistants, and clinical specialists.

Who should attend: Neurological surgeons, neurosurgery nurses, physician assistants, orthopedic surgeons, primary care physicians, gerontologists, radiologists, hospital administrators, oncologists, neurologists, pediatricians, psychiatrists, and infectious disease specialists are welcome and encouraged to attend the 2018 CNS Annual Meeting.
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6**

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Robert H. Rosenwasser attended Louisiana State University in New Orleans, Louisiana, and graduated in 1975 with a BS/BA degree from Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana. He received his MD from Louisiana State University in Shreveport in 1979. Dr. Rosenwasser completed a general surgery internship and residency in neurological surgery at Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia. In 1984 he was a fellow in neurovascular surgery under Drs. Drake and Peerless at University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario. From 1992 to 1993, he completed a fellowship in interventional neuroradiology under Dr. Alex Berenstein at New York University. Dr. Rosenwasser recently completed his MBA at Villanova University.

In 1994, Dr. Rosenwasser became professor of neurosurgery at Thomas Jefferson University and director of interventional neuroradiology at the Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience. He also served as division chief of cerebrovascular surgery and interventional neuroradiology at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. In 2004, he was appointed chair of the Department of Neurological Surgery. He is also a fellow of the American Heart Association.

Dr. Rosenwasser is a member of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons, the American Association of Neurological Surgeons, the American Academy of Neurological Surgery, and the American College of Surgeons. He is past president of the Society of University Neurosurgeons and past chair of the Joint Section on Cerebrovascular Disease. He has been heavily involved in research, particularly in neuroradiology and neurosurgery cooperative projects. His current laboratory research involves the use of stem cells in stroke recovery.

He has published over 400 peer reviewed publications, abstracts, and book chapters, and has co-edited four textbooks on cerebral ischemia, cerebral AVM’s, and interventional neuroradiology/endovascular neurosurgery.

Dr. Rosenwasser provides treatment for all types of neurovascular diseases, using both open micro-surgical and endovascular techniques. These include craniotomy for excision of AVM, craniotomy for aneurysmal clip ligation, carotid endarterectomy, glycerol rhizotomy, endovascular aneurysm coiling, embolization for AVM, stereotactic radiosurgery for AVM (Gamma Knife), carotid stent placement, balloon angioplasty, and thrombolysis for ischemic injury.

LOOK FOR DR. ROSENWASSER AT THE FOLLOWING SESSIONS:

**OCTOBER 8, MONDAY**
9:23–9:45 am
**Honored Guest Presentation:** The Neurosurgeon as a Stroke Specialist

12:15–1:45 pm
**Honored Guest Luncheon:** The Business of Medicine in the 21st Century: Pearls and Pitfalls

Meet Dr. Rosenwasser in the CNS Xperience Lounge in the Exhibit Hall immediately following his General Scientific Session presentation.

**OCTOBER 9, TUESDAY**
9:30–9:47 am
**Honored Guest Presentation:** The Evolution of Neurovascular Surgery: Procedural or Disease Oriented?
**WALTER E. DANDY ORATOR**  
Laird Hamilton  
**A Conversation with Laird Hamilton: Risk, Reward, and Overcoming Fear**

Laird Hamilton is best known as an American big-wave surfer and pioneer in the world of action water sports. In addition to his affinity for the water, Hamilton is an inventor, author, producer, TV host, fitness and nutrition expert, husband, father, and adrenaline junkie who continuously pushes the limits of human possibility.

A hard-charging athlete, Hamilton is a renowned innovator and guiding genius of crossover board sports including tow-in surfing, stand-up paddle boarding, and hydrofoil boarding. Over the last decade, Hamilton has become an international fitness icon, nutrition expert, and trainer of top professional athletes and celebrities. Along with his wife, Gabrielle Reece, Hamilton created Extreme Performance Training (XPT), a unique training and lifestyle program featuring water workouts, performance breathing, high-intensity and endurance training, and recovery methods.

Hamilton is the author of the bestselling book *Force of Nature: Mind, Body, Soul, and, Of Course, Surfing* (2008). He is also a contributing editor for *Men’s Journal*. He has appeared in a number of feature films and surfing documentaries including *Step into Liquid* (2003), and *Riding Giants* (2004), where he also served as executive producer. He performed as a surfer in *The Descendants* (2014), *Water World* (1995), *Die Another Day* (2002) and *Point Break* (2015). In addition to his film work, Hamilton has appeared on numerous television shows such as *Oprah’s Master Class*, *Charlie Rose*, *60 Minutes*, *Chelsea Handler*, *Conan O’Brien*, *Steven Colbert*, and *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*.

Hamilton has a passion for philanthropy and works with various non-profit organizations to help others live a happy, healthy life.

**CNS MICHAEL L. J. APUZZO LECTURER ON CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION**  
Graham T. Allison  
**Douglas Dillon Professor of Government, Harvard Kennedy School**

Graham T. Allison is an American political scientist and Douglas Dillon Professor of Government at the Harvard Kennedy School. He is a best-selling author and leading analyst of US national security and defense policy with a special interest in nuclear weapons, terrorism, and decision-making. Previously, Allison was Director of Harvard’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs from 1995 until July 2017.

While serving as the Assistant Secretary of Defense during the Clinton Administration, Allison received the Defense Department’s highest civilian award, the Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service, for “reshaping relations with Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, and Kazakhstan to reduce the former Soviet nuclear arsenal.”

In addition, Allison has served as Special Advisor to the Secretary of Defense under President Reagan. He has the sole distinction of having twice been awarded the Distinguished Public Service Medal, first by Secretary Cap Weinberger and second by Secretary Bill Perry. He served as a member of the Defense Policy Board for Secretaries Weinberger, Carlucci, Cheney, Aspin, Perry, Cohen, and Carter.

Allison has also written a number of bestseller and notable books, including *Destined for War: Can America and China Escape Thucydides’s Trap?*, *Lee Kuan Yew: The Grand Master’s Insights on China, the United States and the World* (co-authored with Robert Blackwill), *Nuclear Terrorism: The Ultimate Preventable Catastrophe*, and *Essence of Decision: Explaining the Cuban Missile Crisis.*
Smith L. Johnston III, MD, MS

Space Medicine, Terrestrial Applications for Human Health, Performance, and Longevity

Smith Johnston, from Woodstock, Georgia, received his Doctor of Medicine in 1981 from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. From 1984 to 1990, Dr. Johnston completed residencies in Internal and Aerospace Medicine from Wright State University, as well as a Master of Science in Aerospace and Preventive Medicine.

Dr. Johnston is a member of the clinical faculty at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Department of Preventive, Occupational and Environmental Medicine in Galveston, Texas. He has spent most of his career as a medical officer and flight surgeon for NASA Medical Operations Branch at the NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston. Over the past 25 years, he has supported the medical care of the active Astronaut Corps, their families, and retired astronauts. He has been the lead physician for the International Space Station (ISS) Emergency Medical System and Crew Return Vehicle development, and has supported two Expedition ISS missions and over 25 shuttle missions. Over the last five years, he has served as the medical director of NASA-JSC Aerospace and Occupational Medicine Clinics, and is presently the lead of NASA’s Astronaut Medical Selection and Retention Standards, and the Fatigue Management and Human Health, Performance, and Longevity Programs.

Dr. Johnston is board certified in aerospace medicine from the American Board of Preventive Medicine, and a fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association. He has been featured in media such as NOVA, Discovery Channel, Scientific America, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Houston Chronicle, Consumer Reports, and USA Today.

Hugh Herr, PhD

The New Era of Extreme Bionics

Hugh Herr is an engineer and biophysicist who creates bionic limbs that emulate the function of natural limbs. TIME Magazine coined Herr the “Leader of the Bionic Age” because of his revolutionary work in the emerging field of Biomechatronics—technology that marries human physiology with electromechanics. A double amputee, he is responsible for breakthrough advances in bionic limbs that provide greater mobility and new hope to those with physical disabilities. Herr is a professor of media arts and sciences at the MIT Media Lab, and co-director of the MIT Center for Extreme Bionics.

Herr has authored and co-authored more than 150 peer-reviewed manuscripts and patents chronicling the science and technology behind his many innovations. Two of Herr’s inventions, a computer-controlled knee prosthesis called the Rheo, and a powered ankle-foot prosthesis called EmPower were named to the list of Top 10 Inventions in the health category by TIME Magazine in 2004 and 2007 respectively. Herr is the founder of BionX Inc., a company that commercializes the EmPower Ankle-Foot Prosthesis, allowing amputees to walk with normal levels of speed and metabolism, as if their legs were biological once again.

Herr has received many accolades, including the 13th Annual Heinz Award for Technology, the Economy and Employment; the Prince Salman Award for Disability Research; the Smithsonian American Ingenuity Award in Technology, and the 2016 Princess of Asturias Award for Technical & Scientific Research. Herr’s story has been told in a National Geographic film, Ascent: The Story of Hugh Herr, as well as in episodes and articles featured on CNN, The Economist, Discover, and Nature.
**SPECIAL LECTURER**

**David Eagleman**

*Can We Create New Senses for Humans?*

David Eagleman is a neuroscientist and a *New York Times* bestselling author. He heads the Center for Science and Law, a national non-profit institute, and serves as an adjunct professor at Stanford University. He is best known for his work on sensory substitution, time perception, brain plasticity, synesthesia, and neurolaw.

He is the writer and presenter of the international PBS series, *The Brain with David Eagleman*, and the author of the companion book, *The Brain: The Story of You*. Beyond his 100+ academic publications, he has published many popular books. His bestselling book, *Incognito: The Secret Lives of the Brain*, explores the neuroscience “under the hood” of the conscious mind: all the aspects of neural function to which we have no awareness or access. His work of fiction, *SUM*, is an international bestseller and has been turned into two operas. Other books include *Why the Net Matters*, the award-winning *Wednesday is Indigo Blue*, and *The Runaway Species*, co-authored with music composer Anthony Brandt.

Eagleman is a TED speaker, a Guggenheim Fellow, a winner of the McGovern Award for Excellence in Biomedical Communication, a Next Generation Texas Fellow, and vice-chair on the World Economic Forum’s Global Agenda Council on Neuroscience & Behaviour. He is founder of the company BrainCheck and the cofounder of the company NeoSensory. He has been profiled on the *Colbert Report, NOVA Science Now, The New Yorker*, CNN’s *The Next List*, and appears regularly on radio and television to discuss literature and science.

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**Al Unser Jr.**

*A Conversation with Al Unser Jr.: The Nervous System at 220 MPH!*

A member of the famous racing Unser family, over the course of his illustrious driving career Al Unser Jr. has carved out his position in the sport as one of the all-time greats. In total, Al Jr. amassed 34 IndyCar wins. He is a two-time winner of the Greatest Spectacle in Racing – the Indianapolis 500 – where, by the way, his family has achieved a remarkable total of nine (9) victories. He is a two-time IndyCar champion and a two-time champion of the International Race of Champions (IROC). He is also fondly known as the “King of the Beach” for his record six wins in the prestigious Long Beach Grand Prix. Having retired from active driving in 2007, Al Jr. remains a prominent face in the sport, currently serving as an executive consultant and driver coach for IndyCar Series team Harding Racing.

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Relax on one of our cozy couches or connect with your colleagues. Grab a latte and see what’s next on your agenda. Join us on Monday for snacks and Monday and Tuesday for wine and beer!

Meet and interact with the winning authors of the Neurosurgery Paper of the Year Awards, featured speakers, and Honored Guest, Robert H. Rosenwasser, MD. Books by our speakers will be available for purchase, so don’t miss a chance to get yours signed.

See presentations from the Innovator of the Year finalists – and vote for your favorite. On Tuesday, check out continuing conversations by the CEOs of some of the country’s most prominent hospitals. Stop by any time to view digital posters.

Experience live surgery via telemedicine technology on the Presentation Stage, where you can also watch Educational Update Sessions, an FDA Session, and more.

Ask any membership questions you might have and get answers from staff members. CNS merchandise will be available for purchase.

NEUROSURGERY® Publications will be in the Xperience Lounge! Stop by to pick up the latest copy of the journal, watch demos of the Surgeon’s Armamentarium, listen to Neurosurgery Speaks! or chat with journal staff.
**PRESIDENT**

**Ashwini D. Sharan, MD, FACS**

Ashwini D. Sharan is a professor of neurological surgery and neurology, the Division Director of Functional and Epilepsy Surgery, and the Neurosurgery Residency Program Director at the Sidney Kimmel Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University. He is a graduate of Boston University and the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey. He completed his residency in neurosurgery at Thomas Jefferson University and his fellowships in spine and functional neurosurgery at the Cleveland Clinic.

Dr. Sharan is an internationally recognized leader in functional neurosurgery, particularly in the growing field of epilepsy surgery. He is a leader and teacher in the areas of spine surgery, deep brain stimulation, intrathecal pumps, and spinal cord stimulators. Dr. Sharan has been the co-investigator on four NIH and DARPA grants. Currently, he is receiving funding from the Groff Foundation and studying the role of sphenopalatine ganglion stimulation for disruption of the brain-blood barrier. His work has been published in many journals including *Neurology, Neurosurgery, Spine, Epilepsia, Neuromodulation*, and *Orthopedic*, and he has been cited over 2,200 times.

Dr. Sharan has previously served as the president of the North American Neuromodulation Society (NANS). He is a founder of multiple startups, including Cerebral Therapeutics, Mudjala, Neurotargeting, and Tigerlabs. Dr. Sharan also holds a number of US patents. He has the distinction of being the first surgeon to perform laser ablation for epilepsy outside of the US—in AIIMS New Delhi, India. He has received “The Teacher of the Year” award several times.

The joy of Dr. Sharan’s life is his family. He lives in the suburbs of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Kanu Priya Sharan, a breast cancer oncologist, and their two children, Isha Priya and Maansi Dayal. The Sharan family is actively involved with their community and prioritize local philanthropy and volunteerism.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT**

**Ganesh Rao, MD**

Ganesh Rao is an associate professor of neurosurgery at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center (MDACC). He is the adjunct associate professor of neurosurgery at Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) and the program director for the Neurosurgery Residency at BCM.

Dr. Rao attended medical school at the University of Arizona. He completed his neurosurgery residency under the leadership of M. Peter Heilbrun, MD, and trained under William T. Couldwell, MD, PhD. During his residency, he spent two years in the laboratory of Daniel Fults, MD. After completing residency, he spent a year as a fellow in neurosurgical oncology at MDACC under the guidance of Raymond Sawaya, MD. He joined the faculty at MDACC in 2006.

In addition to a clinical practice, which includes the treatment of cranial and spinal neoplasms, Dr. Rao has an active laboratory. He has held a K-08 and currently holds R-01 funding for research into the mechanisms of malignant progression in glioma. He is also an active clinical researcher with numerous publications on a variety of neuro-oncological topics.

As the program director of a large residency program, Dr. Rao has been committed to education of residents and fellows. He is also heavily involved in the education of the neuro-oncology fellows at MDACC.

Dr. Rao and his wife Lorelei live in Bellaire, Texas, with their twin nine-year-old sons Kiran and Zain.
**ANNUAL MEETING CHAIR**

**Brian L. Hoh, MD**

Brian L. Hoh is the James & Brigitte Marino Family Professor and Associate Chair of Neurosurgery, and chief of the Division of Cerebrovascular Surgery at the University of Florida. He earned his BAS from Stanford University, his MD with AOA honors from Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons, and his neurosurgical residency training and fellowship in interventional neuroradiology at Massachusetts General Hospital.

In addition to serving on the CNS Executive Committee, Dr. Hoh is a past-chair and past-treasurer of the AANS/CNS Joint Cerebrovascular Section. He is past co-chair and member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Neurosurgery*.

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Dr. Khalessi further serves on the NIH/NINDS Interventional Advisory Panel for *StrokeNet*.

As a committed teacher, Dr. Khalessi served four years on the Residency Review Committee (RRC) for Neurological Surgery and serves as a Scholar-in-Residence for the American Board of Neurological Surgery (ABNS).

He lives in La Jolla, California, with his wife Sara, a lawyer, and son Wilder.
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- Outpatient Neurosurgery: From Office to ASC—Optional or Necessary?
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- STN versus GPI: Key Clinical Trials
- Brain Metastases
- Treatment of Cerebral Aneurysms
- Spinal Deformity and MIS Surgery
- Ethical Controversies in Neurotrauma
- Surgical Techniques in Trigeminal Neuralgia
- Myelomeningocele and Associated Pathologies: Variable Practice Management
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**SYM1 Neurovascular Update: Evidence-based Guidelines in Ischemic and Hemorrhagic Stroke for the Practicing Neurosurgeon**

**5:00–6:30 pm**

**International Reception**

**6:30–8:30 pm**

**Dinner Seminar 1**

The Bottom Line in a Changing World—Updates about CPT, ICD-10, MIPS, and Bundling
SYM1 Neurovascular Update: Evidence-based Guidelines in Ischemic and Hemorrhagic Stroke for the Practicing Neurosurgeon

Course Directors: Peter Kan, Adnan H. Siddiqui

Course Description: This symposium provides a forum for attendees to obtain the latest information on ischemic and hemorrhagic strokes. It will start with patient selection for mechanical thrombectomy in the setting of large vessel occlusion, followed by discussing the current practice on endovascular and surgical revascularization for extracranial atherosclerotic diseases. The course will then switch to cover optimal treatment of intracranial aneurysms, including new technologies and the optimal treatment options of intracranial vascular malformations, and intracerebral hemorrhage.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Outline recent literature regarding the use of endovascular therapy for wake up and late-presenting ischemic stroke patients.
- Describe recent literature on endovascular and surgical revascularization (CAS versus CEA) for extracranial atherosclerotic carotid disease.
- Select the optimal treatment of different intracranial aneurysms using surgery and endovascular techniques.
- Identify and individualize the optimal treatment options of intracranial arteriovenous malformations.
NEW PC01 Severe TBI Update: Trends and Tools
Course Directors: Shelly D. Timmons, Gregory W.J. Hawryluk
Course Description: Novel treatments such as hypothermia, hyperbaric oxygen, hypertonic saline. Invasive and non-invasive tools for neuromonitoring. Hands-on (breakout) session with new technologies.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Implement current strategies in TBI management into daily practice.
› Identify new technologies for neuromonitoring.

SP 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student

NEW PC02 Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery—Case-based Complications and Future Directions
Course Directors: Praveen V. Mummaneni, Adam S. Kanter
Faculty: Aaron J. Clark, Kevin T. Foley, Roger Hartl, Langston T. Holly, Khoi D. Than, Juan S. Uribe
Course Description: This course will discuss state-of-the-art, minimally invasive techniques and how past complications have led to current trends and future directions.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Identify appropriate indications for minimally invasive surgery.
› Distinguish which patients may benefit from minimally invasive surgery.
› Avoid common complications associated with minimally invasive surgery.

SP 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student

NEW PC03 Cervical Spine Case Management: Techniques and Technology Update
Course Director: Andrew T. Dailey
Faculty: Kurt M. Eichholz, R. John Hurlbert, Sheng-fu Larry Lo, Osmar Moraes, Srinivas K. Prasad, Wilson Z. Ray, Charles A. Sansur
Course Description: This course will be comprised of case-based discussions of modern anterior/posterior/combined techniques to treat common cervical spine pathologies.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Discuss indications for surgical treatment of cervical spine pathologies.
› Discuss decision-making strategies for selecting the appropriate surgical approach for cervical spine pathologies.
› Identify and avoid common complications associated with cervical spine surgery.

SP 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student

NEW PC04 Bypass Techniques in Cerebrovascular Neurosurgery
Course Director: Mark D. Bain
Faculty: Daniel L. Barrow, David J. Langer, Michael T. Lawton, Peter A. Rasmussen, Jonathan Russin, Gary K. Steinberg
Course Description: Hear the latest indications and techniques for extracranial to intracranial bypass. Practice anastomosis on turkey wings.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Discuss the clinical and imaging indications for EC-IC bypass.
› Appreciate the technical challenges of matching flow.
› Learn tips and tricks for keeping anastomosis open post-op.

CV 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student

NEW PC05 Endoscopic Craniosynostosis Repair: Hands-on Course
Course Directors: David F. Jimenez, Matthew D. Smyth
Faculty: Amy Lee, Hal S. Meltzer, Mark R. Proctor
Course Description: A course combining didactic lectures and a hands-on workshop to expose participants to the endoscopic management of pediatric craniosynostosis. Didactic lectures will review patient selection, surgical techniques, outcomes, and complications. The hands-on workshop will review instrumentation, endoscopic, and surgical techniques using 3D models.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Describe the surgical techniques used in pediatric endoscopic craniosynostosis surgery.
› Summarize the clinical indications and outcomes for the endoscopic treatment of infants with craniosynostosis.
› Discuss the management of complications that may occur with endoscopic craniosynostosis surgery.

SP 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student

NEW PC06 Update on Movement Disorders: Case Based Review of Approaches and Controversies
Course Directors: Ellen L. Air, Francisco A. Ponce
Faculty: Ron L. Alterman, Kim J. Burchiel, Alexandre N. Francisco, Casey H. Halpern, Clement Hamani, Peter Korrad, Ashwin Viswanathan
Course Description: The course will utilize a case-based approach to understanding the latest emerging and alternative approaches to performing deep brain stimulation surgery to maximize outcomes and patient comfort.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Explain the difference in outcomes for each target used for deep brain stimulation and identify the appropriate target for each individual case.
› Review drawbacks, limitations, and advantages of awake versus “asleep” deep brain stimulation ISF implantation.
› Describe the role of MR guided focused ultrasound in the management of movement disorders.

CV 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
**NEW**

**PC07** Modern Applications of Radiosurgery  
**Course Director:** Steven D. Chang  
**Faculty:** John R. Adler, Clark C. Chen, Jason P. Sheehan  
**Course Description:** This course will feature leading surgeons in the field of radiosurgery who will discuss the current and emerging strategies for the use of radiosurgery in neurosurgery patients. Participants should expect to finish the course with a current understanding of standard and emerging treatment strategies available for neurosurgeons using different radiosurgery devices.  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:  
- Explain what radiosurgery is, and what different radiosurgery devices are, as well as their advantages and disadvantages.  
- Identify appropriate diseases that can be treated with radiosurgery.  
- Apply existing evidence for radiosurgery.

**NEW**

**PC08** WINS Practical Course on Leadership and Education  
**Course Directors:** Jennifer A. Sweet, Sarah Woodrow  
**Faculty:** Pamela S. Jones, Alan M. Scarrow, Nathan R. Selden, Warren R. Selman, Stacey Q. Wolfe  
**Course Description:** This course is directed at academic faculty, program directors, program chairs, and senior level residents or fellows interested in pursuing academic careers. Leaders in academic neurosurgery face many pressures including running programs with limited resources, having expectations for results, training future leaders in the field, and managing complex team dynamics. These challenges, combined with differences in ideas, perceptions, and priorities often create environments in which individuals are operating below their capabilities. Learning the critical skills of leadership, mentorship, emotional intelligence, milestones, assessment measures, team-building, and balance can enhance the likelihood of success in a changing environment. Through interactive presentations, experiential exercises, and peer-to-peer discussions, participants will discover practical strategies for leadership in education that include enhanced diversity awareness, to create a training program of excellence.  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:  
- Define expectations and success factors of leadership.  
- Identify the importance of mentorship and how to be a good mentor.  
- Know the value of assessment measures and science to incorporate into your training programs.  
- Describe the role of emotional intelligence in leading yourself and others in this increasingly diverse landscape.  
- Apply strategies for managing time and setting priorities that result in the achievement of both personal and organizational goals.

**NEW**

**PC09** 3D Surgical Neuroanatomy (Supratentorial)  
**Course Director:** Juan C. Fernandez-Miranda  
**Faculty:** Emel Avci, Mustafa K. Baskaya, Spiros L. Blackburn, Evandro De Oliveira, Pablo A. Rubino  
**Course Description:** This course will review 3D surgical neuroanatomy relevant for safe and effective resection of infratentorial tumor lesions. The areas to cover will be cerebellum, fourth ventricle, cerebello-pontine angle, pineal and posterior incisural region, clival, petroclival, and foramen magnum region. Master surgeons will illustrate the importance of surgical neuroanatomy with HD/3D video illustrations of surgical approaches including telo-velar, supracerebellar, transtentorial, retrosigmoid, presigmoid, transcondylar, and endoscopic endonasal transclival.  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:  
- Review the intricate 3D anatomy of the fiber tracts as required for treatment of complex intrinsic lesions.  
- Identify the key surgical anatomy for paralimbic region and intraventricular tumors and demonstrate its clinical application with illustrative cases.  
- Describe the surgical anatomy and different routes through the anterior skull base, middle fossa, and cavernous sinus, including endoscopic endonasal and trancranial approaches.

**NEW**

**PC10** Innovation, Quality, and Safety—A Balance Along the Continuum of Care for Neurosurgical Patients  
**Course Directors:** Mohamad Bydon, Clemens M. Schirmer  
**Faculty:** Neil A. Martin, J. D. Mocco, J. Adair Prall, Jonathan Slotkin, Gregory H. Smith, Babu G. Welch  
**Course Description:** Health care delivery innovation along the continuum of care involves more than just bundling. Older facets e.g., National Patient Safety Goals can be combined with newer approaches, and cost measures and delivery models piloted by the Center for Medicare/Medicaid Innovation (CMMI). This course gives an overview of neurosurgical involvement along the continuum of care from pre-hospital assessment to post-acute care.  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:  
- Define the neurosurgical care pathway and its components.  
- Discuss aspects of patient safety and quality pertinent to neurosurgery.  
- Discuss innovation of care delivery models relevant to neurosurgical patients.

**NEW**

**PC11** Spinal Trauma and Spinal Cord Injury: Case-based Presentations and Future Directions  
**Course Directors:** Michael G. Fehlings, James S. Harrop  
**Faculty:** Mohamad Bydon, Gregory W.J. Hawryluk, Paul K. Kim, Allan D. Levi, Patrick R. Pritchard, Jefferson R. Wilson  
**Course Description:** Use case-based learning to describe the diagnosis and treatment of cervical, thoracic and lumbar trauma, and spinal cord injury.  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:  
- Discuss techniques and approaches to treat spinal trauma.  
- Identify and avoid common complications associated with treatment of spinal trauma and spinal cord injury.  
- Discuss current research and novel strategies for management of spinal cord injury.
The session will also cover cerebellum and fourth ventricle, and endoscopic endonasal techniques for skull base lesions. There will be an emphasis both on transcranial (retrosigmoid, anterior and posterior transpetrosal, suboccipital transcondylar) and endoscopic endonasal routes.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Review the surgical anatomy and approaches to the cerebellum, cerebello-pontine angle, and fourth ventricle.
- Identify the key surgical anatomy and approaches for exposing the pineal and posterior incisural region.
- Discuss the different routes to the clival, petrolacial, and foramen magnum regions, including endoscopic endonasal and transcranial approaches.

NEW
PC13 Peripheral Nerve Surgery: Techniques and Exposure
Course Directors: Rajni Midha, Robert J. Spinner
Faculty: Holly Glimer, Angad S. Hanna, Marie-Noelle Hebert-Blouin, Line G. Jacques, Mark A. Mahan, Elias B. Rizk, Thomas J. Wilson, Eric L. Zager
Course Description: Using a combination of didactic lectures, case-based discussion, and pro-section demonstration, the faculty will provide learners with fundamental knowledge in peripheral nerve evaluation, surgical exposure, and management of common surgical nerve conditions.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Describe surgical exposures and techniques for common peripheral nerve pathologies.
- Determine appropriate diagnostic workup and diagnosis of patients with peripheral nerve entrapment.
- Identify and avoid common complications associated with peripheral nerve surgery.

NEW
PC14 3D Surgical Neuroanatomy (Infratentorial)
Course Director: Juan C. Fernandez-Miranda
Faculty: Vladimir Benes, Aaron A. Cohen-Gadol, Jeffrey M. Sorensen, Necmettin Tanriver, Ugor Ture
Course Description: This course will review relevant surgical neuroanatomy using 3D stereoscopic projection. The areas to cover will be cortical and white matter anatomy, cerebrovascular, and skull base anatomy. Master surgeons will illustrate the importance of surgical neuroanatomy for clinical practice with surgical cases and HD/3D video illustrations. There will be an emphasis both on intricate anatomical regions such as insular, ventricles, and cavernous sinus, and newest techniques such as high-definition fiber tractography (HDFt) planning for intrinsic tumor surgery and endoscopic endonasal techniques for skull base lesions. The session will also cover cerebellum and fourth ventricle, posterior circulation, and lateral and posterior skull base approaches. Master surgeons will illustrate the importance of surgical neuroanatomy for clinical practice with surgical cases and HD/3D video illustrations. Surgical approaches to the cerebellar-pontine angle, clival and petroclival region, jugular foramen, and foramen magnum will be discussed both from transcranial (retrosigmoid, anterior and posterior transpetrosal, suboccipital transcondylar) and endoscopic endonasal routes.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Identify the changing environment of neurosurgical practice.
- Learn of different hospital relationships negotiated by other physicians and groups that conducted successful negotiations and concrete examples from real-world experience of individuals and groups that conducted successful negotiations and established new working relationships.

NEW
PC15 Neurosurgeon-hospital Relationships: Options, Negotiations, and Achieving What You Are Worth
Course Directors: Dong H. Kim, Ann R. Stroink
Faculty: Deborah L. Benzil, John J. Knightly, Robert E. Harbaugh, Edie E. Zusman
Course Description: This course will cover the major changes occurring in the US health care system and the resulting effects on neurosurgical practice. Demographic trends will be reviewed, from increasing employment by hospitals to the rise of new entities like Accountable Care Organizations. A trainee looking for a job or an established surgeon looking at new opportunities or different relationships to local institutions will be able to understand the options available and factors relevant to a successful negotiation. How do hospitals and other institutions value neurosurgeons currently, and how might that change? What is the legal basis for such relationships that define what is and is not possible? What makes an opportunity attractive now, and how can one determine viability in the future? This course will review macro-level changes coupled with faculty that can provide concrete examples from real-world experience of individuals and groups that conducted successful negotiations and established new working relationships.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Describe what makes a neurosurgeon valuable, and what options are available to neurosurgeons currently, and how might that change?
- What is the legal basis for such relationships that define what is and is not possible?
- What makes an opportunity attractive now, and how can one determine viability in the future?
- This course will review macro-level changes coupled with faculty that can provide concrete examples from real-world experience of individuals and groups that conducted successful negotiations and established new working relationships.
- Recognize the changing environment of neurosurgical practice and engage their local environment to improve service line performance and patient care.
6:30–8:30 pm $190 (includes three-course dinner and beverage)

DIN1: The Bottom Line in a Changing World—Updates about CPT, ICD-10, MIPS, and Bundling
Moderators: John K. Ratliff, Clemens M. Schirmer
Faculty: Atman Desai, Philip W. Tally, Luis M. Tumialan
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
› Discuss the basics of CPT coding and how various codes are selected for specific cases.
› Summarize the update on new CPT codes recently passed for 2018.
› Implement these coding changes in their own practices to insure accuracy and reimbursement.
› Discuss the impact of MACRA/MIPS and the new Quality Payment Program.
› Appreciate the potential impact of bundled payments.
› Discuss the impact of ICD-10 implementation.
› Apply these lessons to the implementation of ICD-10 in their own practices.

III Forks
Located in the heart of downtown, III Forks Steakhouse Houston is a contemporary take on a classic upscale steakhouse. The restaurant features a lively bar and lounge area with menu items such as USDA Prime beef, ocean-fresh seafood, and lighter, local favorites. Upon entering the front door, the foyer welcomes guests with an array of over 1,500 fine wines from the spectacular glass wine room.

Open Table awarded III Forks the Diners’ Choice Award in 2018.

Complimentary shuttle service will depart from the Marriott Marquis Houston at 6:15 pm.

Saturday, October 6 | 5:00–6:30 pm
INTERNATIONAL RECEPTION
Marriott Marquis Houston

Join your colleagues from around the world at the 2018 International Reception. Enjoy hors d’oeuvres and cocktails while chatting with some of the top international professionals in the field of neurological surgery. All international attendees and their registered guests are invited to attend.

*International attendees are considered those who live outside the US, Canada, and Mexico.

Texas-shaped rooftop pool at the Marriott Marquis Houston
8:00 am–4:00 pm
SYM2 Surgical Robotics: Engineering to Bedside

4:41–5:03 pm
SPECIAL LECTURE
Space Medicine, Terrestrial Applications for Human Health, Performance, and Longevity
Smith L. Johnston III

6:03–6:30 pm
SPECIAL LECTURE
A Conversation with Al Unser Jr. The Nervous System at 220 MPH!
Al Unser Jr.

6:30–8:30 pm
OPENING RECEPTION
The SYMPOSIUM 2 Surgical Robotics: Engineering to Bedside* was a symposium that took place from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Sunday, October 7th. The symposium was held in collaboration with Cambridge Consultants and featured presentations and discussions on the applications of robotics in various medical procedures.

**Course Directors:** Michael R. Raber, Chengyuan Wu

**Speakers:** Monty Barlow, Sarat P. Chandra, Louis Chenin, Jorge A. Gonzalez-Martinez, Amy Kerdok, Serge Roux, Garnette Sutherland, Nicholas Theodore, Melanie Turieo, David P. Vansickle, Christopher R. Wagner, Michael Y. Wang, Robert Webster III

**Course Description:** Advances in the quality and availability of 3D anatomic imaging in combination with maturing robotics technology have resulted in several robotic systems on the market that support a range of cranial and spinal surgery procedures. This symposium will provide information on the state-of-the-art in robotics, allowing participants to understand and evaluate current and upcoming systems for cranial stereotaxy, endoscopy, and spinal instrumentation. A key focus is to provide a foundational understanding of robotic systems in the context of clinical benefit so participants will have a framework to make educated assessments regarding tradeoffs between features and performance of current and upcoming systems. Building upon this foundation, the future of robotics in neurosurgery will also be discussed. Didactic sessions will be supplemented by a series of breakout sessions where participants will have an opportunity to interact firsthand with current robotic systems and discuss usage with surgeons who have used the systems in clinical practice.

**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Explain the potential benefits of image-guided robotics as distinct from current image-guided (non-robotic) neurosurgery and spinal surgery procedures, including cranial stereotaxy, endoscopy, and spinal instrumentation.
- List the features, workflows, benefits, and drawbacks of the available robotic systems for neurosurgery and spinal surgery.
- Review the current state of evidence-based support for robotic systems.
- Identify the key technology features of image-guided robotic systems to enable a principled assessment of future robotic systems.
- Review upcoming developments in the field of medical robotics to understand clinical trends and potential benefits.

The symposium included several sessions throughout the day, each focusing on different aspects of surgical robotics and their applications in neurosurgery and spinal surgery. Here is a summary of the sessions:

- **8:00–9:00 am:** Didactic Session 1: Background/History of Surgical Robotics
  - Welcome and Introductory Remarks by Michael R. Raber and Chengyuan Wu
  - Image-guided Robotics for Neurosurgery by Garnette Sutherland
  - Minimally Invasive Surgical Robotics—Past and Future by Amy Kerdok
  - Historical Trends in Surgical Tools—From Manual to Robotic Panel Discussion
  - Morning Breakout Session with Corporate Sponsor

- **9:00–10:00 am:** Didactic Session 2: Spine Applications of Robotics
  - Applications of Robotics in Spine Surgery and Spine Surgery Training by Michael Y. Wang
  - Robotic Development to Fit the Unique Needs of Spine Surgery by Nicholas Theodore
  - Screw Placement Accuracy Using Robotic Assistance and Intraoperative Fluoroscopy by Louis Chenin
  - Current and Future State of Robotics in Spine Surgery Panel Discussion
  - Morning Breakout Session with Corporate Sponsor

- **10:00–11:00 am:** Didactic Session 3: Cranial Neurosurgery Applications of Robotics
  - Robotic Applications in Deep Brain Stimulation by David P. Vansickle
  - Robotic Applications in Epilepsy by Jorge A. Gonzalez-Martinez
  - Endoscopy and Robotics by Sarat P. Chandra
  - Didactic Session 3: Cranial Neurosurgery Panel Discussion

- **11:00 am–12:00 pm:** The Current and Future State of Robotics in Cranial Neurosurgery Panel Discussion
  - Lunch and Breakout Session with Corporate Sponsor

- **1:00–2:00 pm:** Didactic Session 4: Evaluation and Assessment of Current Technology
  - Efficiency and Accuracy Trade-offs in Current Robotic Systems (Non-CME Talk) by Christopher R. Wagner
  - Pre-operative Setup and Intraoperative Workflow Considerations for Current Robotic Systems by Melanie Turieo
  - Didactic Session 4: Assessment of Current Technology Panel Discussion

- **2:00–3:00 pm:** Advances in Minimally Invasive Robotics for Neurosurgery by Robert Webster III
  - Artificial Intelligence for Pre-operative Planning Support and Post-operative Analysis by Joe Corrigan
  - Next Generation User Interfaces for Spine Surgery by Serge Roux

- **3:00–4:00 pm:** Questions and Discussion

*This is a non-CME symposium
NEW PC17 New Era in Stenting
Course Director: Andrew W. Grande
Course Description: The next generation of intra-cranial stents continues to increase the number, shape, and type of cerebral aneurysms that can be treated endovascularly. During this course, neurosurgeons will be introduced to the latest approved devices and allowed to practice deploying them.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Review the indications for placement of pulse rider, barrel stent, LVIS, LVIS Jr., Atlas, and venous stents.
› Describe the technical tips for placement of pulse rider, barrel stent, LVIS, LVIS Jr., Atlas, and venous stents.
› Practice deploying stents on simulators.
CV 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
NEW PC20 Thoracolumbar Spinal Deformity for the Non-deformity Spine Surgeon
Course Directors: Dean Chou, Paul Park
Faculty: Ian G. Dorward, Kai-Ming G. Fu, D. Kojo Hamilton, Praveen V. Mummaneni, Lee A. Tan
Course Description: This course will use case-based learning to describe the diagnosis and treatment of thoracolumbar deformity, including pearls for complication avoidance.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Describe appropriate measures for diagnosis and classification of thoracolumbar spinal deformity.
› Describe surgical approaches and techniques for correction of thoracolumbar spinal deformity.
› Discuss common complications and management strategies for thoracolumbar deformity surgery
PA 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
NEW PC16 Association of Neurosurgical Physician Assistants (ANSPA) Fall 2018 CME Meeting Presented in Collaboration with Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS)
Course Director: Grace H. Bryan
Course Description: This course is specifically designed by the Association of Neurosurgical Physician Assistants for Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners that are practicing or interested in neurosurgery.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Identify and discuss diagnoses and treatment options related to neurological pathology.
› Conduct patient workup to diagnose and treat patients with neurosurgery-related conditions.
› Demonstrate application of neurosurgical principles in advanced practitioner practice of patient triage and treatment.
CV 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
NEW PC19 Spinal Biomechanics in Modern Clinical Practice
Course Directors: Joseph S. Cheng, Tyler R. Koski
Faculty: Ricardo V. Botelho, Aruna Ganju, Ajit A. Krishnaney, Christopher M. Maulucci, Zachary A. Smith, Gregory R. Trost, Michael S. Virk, Rishi K. Wadhwa
Course Description: Evaluate the impact of biomechanics on spine surgery ranging from degenerative to trauma to deformity.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Incorporate biomechanics into surgical planning for degenerative to trauma to deformity cases.
› Discuss the application of biomechanical principles to various spinal constructs.
› Identify and avoid common complications associated with a failure to understand the role of biomechanics in spinal constructs.
SP 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
NEW PC18 CPT Update
Course Directors: John K. Ratliff, Henry H. Woo,
Faculty: Joseph S. Cheng, Atman Desai, Kim Pollock, Clemens M. Schirmer, Luis M. Tumialan
Course Description: This course will include brief primers on CPT coding for various neurosurgical procedures and an update on any new CPT codes recently passed by the AMA. The course will also provide an overview of ICD-10 and some data on how the implementation has affected neurosurgical practices.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Discuss the basics of CPT coding and how various codes are selected for specific cases.
› Summarize the update on new CPT codes recently passed.
› Review the new ICD-10 classification.
› Implement these coding changes in their own practices to insure accuracy and reimbursement.
SP 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
PC21 Neurosurgical Treatment of Chronic Headache
Course Director: Jason M. Schwab
Faculty: Mark Burish, Cormac O. Maher, Sean J. Nagel, Wouter I. Schievink, Konstantin V. Slavin
Course Description: This course will focus on the decision-making of neurosurgeons confronting patients with chronic headaches. Using case-based discussions, the faculty will discuss identification of patients who are likely to do well with neurosurgical intervention and those who are not. Evidence-based medical and surgical options will be discussed for each condition.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Discuss appropriate workup and non-neurosurgical management of different causes of chronic headache.
› Develop patient selection tools to improve neurosurgical outcomes and apply these tools to their practices.
› Review current evidence-based treatment of chronic headaches.
PA 8:00–11:30 am $450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student
NEW

PC22 Review of Functional Neurosurgery for the Non-specialist
Course Directors: Sharona Ben-Haim, Jennifer A. Sweet
Faculty: Ellen L. Air, Vanessa M. Holanda, Paul A. House, Roy S. Hwang, Andre Machado, Charles B. Mikell, Nader Pouratian
Course Description: The course will review anatomy relevant to functional neurosurgery and outline how to incorporate functional procedures into non-functional neurosurgery practices.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Describe functional neuroanatomy of the brain and its relationship to key procedures in functional neurosurgery, including neuromodulation and neuroablation.
› List common disorders that can be effectively treated or cured by functional neurosurgery procedures.
› Outline which functional neurosurgery procedures can be performed in a practice not exclusively devoted to functional neurosurgery and how this capacity can be developed.

PC23 Surgical Management of Eloquent Area Tumors: Functional Mapping and/or Navigation
Course Director: Shawn L. Hervey-Jumper
Faculty: Lorenzo Bello, Hugues Duffau, Jason Heth, Jose M. Rotta, George Samandouras
Course Description: This is a course that will outline in detail the management strategies for removing tumors in eloquent or functional areas utilizing the technique of functional brain mapping.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Review decision-making for surgical management of tumors in eloquent regions.
› Discuss the use of functional mapping and imaging for removing functional area tumors.
› Identify the use of functional mapping to expedite extent of resection and outcome for brain tumors in functional regions.

PC24 Brain Tumor Update Part 1: Malignant Brain Tumors
Course Directors: Manish K. Aghi, Andrew E. Sloan
Faculty: Orin Bloch, Michael Lim, Nader Sanai, Jeffrey S. Weinberg
Course Description: This course will review standard-of-care guidelines in the management of malignant brain tumors, followed by a discussion and demonstration of innovative techniques that may become standard-of-care in the future. Attendees will have an opportunity to view and practice various techniques at vendor-sponsored booths.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Formulate treatment plans for malignant brain tumors, particularly high-grade gliomas, based on evidence-based guidelines.
› Integrate techniques such as intraoperative MRI and 5-ALA fluorescence to improve extent of resection.
› Discuss the role of neuro-monitoring in improving functional outcomes after surgery for gliomas.
› Review basic principles of stereotactic radiosurgery when used to treat malignant tumors.
› Discuss novel, minimally invasive image-guided treatments for malignant brain tumors like laser interstitial thermotherapy (LITT), convention-enhanced delivery (CED), and surgical stimulation.

PC25 Concussion: Advances in Mild Trauma Brain Injury Science
Course Directors: Julian E. Bailes, Uzma Samadani
Faculty: Maya A. Babu, Rebekah Mannix, Joseph C. Maroon, Christina L. Master
Course Description: This course will focus on the epidemiology, diagnosis, and treatment of both sports- and non-sports-related concussion. We will examine the impact of the growing number of pediatric and adult concussion diagnoses in society and review standard management of these injuries. Novel diagnostic tools and emerging therapies for concussion, including promising pharmacological agents, will be discussed.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› Apply new concepts to the historical definition of concussion.
› Recognize the multidisciplinary nature of concussion care.
› Relate new technologies to help the diagnosis and treatment of concussions.
NEW  PC26  Big Data—Core Principles of Data Science for Neurosurgeons

Course Directors: Lola B. Chambless, Nader Pouratian
Faculty: Dallin Akagi, Genevera Allen, Sandi Lam, Bennett Landman, John F. Magnotti, Eric K. Oermann, Clemens M. Schirmer, Timothy R. Smith

Course Description: Data science is a rapidly evolving field that impacts neurosurgeons in every aspect of their careers by changing the way scientific discoveries are made and health care is delivered. In this course, a diverse group of speakers with backgrounds in neurosurgery, statistics, imaging, and industry will provide a framework to understand how advanced data science techniques can be employed to improve study design, patient outcomes, and practice management.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Identify common data science strategies, resources, and databases useful for health care practitioners.
- Define key terms including “natural language processing,” “machine learning,” “radiomics,” and “artificial intelligence.”
- Explore solutions to a problem in a large-sample data set in a workshop format.
- Learn how to use pooled neurosurgical practice data to enhance individual practice management.
- Identify methods of collaborating with industry and scientific partners to solve neurosurgical research questions using advanced data science techniques.

TU 12:30–4:00 pm
$450 Physician, $300 Nurse/NP/PA, $125 Resident/Medical Student

PC27  Brain Tumor Update Part 2: Benign Brain Tumors

Course Directors: Randy L. Jensen, Isaac Yang
Faculty: Jeffrey N. Bruce, Daniel P. Cahill, Ricardo J. Komotar, Mark E. Linskey, Ramesh C. Mishra, Allen Waziri

Course Description: This course will discuss the appropriate use of radiosurgery and surgery for benign central and peripheral nervous tumors.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Discuss contemporary management of benign tumors by microsurgery and endoscopy.
- Review contemporary management of benign tumors by radiosurgery.
- Detail contemporary management of specific tumor histologies, including skull base meningiomas, pituitary adenomas, acoustic neuromas, chordomas, peripheral nerve tumors, and pediatric tumors.
- Apply these treatment strategies or refer appropriate patients in their practice for surgery or radiosurgery therapy.

1:00–3:00 pm
CNS Resident SANS Challenge Preliminary Round

The ANSPA Annual CME Meeting is created specifically for PAs and NPs working in, or interested in, neurosurgery.
4:30–6:30 pm   Texas Ballroom at the Marriott Marquis Houston

GENERAL SCIENTIFIC SESSION I: Technology as a Means of Enhancing Human Performance

Presiding Officer: Ashwini D. Sharan
Moderators: Brian L. Hoh, Alexander A. Khalessi

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

- Review surgical indications and published data regarding endoscopic evacuation of intracerebral hemorrhage.
- Identify technologies and current state-of-the-art in brain-machine interface research.
- Review the application of robotic technology to support the placement of spinal instrumentation and implant limitations.

4:30–4:33 pm
Opening Remarks, Introduction, and Disclosures
Ashwini D. Sharan

4:33–4:38 pm
Executive Committee and Annual Meeting Committee Acknowledgements
Ashwini D. Sharan

4:38–4:41 pm
Introduction of Smith Johnston
Mark N. Hadley

4:41–5:03 pm
Special Lecture
Space Medicine, Terrestrial Applications for Human Health, Performance, and Longevity
Smith L. Johnston III, MD, MS

5:03–5:18 pm
The Role of Surgery in the Management of Intracerebral Hemorrhage
Daniel L. Barrow

5:18–5:33 pm
Brain Machine Interfaces for Restoration of Communication and Motor Function
Jaimie M. Henderson

5:33–5:39 pm
Neurosurgery Tumor Paper of the Year

5:39–5:45 pm
Neurosurgery Neurotrauma and Critical Care Paper of the Year

5:45–6:00 pm
Robotics in Spinal Surgery: Fad or Frontier
Nicholas Theodore

6:00–6:03 pm
Introduction of Al Unser Jr.
Michael C. Cawley

Join us at the OPENING RECEPTION

Sunday, October 7
6:30–8:30 pm
Marriott Marquis Hotel

Kick off your Annual Meeting with a stellar reception at the Marriott Marquis Houston. Join your colleagues and friends over hors d’oeuvres, cocktails, and entertainment.
7:00–8:30 am
Guidelines for Acute Cervical and Thoracolumbar Spine Trauma

11:50 am–12:15 pm
WALTER E. DANDY ORATION
A Conversation with Laird Hamilton: Risk, Reward, and Overcoming Fear

9:23–9:45 am
HONORED GUEST PRESENTATION
The Neurosurgeon as a Stroke Specialist
Robert H. Rosenwasser

4:15–6:15 pm
Case-based Discussion Sessions
GUIDELINES SESSIONS & SUNRISE SCIENCE

7:00–8:30 am
Guidelines for Acute Cervical and Thoracolumbar Spine Trauma
Moderator: John E. O’Toole
Speakers: Bizhan Aarabi, Paul M. Arnold, John H. Chi, Daniel J. Hoh, R. John Hurlbert, John E. O’Toole, Patricia B. Raksin, Nicholas Theodore
Course Description: This seminar will assess the existing evidence-based guidelines for the management of acute cervical and thoracolumbar spine trauma and explore concepts regarding evaluation, treatment, and protocols as they relate to patient outcome.
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
º Identify advances in the medical and surgical treatment of traumatic cervical and thoracolumbar spinal injury.
º Assess current evidence-based medicine literature on the diagnosis and treatment of traumatic cervical and thoracolumbar spinal injury.
º Describe protocols for diagnosis and treatment of cervical and thoracolumbar spine injury.

7:00–7:09 am
Introduction to Guidelines: Purpose and Practicality
John E. O’Toole

7:09–7:18 am
Hemodynamics and Spinal Cord Perfusion in SCI
Daniel J. Hoh

7:18–7:27 am
Pharmacologic Treatment of Acute Spinal Cord Injury
R. John Hurlbert

7:27–7:36 am
Timing of Surgical Intervention in Spine Trauma
Paul M. Arnold

7:36–7:45 am
Management of Injuries of the Craniocervical Junction
Nicholas Theodore

7:45–7:54 am
Management of Subaxial Cervical Spine Injuries
Bizhan Aarabi

7:54–8:03 am
Diagnosis and Classification of Thoracolumbar Spine Injury
Patricia B. Raksin

8:03–8:12 am
Management of Thoracolumbar Spine Injuries
Daniel J. Hoh

8:12–8:21 am
Unique Surgical Strategies for Thoracolumbar Spine Fractures
John H. Chi

8:21–8:30 am
Questions and Discussion

For a listing of Sunrise Science oral presentations, please see pages 70-73.
Learning Objectives:
º Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies, critique the design and methodology.
º List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
º Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
º Apply lessons of ongoing research to neurosurgical care of patients.

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Session 1
Moderators: Pamela S. Jone, Brian V. Nahed

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Session 2
Moderators: Mark D. Bain, Michael R. Levitt, Eric C. Peterson
MISSION CONTROL: THE CNS EXHIBIT HALL
The hub where it all happens.

The CNS Exhibit Hall is the place to get hands-on with bold new technology and discover the latest advances from our corporate partners. With more than 150 companies in attendance, the Exhibit Hall is the most efficient way to find and compare devices and other technologies for your neurosurgical practice.

IN-BOOTH DEMONSTRATIONS. See how some of the leading subspecialty experts utilize that technology in their practice and try new devices out for yourself.

VISIT THE PRESENTATION STAGE during your morning and afternoon breaks. Every morning, surgeons from top institutions across the US will operate live via telemedicine between 10:00–10:30 am.

Afternoons from 1:45–2:45 pm, look for Educational Update Sessions: Quick 10-minute talks that fill you in on the latest from industry leaders, an FDA Session, and more.

Join CNS’s top corporate partners each day for a complimentary lunch-and-learn session covering important clinical topics. Choose one daily, from 12:15–1:45 pm.

MAKE TIME FOR THE CNS XPERIENCE LOUNGE, where you can find all of your CNS needs in one place!

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GENERAL SCIENTIFIC SESSION II: Neurosurgeon as Hero

Presiding Officer: Ganesh Rao
Moderators: Nicholas C. Bambakidis, Nader Pouratian

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

- Discuss the existing data supporting stem cell implantation for cortical stroke recovery.
- Identify intrinsic brain tumor patients who may be candidates for immunotherapy.
- Review the progress in minimally invasive surgical approaches for spinal deformity.

8:45–8:48 am
Introductions and Disclosures
Ganesh Rao

8:48–8:58 am
Middle Meningeal Artery Embolization for Subdural Hematoma
Jared Knopman

8:58–9:08 am
The Evolution of Less Invasive Adult Deformity Surgery
Michael Y. Wang

9:08–9:18 am
Stem Cell Therapy for Stroke
Gary K. Steinberg

9:18–9:23 am
Introduction of Honored Guest
James S. Harrop

9:23–9:45 am
Honored Guest
The Neurosurgeon as a Stroke Specialist
Robert H. Rosenwasser

9:45–10:45 am
Morning Beverage Break
Visit the Exhibit Hall

10:00–10:30 am
Live Surgery in the Exhibit Hall
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10:51–11:01 am
Nexus Presentation
Nicholas C. Bambakidis, Peter Nakaji

11:01–11:07 am
CNS RESIDENT AWARD PRESENTATION
Towards the Co-clinical Glioblastoma Treatment Paradigm—Radiomic Machine Learning Identifies Glioblastoma Gene Expression in Patients and Corresponding Xenograft Tumor Models
Pascal O. Zinn

11:07–11:13 am
K12/GETCH AWARD
Amygdala Inhibits Breathing in Humans—Understanding How Seizure Spread to the Amygdala Causes Apnea and Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy
Brian J. Dlouhy

11:13–11:16 am
Introduction of CNS President
Ali R. Rezai

11:16–11:41 am
Presidential Address
Ashwini D. Sharan

11:41–11:47 am
Neurosurgery Top Paper of the Year, Pain Paper of the Year, and Spine and Peripheral Nerve Paper of the Year

11:47–11:50 am
Introduction of Dandy Orator
Michael L. Levy, Gerald E. Rodts Jr.

11:50 am–12:15 pm
Neurosurgery Top Paper of the Year,
A Conversation with Laird Hamilton:
Risk, Reward, and Overcoming Fear
Laird Hamilton
**M01 Honored Guest Luncheon: The Business of Medicine in the 21st Century—Pearls and Pitfalls**

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**Speaker:** Robert F. Heary  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Translate the evolution of neurovascular technology in the treatment of hemorrhagic stroke.  
- Identify the steps in academic neurosurgery career development.  
- Recognize the importance of systems and processes of care in organizing neurosurgical care delivery.

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**M02 Navigating MACRA/MIPS and Bundled Payments**  
**Moderator:** Paul L. Penar  
**Faculty:** Rachel Groman, Keith R. Kuhlengel, Sandi Lam, Jonathan Slotkin  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Describe the components of the MACRA legislation pertinent to neurosurgeons.  
- Comprehend the choices involved when choosing one of the different penalty programs.  
- Share this information with their practices and implement their optimal choice going forward.  
- Learn about the challenges of implementing a “spine bundle” into clinical practice.

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**M03 Is Intracerebral Hemorrhage a Surgical Disease?**  
**Moderator:** Daniel L. Barrow  
**Faculty:** Abel Po-Hao Huang, Christopher P. Kellner, Gustavo Pradilla, Alejandro M. Spiotta  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Learn the current status of multiple trials using new technology to evacuate deep clots with minimal brain disruption.  
- Identify new indications for clot removal.

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**M04 Venous Stenting for Pseudotumor**  
**Moderator:** Felipe Albuquerque  
**Faculty:** Robert F. James, Michael R. Levitt, Kenneth C. Liu, Kenneth V. Snyder  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Describe the current techniques for quantifying venous outflow insufficiency.  
- Compare and contrast stenting and shunting for ICP treatment.

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**M05 Controversies in Spinal Deformity Surgery**  
**Moderator:** Robert F. Heary  
**Faculty:** Richard G. Fessler, Kai-Ming G. Fu, Lee A. Tan  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Discuss techniques and approaches to treat adult spinal deformity.  
- Determine appropriate indications and treatment pathways for adult deformity patients.  
- Identify and avoid common complications associated with thoracolumbar and cervical deformity.

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SANS supplemental exam is available for an additional $15.

**M06 Cervical Spondylotic Myelopathy: Anterior Versus Posterior Approaches**  
**Moderator:** Zoher Ghogawala  
**Faculty:** Erica F. Bisson, Perry P.S. Dhaliwal, Asdrubal Falavigna, Iain H. Kalfas, Vincent C. Traynelis, Christopher E. Wolfila  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Determine which patients would benefit from anterior versus posterior approaches to treat cervical radiculopathy.  
- Describe common complications associated with anterior and posterior cervical spine approaches.  
- Identify strengths and weaknesses of anterior cervical disectomy and fusion arthroplasty versus posterior minimally invasive laminoforaminotomy versus laminoplasty.

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**M07 Management of Chronic Subdural Hematoma**  
**Moderator:** Ryan S. Kitagawa  
**Faculty:** Randy S. Bell, Jack Jallo, David O. Okonkwo, Shelly D. Timmons  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
- Recognize the outcomes of TBI in the elderly.  
- Formulate a plan for surgical and non-surgical treatments of chronic SDH.  
- Explore new technologies that may improve the care of patients with subdural hematoma.
M09 Key Clinical Trials in Epilepsy Surgery
Moderators: Aviva Abosch, Timothy H. Lucas
Faculty: Jorge A. Gonzalez-Martinez, Robert E. Gross, Nitin Tandon
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
º Identify key trials and levels of evidence for resective epilepsy surgery.
º Describe relative advantages and evidence supporting neuromodulation procedures, including VNS, DBS, and RNS.
º Discuss evidence regarding seizure freedom and neurocognitive effects of laser ablation.

M10 Update on Diagnosis and Management of Low Grade Gliomas
Moderator: Brian V. Nahed
Faculty: Ian F. Pollack, Viviane S. Tabar, Nader Sanai
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
º Describe multidisciplinary approaches to treating low grade gliomas.
º Discuss recent guidelines for managing low grade gliomas.
º Outline patient specific approaches to treating low grade gliomas.

M11 Acoustic Neuromas: Current Management Strategies
Moderator: Frederick G. Barker
Faculty: Rick A. Friedman, Carl B. Heilman, Steven L. Giannotta, Ricardo Ramina, Marc S. Schwartz
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
º Discuss complication management and avoidance in surgery for acoustic neuroma.
º Outline the diagnostic workup for a patient with acoustic neuroma.
º Describe the treatment strategies for acoustic neuroma.

1:45–2:45 pm Afternoon Beverage Break
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Moderators: Joshua M. Rosenow, Michael P. Steinmetz
Speakers: Randy S. Bell, Andre Machado, Neil A. Martin, Mark L. Rosenblum

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
1. Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
2. List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
3. Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
4. Discuss updates on military neurosurgery.
5. Discuss the choices between neuroscience centers and departments and other practice types.
6. Review strategies to stay up-to-date in the socioeconomic realm.

2:45–3:10 pm
Mission Neurosurgery—Literally!
Randy S. Bell

3:10–3:15 pm
Questions and Discussion

3:15–3:45 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
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Panel Discussion—What is the Mission of Neurosurgery in the Framework of Modern Neuroscience Teams?

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  Nicholas Theodore

4:05–4:15 pm
Questions and Discussion

SECTION ON CEREBROVASCULAR SURGERY

Moderators: Joshua W. Osbun, Matthew R. Reynolds
Speakers: J D. Mocco

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
1. Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
2. List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
3. Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
4. Identify the breadth of neurosurgery research.
5. Apply the body of work of the Drake Lecturer.

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SECTION ON DISORDERS OF THE SPINE AND PERIPHERAL NERVES

Moderator: Daniel J. Hoh
Speakers: Domagoj Coric, Ziya L. Gokaslan, Adam S. Kanter, Daniel C. Lu, Praveen V. Mummaneni, Gerald E. Rodts, Nicholas Theodore, Michael Y. Wang

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
1. Discuss current concepts regarding the management of complex spinal pathologies.
2. Compare various spine surgical treatment strategies with respect to patient outcome.
3. List important areas for further knowledge development and research.

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SECTION ON NEUROTRAUMA AND CRITICAL CARE

Moderators: Kathryn M. Beauchamp, Odette Harris

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
1. Formulate end of life plans for victims of severe TBI.
2. Identify the current legal practices associated with end of life care.
3. Interpret the outcomes of patients in a general neurotrauma population.
2:45–2:48 pm
Introduction of Marmarou Lecturer
Kathryn M. Beauchamp

2:48–3:18 pm
Marmarou Lecture
Claudia S. Robertson

3:18–3:34 pm
Debate: Should we be Playing Contact Sports?

3:18 - 3:26 pm
Yes
Allen K. Sills

3:26 - 3:34 pm
No
Alan S. Hoffer

3:34–3:50 pm
Debate: Instituting Comfort Measures:
Are We Too Early or Too Late?

3:34 - 3:42 pm
Too Early
Karen Hirsch

3:42 - 3:50 pm
Too Late
Lori Shutter

3:50–4:05 pm
Outcomes in Neurotrauma
Geoffrey T. Manley

4:05–4:15 pm
Neurotrauma in Brazil
Rodrigo Moreira Faleiro

2:45–2:48 pm
Ethics and Privacy Concerns in Neuromodulation Data
Barbara Evans

3:33–4:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
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2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY
Moderators: Edward S. Ahn, Elias B. Rizk
Speakers: Anita Mahajan, Arnold Paulino
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
› Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
› List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
› Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
› Discuss recent scientific advances in pediatric neurosurgery, as presented in the oral abstracts. Describe the indications and complications for the use of radiation modalities in pediatric neurosurgery.
› Identify the advantages and disadvantages of photon versus proton radiotherapy.

2:45–3:45 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
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3:45–4:15 pm
Protons Versus Photons: Updates and Controversies in Pediatric Oncology

3:45–4:00 pm
Pros and Cons of Photon Radiation Therapy
Anita Mahajan

4:00–4:15 pm
Pros and Cons of Proton Beam Radiation Therapy
Arnold Paulino

2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON STEREOTACTIC AND FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY
Moderators: Jonathan Miller, Joshua M. Rosenow
Speakers: Ashesh Mehta, Jonathan Miller, R. Mark Richardson, Daniel Yoshor
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
› Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
› List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
› Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
› Identify new technology in neuromodulation.
› Address ethical concerns of downloadable data.
› Determine how to integrate downloadable data into one’s practice.

2:45–3:33 pm
New Paradigms in Neuromodulation with Downloadable Data

2:45–3:00 pm
Pro—How it can help with Optimization of Therapy and Outcomes
Erika A. Petersen

3:00–3:15 pm
Con—Invasion of Privacy: Big Brother
Emily L. Levin

2:45–3:00 pm
SECTION ON PAIN
Moderators: Ahmed M.T. Raslan, Ashwin Viswanathan
Speakers: Barbara Evans, Emily L. Levin, Erika A. Petersen
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2:45–3:27 pm
Epilepsy: Resection Versus Neuromodulation Versus Ablation

2:45–2:55 pm
Resection, Ablation, or Modulation: Rational Selection of Surgical Technique in Focal Epilepsy
R. Mark Richardson

2:55–3:05 pm
Epileptic Foci Versus Epileptic Networks: Implications for Surgical Approach
Jonathan Miller

3:05–3:15 pm
Neuromodulation for Epilepsy: Mechanisms and Clinical Results
Daniel Yoshor

3:15–3:25 pm
MR-guided Laser Ablation for Focal Epilepsy: Advantages, Technique, and Complication Avoidance
Ashesh Mehta

3:25–3:27 pm
Questions and Discussion

3:27–4:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
See pages 64-65 for Oral Papers 133-140

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TU 2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON TUMORS
Moderators: Gordon Li, Michael Lim
Speakers: Frederick G. Barker, Frederick F. Lang, Darryl Lau, Philip V. Theodosopoulos
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:

- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies.
- Critique the design and methodology of these studies.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
- Review the indications for surgery, radiosurgery, medical therapy versus observation for incidental tumors.
- Review natural history of incidental tumors.
- Discuss new and emerging techniques for management of incidental tumors.

2:45–3:30 pm
Contemporary Management and Guidelines for Incidentally Found Tumors

2:45–3:00 pm
Low-grade Gliomas
Frederick F. Lang

3:00–3:15 pm
Meningiomas
Frederick G. Barker

3:15–3:30 pm
Vestibular Schwannomas
Philip V. Theodosopoulos

3:30-3:36 pm
2017-2018 Andrew Parsa Mentorship Award Recipient Talk
Darryl Lau

3:36–4:18 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
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CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSIONS
Faculty will present cases to be examined, discussed, and debated by both the audience and the panel. Registered attendees are encouraged to submit cases for consideration prior to July 31. Visit cns.org/2018 for details.

4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Outpatient Neurosurgery: From Office to ASC—Optional or Necessary?
Moderator: Karin R. Swartz
Discussants: James S. Harrop, Carlos Fernando Arias Pesantez, William C. Welch
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
› List basic neurosurgical procedures that may be amenable to outpatient treatment.
› Assess limitations and advantages of outpatient treatment.
› Construct a plan for their own practice assessing whether outpatient treatments are possible.

CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Treatment of Cerebral Aneurysms
Moderator: Stavropoula I. Tjoumakaris
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Define the indications for embolization.
› Define the indications for flow-diversion.
› Define the indications for clipping.

CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Spinal Deformity and MIS Surgery
Moderators: Peter D. Angevine, Alfred T. Ogden
Discussants: Ali A. Baaj, Isaac O. Karkari, Tyler R. Koski, Catherine Miller, Paul Park, Charles A. Sansur, Daniel M. Sciubba, Khoi D. Than
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Discuss various treatment options for the management of cervical and thoracolumbar deformity.
› Describe common complications in cervical and thoracolumbar deformity.
› Discuss techniques for minimally invasive spine surgery and complication avoidance.

TR 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Challenging Cases: TBI
Moderator: Daniel B. Michael
Discussants: Odette Harris, Joshua E. Medow, Craig H. Rabb, Eve C. Tsai, Jamie S. Ullman
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Identify challenging aspects of TBI cases.
› Employ and prioritize treatments of TBI in the polytrauma patient.
› Identify emerging treatments to optimize care of TBI patients.

4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Surgical Techniques in Trigeminal Neuralgia from the Masters
Moderator: Raymond F. Sekula
Discussants: Jeffrey A. Brown, Kim J. Burchiel, Milind S. Deogaonkar, Jun Zhong
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Implement best practices in surgical techniques for facial pain.
› Describe nuances of each surgical technique.
› Develop a schema for selecting patients who best benefit for each procedure.

CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Myelomeningocele and Associated Pathologies: Variable Practice Management
Moderator: Robin M. Bowman
Discussants: Sergio Cavalheiro, Sarah J. Gaskill, Stephanie Greene, Daniel J. Guillaume, William E. Whitehead
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Discuss variations in the management of patients with myelomeningocele.
› Identify evidence deficiencies in the standard treatment options for the associated pathologies of myelomeningocele.
› Review the controversies and variable practice associated with the management of myelomeningocele.

SF 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: The Changing Face of Epilepsy Surgery
Moderators: Jorge A. Gonzalez-Martinez, Guy M. McKhann
Discussants: Arthur Cukiert, Marc Guenot, Bhaskara Rao Malla, Nitin Tandon
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Detail the indications and outcomes of resective surgery for epilepsy.
› Delineate when neuromodulation is a preferred approach over resective surgery, and the outcomes of these interventions.
› Describe differences in outcomes for open versus MR-guided laser ablation for epilepsy.

4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Challenging Tumors
Moderator: Michael A. Vogelbaum
Discussants: Jeffrey N. Bruce, Atul H. Goel, Jose A. Landeiro, Frederick F. Lang, Nader Sanai, Marc S. Schwartz, Theodore H. Schwartz
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Identify common challenges with a variety of cranial procedures.
› Plan strategies to manage and avoid complication in challenging brain tumors.
› Apply these treatment strategies and approaches in their own challenging cases.
Panel members will provide insight into the evaluation and publication process and share their perspective on various subspecialties within neurosurgery. Following the discussion, stay for a Q&A moderated by Editor-in-Chief Dr. Nelson M. Oyesiku, MD, PhD, FACS.

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DINNER SEMINARS

DIN2: Advances and Controversies in Intracranial AVM Management
Moderators: Gary K. Steinberg
Faculty: Kevin M. Cockroft, Bruce E. Pollock, Yuanli Zhao
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
› Review the roles of endovascular embolization, microsurgery, and stereotactic radiosurgery in managing AVMs.
› Compare rates of obliteration and complications for AVMs in distinct locations, using different treatment modalities.

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DINNER SEMINARS

DIN3: Robotics and Spinal Surgery: The Future is Now
Moderators: Praveen V. Mummaneni, Mark E. Shaffrey
Faculty: Domagoj Coric, Robert E. Isaacs, Michael P. Steinmetz, Nicholas Theodore, Michael Y. Wang
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
› Discuss the evidence basis for novel spinal robotic technology.
› Evaluate how new spinal technology can be incorporated into your clinical practice.
› Identify the relative strengths and weakness of new technology compared to more traditional approaches.

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7:00–8:30 am
Sunrise Science and Late Breaking Abstract Sessions

11:47–11:50 am
CNS MICHAEL L. J. APUZZO LECTURER ON CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION
Graham T. Allison

12:15–1:45 pm
Luncheon Seminars

2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION SESSIONS
Cerebrovascular Guidelines: Aneurysms, Arteriovenous Malformations, and Acute Ischemic Stroke

Moderators: Kevin M. Cockroft, Amir R. Dehdashti, J.D. Mocco

Course Description: A diverse and experienced panel of leaders in cerebrovascular neurosurgery will provide an overview of the most current guidelines in the neurosurgical treatment of brain aneurysms, brain arteriovenous malformations, and acute ischemic stroke.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
- Review the current guidelines for the treatment of brain aneurysms.
- Identify the current guidelines for the treatment of brain AVMs.
- Discuss the current guidelines for the neurosurgical treatment of acute ischemic stroke.

Guidelines for the Treatment of Cerebral Arteriovenous Malformations

7:00–7:15 am
Natural History and Management of Unruptured AVMs
Sepideh Amin-Hanjani

7:15 am–7:30 am
Management of Ruptured AVMs
Babu G. Welch

Guidelines for the Treatment of Cerebral Aneurysms

7:30–7:40 am
Screening, Natural History, and Medical Management
Brian L. Hoh

7:40–7:50 am
Indications and Outcomes of Surgery
E. Sander Connolly

Guidelines for the Neurosurgical Treatment of Acute Ischemic Stroke

7:50–8:00 am
Indications and Outcomes of Endovascular Surgery
Adnan H. Siddiqui

8:00–8:30 am
Guidelines for the Neurosurgical Treatment of Acute Ischemic Stroke

8:00–8:15 am
Update on Trials
Kyle M. Fargen

8:15–8:30 am
New Directions
Christopher P. Kellner

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Sessions

For a listing of Sunrise Science oral presentations, please see pages 70-73.

Learning Objectives:
- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies, critique the design and methodology.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
- Apply lessons of ongoing research to neurosurgical care of patients.

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Session 3
Moderators: Nader S. Dahdaleh, Yi Lu, Alexander E. Ropper

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Session 4
Moderators: Kathryn M. Beauchamp, Analiz Rodriguez
GENERAL SCIENTIFIC SESSION III: Systems and Teams as a Means to Extend Human Performance

Presiding Officer: James S. Harrop
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
- Discuss the fundamental neurobiology underlying memory with therapeutic implications.
- Review CEO perspectives on the changing macro-economic environment for health systems and strategic planning considerations for neurosurgical care delivery.
- Identify expanding indications for skull base endoscopy and technical strategies for anterior skull base tumor resection.

8:45–8:46 am
Introduction and Disclosures
James S. Harrop

8:46–8:56 am
Neurosurgical Pain Care—Opioids and Opportunities
Joshua M. Rosenow

8:56–9:02 am
Neurosurgery Cerebrovascular Paper of the Year

9:02–9:14 am
Neuromodulation in Stroke
Andre Machado

9:14–9:26 am
Endoscopic Skull Base Surgery: Finding but not Pushing the Edge of the Envelope
Theodore H. Schwartz

9:26–9:45 am
Honored Guest
The Evolution of Neurovascular Surgery: Procedural or Disease Oriented?
Robert H. Rosenwasser

9:45–10:45 am
Morning Beverage Break
Visit the Exhibit Hall

10:00–10:30 am
Live Surgery in the Exhibit Hall
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10:45–10:49 am
AANS President
Shelly D. Timmons

10:49–10:53 am
NEUROSURGERY® Publications Update
Nelson M. Oyesiku

10:53–10:58 am
Washington Committee Report
Ann R. Stroink

10:58–11:01 am
Distinguished Service Award Presentation
Mark N. Hadley
Presented by Alan M. Scarrow

11:00–11:06 am
Founder’s Laurel Award Presentation
A. Leland Albright
Presented by Alan M. Scarrow

11:06–11:47 am
CEO Panel
Moderator: Ali R. Rezai

11:47–11:50 am
Introduction of CNS Michael L. J. Apuzzo Lecturer on Creativity and Innovation

11:50 am–12:15 pm
CNS Michael L. J. Apuzzo Lecturer on Creativity and Innovation
Graham T. Allison
12:15–1:45 pm

LUNCHEON SEMINARS

All Luncheon Seminars include a plated lunch served in the seminar room. Luncheon Seminar fee is $95 each ($75 for residents, fellows, medical students, and advance practice providers).

**SE**

**T12** Medical Malpractice Update 2018  
**Moderator:** Richard N. Wohns  
**Faculty:** Jeffrey W. Cozzens, Bharat Guthikonda, Alan M. Scarrow, Gary R. Simonds  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Outline the salient and current demographics of medical malpractice environment.  
- Summarize the status and barriers to meaningful tort reform.  
- Contrast similarities and differences in employment models that alter perceptions and the processing of malpractice cases.

**CV**

**T13** Dural AV Fistula: Diagnosis, Classification, and Management  
**Moderator:** Amir R. Dehdashti  
**Faculty:** Rose Du, Louis J. Kim, Leonardo Rangel-Castilla, Matthew Reynolds  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Define a dural arteriovenous fistula and identify those at high risk to hemorrhage.  
- Comprehend dAVF classification and how to select a target.  
- List the available embolization targets and which is appropriate for different fistulas.

**CV**

**T14** Update on the Management of Anti-coagulation and Anti-platelet Therapies in Neurosurgical Patients  
**Moderator:** Chad W. Washington  
**Faculty:** Alan S. Hoffer, R. Loch Macdonald, Shahid M. Nimjee  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- List available antidotes for anti-coagulants.  
- Describe the mechanism of action of reversal agents.  
- List pros and cons of giving platelets.

**SP**

**T15** Spinal Tumor Surgery: Case-based Management  
**Moderators:** Joseph S. Cheng, Ziya L. Gokaslan  
**Faculty:** Mark H. Bilsky, Charles Fisher, Aruna Ganju, Ilya Laufer, Laurence D. Rhines  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Discuss techniques and approaches to treat spinal tumors.  
- Determine appropriate indications and treatment pathways as well as guidelines for the treatment of spinal tumors.  
- Identify and avoid common complications associated with treatment of spinal tumors.

**SP**

**T16** Peak Performance: Optimizing the Spine Surgical Patient from Pre-op to Post-op  
**Moderators:** Scott A. Meyer, Marjorie C. Wang  
**Faculty:** Christopher M. Holland, John J. Knightly, Laura A. Snyder, Anand Veeravagu, Robert G. Whitmore  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Discuss approaches for identifying high-risk spine surgical patients.  
- Describe strategies for medical optimization of spine surgical patients from prior through surgery and the perioperative period.  
- Discuss the impact of medical optimization on complication avoidance and improved patient outcomes.

**TR**

**T17** Combat and Mass Casualties: Neurosurgery Under Fire  
**Moderator:** Rocco Armonda  
**Faculty:** James M. Ecklund, Andres M. Rubiano, Jeffrey M. Tomlin  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Identify unique challenges to neurosurgery in the setting of combat and mass-casualty situations.  
- Implement a triage plan for sports-related injuries.  
- Recognize the utility of triage for promoting best practices and outcomes in combat.

**PA**

**T18** SCS: Evidence and Applications  
**Moderator:** Erika A. Petersen  
**Faculty:** Ellen L. Air, Francisco A. Ponce, Alexander S. Taghva  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Discuss patient selection factors for SCS trial-review changes in SCS technology.  
- Explain surgical management and decision making in SCS placement.  
- Outline strategies for management of complications associated with SCS.

**PE**

**T19** Pediatric Dystonia: Advancements with DBS and Management Updates  
**Moderator:** Kendall H. Lee  
**Faculty:** Aviva Abosch, Scellig S. D. Stone  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Discuss the surgical and medical options for management of pediatric dystonia.  
- Review the available data on DBS management for dystonia.  
- Identify challenges and limitations for surgical dystonia management in children.
**T20 Malignant Gliomas: Advances in Surgery and Adjuvant Therapy**

**Moderator:** E. Antonio Chiocca  
**Faculty:** Jeffrey N. Bruce, Bob S. Carter, Costas G. Hadjipanayis, Ian F. Parney  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Describe multidisciplinary approaches to treating malignant gliomas.  
- Discuss recent guidelines for managing malignant gliomas.  
- Outline patient-specific approaches to treating malignant gliomas.

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**T21 Management of Pituitary Adenomas and Parasellar Pathology**

**Moderator:** Gabriel Zada  
**Faculty:** Ian F. Dunn, Antonio A. Dutra do Souto, Andrew S. Little, Susan Samson, Jason P. Sheehan  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Describe the relevant surgical anatomy for the transsphenoidal technique.  
- Outline the current surgical techniques and nuances for the resection of pituitary adenomas.  
- Describe the indications for extended transsphenoidal and transcranial approaches for pituitary adenomas.  
- Explain the indications for radiosurgery and complication avoidance in pituitary surgery.  
- Apply these principles in their own patient selection and surgical management of patients requiring pituitary surgery.

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**WINS T22 Diversity in Learning: New Initiatives in Mentorship**

**Moderator:** Beverly C. Walters  
**Faculty:** Lola B. Chambless, Mariangela B. Goncalves, Julie G. Pilitsis  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:  
- Identify the importance of life-long coaching in and out of the OR and how to find mentors.  
- Determine how generational, gender, and cultural differences might affect the mentor-mentee relationship.  
- Identify how business models might be applied to neurosurgery in terms of mentorship.
AFTERNOON SESSIONS

SECTION SESSIONS

2:45–4:15 pm
COUNCIL OF STATE NEUROSURGICAL SOCIETIES
Moderators: Joseph S. Cheng, Darlene A. Mayo
Speakers: Nathan R. Selden
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.

2:45–3:15 pm
Mission to Educate and Teach—Socioeconomics and the Future of Neurosurgical Education
Nathan R. Selden
3:15–4:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
See page 66 for Oral Papers 153-162

CV 2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON CEREBROVASCULAR SURGERY
Moderators: Christoph J. Griessenauer, Sharon W. Webb
Speakers: H. Hunt Batjer, J. D. Mocco
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
- Identify the breadth of neurosurgery research.
- Apply the body of work of the Hopkins lecturer.
- Identify the challenges of educating comprehensive cerebrovascular surgeons.

2:45–3:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
See pages 65-66 for Oral Papers 148-152
3:15–3:20 pm
Introduction of Hopkins Lecture
J. D. Mocco
3:20–3:45 pm
Nick Hopkins Lecture
3:45–4:15 pm
Educating the Cerebrovascular Surgeon of the Future
H. Hunt Batjer

SP 2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON DISORDERS OF THE SPINE AND PERIPHERAL NERVES
Moderators: Laura A. Snyder, Khoi D. Than
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
- Analyze the findings of novel spine studies and critique the design and methodology.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Apply results from areas of recent clinical research to their management of patients with spinal disease.

2:45–4:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
See pages 66-67 for Oral Papers 163-177

TR 2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON NEUROTRAUMA AND CRITICAL CARE
Moderators: Craig H. Rabb, Gary T. Schwartzbauer
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.

2:45–4:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
See pages 67-68 for Oral Papers 178-192

PA 2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON PAIN
Moderators: Sean J. Nagel
Speakers: Scott Lempka, Jason M. Schwalb
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
- Describe how neuroimaging could be used in the future to guide treatment.
- Explain how spinal cord stimulation relieves pain from a neurophysiologic perspective.
- Incorporate new outcome measures for pain into practice.

2:45–3:27 pm
The Science of Chronic Pain: Neuroimaging, Neurophysiology, and Measuring Response to Treatment with Neuromodulation

2:45–3:05 pm
Neurophysiology
Scott Lempka
3:05–3:25 pm
Outcomes
Jason M. Schwalb
3:25 pm–3:27 pm
Questions and Discussion

3:27–4:15 pm
Oral Abstract Presentations
See page 68 for Oral Papers 193-200

PE 2:45–4:15 pm
SECTION ON PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY
Moderators: Carolyn Quinsey, Jeffrey S. Raskin
Speakers: Sandi Lam, W. J. Oakes
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:
- Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.
- List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
- Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
- Discuss recent scientific advances in pediatric neurosurgery, as presented in the oral abstracts.
- Review the specialty and institutional challenges with quality monitoring.
- Identify tools for monitoring quality measures in a pediatric neurosurgery practice.
2:45–3:15 pm  
**Oral Abstract Presentations**  
See pages 68-69 for Oral Papers 201-205

3:15–3:35 pm  
**Monitoring Quality as a Specialty: Available Tools and Ideas for Improvement**  
Sandi Lam

3:35–3:55 pm  
**Controversies and Challenges in Quality Improvement**  
W. J. Oakes

3:55–4:15 pm  
**Discussion Panel**  
Moderator: Sandi Lam  
Discussants: Liliana Goumnerova, Ganesalingam Narenthiran, W. J. Oakes

**SF 2:45–4:15 pm**  
**SECTION ON STEREOTACTIC AND FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY**  
**Moderators:** Joseph S. Neimat, Sameer A. Sheth  
**Speakers:** Aviva Abosch, Brian H. Kopell, Joseph S. Neimat, Sameer A. Sheth  
**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:  
º Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology of these studies.  
º List important areas for further knowledge development and research.  
º Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.  
º Explain current theories about functional networks that underlie human psychology and how pathology within these networks lead to psychiatric disorders.  
º Describe recent advances in the neuromodulatory management of psychiatric conditions.  
º Utilize the latest evidence in psychiatric neurosurgery to optimize patients with medically refractory psychiatric disease.

2:45–3:33 pm  
**Psychiatric Disorders as Network Disorders**  

2:45–2:55 pm  
**Neurophysiological Basis of Cognitive/Limbic Networks**  
Sameer A. Sheth

2:55–3:05 pm  
**Advances in Neuroimaging of Network Structure**  
Aviva Abosch

3:05–3:15 pm  
**Network Modulation in OCD**  
Brian H. Kopell

3:15–3:25 pm  
**Network Modulation in Depression**  
Joseph S. Neimat

3:25–3:33 pm  
**Questions and Discussion**

3:33–4:15 pm  
**Oral Abstract Presentations**  
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4:12–4:15 pm  
**Questions and Discussion**
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSIONS
Faculty will present cases to be examined, discussed, and debated by both the audience and the panel. Registered attendees are encouraged to submit cases for consideration prior to July 31. Visit cns.org/2018 for details.

SP 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Cervical and Thoracolumbar Trauma
Moderators: Mohamad Bydon, Daniel C. Lu
Discussants: Victor W. Chang, Bradley Jacobs, Michele M. Johnson, Eric A. Potts, Wilson Z. Ray, Laura A. Snyder, Cheerag D. Upadhyaya, Todd D. Vogel
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Discuss various treatment options for the management of cervical and thoracolumbar trauma.
› Describe common complications in cervical and thoracolumbar trauma.
› Discuss strategies for identifying and avoiding complications in cervical and thoracolumbar trauma.

PE 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Management of Pediatric Spine Trauma
Moderator: Elias B. Rizk
Discussants: Douglas L. Brockmeyer, Andrew H. Jea, Brian J. Kelley, Jamal McClendon, Christina M. Sayama
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Review management strategies for pediatric spine injuries.
› Discuss treatment options for challenging cases of pediatric spine trauma.
› Describe advances in the management of pediatric spine trauma.

SF 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: STN Versus GPI: Key Clinical Trials
Moderators: Jonathan Miller, Erika A. Petersen
Discussants: Ron L. Alterman, Darlene A. Mayo
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Describe the anatomic location and neurophysiological connections of each target that accounts for therapeutic benefit in Parkinson’s Disease.
› Outline the advantages and limitations of stimulation of each target and how these impact selection for specific disease patterns.
› Compare findings from key clinical trials, directly comparing STN to GPI DBS.

TU 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Brain Metastases—Case Review
Moderator: Daniel P. Cahill
Discussants: Lawrence S. Chin, John S. Kuo, Jeffrey J. Olson, Jonathan H. Sherman
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Describe the different methods for treating brain metastases: surgery, radiation, LITT, chemotherapy/immunotherapy.
› Discuss recent literature on the management of multiple brain metastases.
› Discuss role of immunotherapy in treating brain metastases.

TR 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Ethical Controversies in Neurotrauma
Moderator: Patricia B. Raksin
Discussants: Perry Ball, Philip A. Villanueva
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Develop strategies for dealing with complex ethical issues in neurosurgery.
› Articulate the process of an ethics evaluation.
› Identify stewardship with respect to medical resources.

CV 4:15–6:15 pm
CASE-BASED DISCUSSION SESSION: Multi-modality Treatment of Cerebral AVMs
Moderator: Chad W. Washington
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:
› Determine the role of microsurgery in AVM treatment.
› Determine the role of embolization in AVM treatment.
› Determine the role of radiosurgery in AVM treatment.

6:15–7:15 pm
Resident Recruitment Social
Completing residency soon? Seize the opportunity to meet potential future colleagues, recruiters, and new friends.
DINNER SEMINAR

DIN4: Emerging Indications for Functional Neurosurgery: Tourette, OCD, Depression, and Pain

Moderators: Alon Y. Mogilner, Sameer A. Sheth
Faculty: Alessandra A. Gorgulho, Casey H. Halpern

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:

- Describe and employ reported outcomes in DBS for Tourette's disease.
- Critically appraise the evidence for DBS for OCD.
- Assess and apply the evidence for DBS for depression and chronic pain to management of patients with medically refractory disease.

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7:00–8:30 am
Guidelines on Skull Base Update

9:10–9:30 am
Special Lecture
Can We Create New Senses for Humans?
David Eagleman

11:47 am–12:15 pm
Special Lecture
The New Era of Extreme Bionics
Hugh Herr

7:00–8:30 am
Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstracts
Guidelines on Skull Base Update

Moderator: Chirag G. Patil
 Speakers: Franco DeMonte, Paul A. Gardner, Jeffrey J. Olson, Chirag G. Patil, Gelareh Zadeh

Course Description: The session will provide an overview of the current evidence guiding the management of skull base tumors.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:
› Discuss the current guidelines and evidence for management of vestibular schwannomas.
› Discuss the current guidelines and evidence for management of chordomas.
› Discuss the evidence behind the current guidelines for management of malignant skull base tumors.

7:00–7:05 am
Introduction
Chirag G. Patil

7:05–7:25 am
Vestibular Schwannoma Guidelines
Jeffrey J. Olson

7:25–7:45 am
Chordoma Guidelines
Paul A. Gardner

7:45–8:05 am
Meningioma
Gelareh Zadeh

8:05–8:25 am
Skull Base Malignancies
Franco DeMonte

8:25–8:30 am
Questions and Discussion

7:00–8:30 am
SUNRISE SCIENCE AND LATE BREAKING ABSTRACT SESSIONS

For a listing of Sunrise Science oral presentations, please see pages 70–73.

Learning Objectives:
› Analyze the findings of novel neurosurgical studies; critique the design and methodology.
› List important areas for further knowledge development and research.
› Identify the most important ongoing clinical trials.
› Apply lessons of ongoing research to neurosurgical care of patients.

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Session 5
Moderators: Brian Dalm, Charles B. Mikell

Sunrise Session and Late Breaking Abstract Session 6
Moderators: Mari L. Groves, Brandon G. Rocque
GENERAL SCIENTIFIC SESSION IV: Neurosurgery Future State

Presiding Officer: Steven N. Kalkanis
Moderators: Lola B. Chambless, Praveen V. Mummaneni

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

- Review enhancements in sensory materials science to augment aural experience in deaf patients.
- Discuss advancements in bionics materials science to improve prosthetics.
- Identify Parkinson’s Disease patients who may benefit from neurosurgical procedures.

8:45 am–12:15 pm

8:45–8:48 am
Introduction and Disclosures

8:48–8:54 am
Neurosurgery Stereotactic and Functional Paper of the Year

8:54–9:00 am
Neurosurgery Socioeconomics, Health Policy, and Law Paper of the Year

9:00–9:10 am
Redefining the Mission for DBS and Parkinson’s Disease
Peter Konrad

9:10–9:30 am
Special Lecture
Can We Create New Senses for Humans?
David Eagleman

9:30 am–9:36 am
Neurosurgery Pediatrics Paper of the Year

9:36–9:45 am
Brazilian Neurosurgical Society Presidential Address
Ronald de Lucena Farias

9:45–10:45 am
Morning Beverage Break
Visit the Exhibit Hall

10:00–10:30 am
Live Surgery in the Exhibit Hall
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10:45–10:48 am
Announcement of SANS Challenge Winners, Top Posters, and Residency Program Abstract Competition Winners
Ashok R. Asthagiri

10:48–10:51 am
Announcement of Innovator of the Year
Lola B. Chambless

10:51–10:54 am
Preview of 2019 CNS Annual Meeting in San Francisco
Ganesh Rao

10:54–11:04 am
Inappropriate Surgical Indications and the ABNS
Carl B. Heilman

11:04–11:14 am
Patient Selection in Spinal Surgery: Striking a Balance
Daniel K. Resnick

11:14–11:24 am
The Future of Cerebrovascular Surgery: Near and Far
E. Sander Connolly

11:24–11:34 am
Challenges in Neurosurgical Oncology
Ganesh Rao

11:34–11:44 am
Japanese CNS Presidential Address
Jun Takahashi

11:44–11:47 am
Introduction of Hugh Herr
Sameer A. Sheth

11:47 am–12:15 pm
Special Lecture
The New Era of Extreme Bionics
Hugh Herr
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**CV**

**W23** Spinal Arteriovenous Fistulae and Malformations: Management Strategies in 2018  
*Moderator: Stacey Q. Wolfe*  
*Faculty: Mohammad A. Aziz-Sultan, Andrew F. Ducruet, Roberto C. Heros, Peter Nakaji, Robert F. Spetzler*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Describe the history and classification of spinal arteriovenous malformations.  
- Identify best treatment modalities (surgical, endovascular, and radiosurgical) for the management of specific arteriovenous malformations.  
- Apply surgical techniques and nuances to management of spinal dural fistulae and arteriovenous malformations.

**CV**

**W24** Contemporary and Practical Management of an Enigmatic Process: Cerebral Vasospasm (Delayed Cerebral Ischemia)  
*Moderator: Ketan R. Bulsara*  
*Faculty: Peng R. Chen, David M. Hasan, R. Loch Macdonald, Laligam N. Sekhar*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Review the role of nimodipine.  
- Discuss the role of angioplasty  
- Learn about emerging therapies.

**SP**

**W25** Novel Techniques for Management of Lumbar Spondylolisthesis  
*Moderator: Gregory R. Trost*  
*Faculty: Charles L. Branch, Nathaniel P. Brooks, John H. Chi, Christoph P. Hofstetter, John H. Shin, Robert G. Whitmore*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Discuss diagnosis, classification, and indications for treatment of lumbar spondylolisthesis.  
- Describe various surgical techniques and approaches for neural decompression, spinal stabilization, and spondylolisthesis correction.  
- Identify and avoid complications in the management of lumbar spondylolisthesis.

**SP**

**W26** Peripheral Nerve Entrapment Syndromes: Diagnosis and Management  
*Moderator: Line G. Jacques*  
*Faculty: Justin M. Brown, Shaun T. O’Leary, Chandan G. Reddy, Gabriel C. Tender, Christopher J. Winfree, Lynda Jun-San Yang*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Describe a systematic approach to evaluation of patients with peripheral nerve entrapment syndromes.  
- Develop a non-operative or operative management strategy for these conditions.  
- Discuss advantages and disadvantages and expected outcomes of various surgical approaches.

**TR**

**W27** Sports-related Injuries  
*Moderator: Martina Stippler*  
*Faculty: Paul M. Arnold, Paul McCrory, Efstathios Papavassiliou, Christopher J. Winfree*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Evaluate neurological injuries that occur in sports.  
- Articulate how concussions are diagnosed.  
- Categorize the natural history of sports-related injuries and what treatment are available for them.

**PE**

**W28** Pediatric Head Trauma  
*Moderator: Brian J. Kelley*  
*Faculty: Robert J. Bollo, Christina M. Sayama, Eric A. Sribnick*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Discuss the unique challenges associated with head injury in the pediatric population.  
- Review current practice standards for management of pediatric head injury.  
- Identify current updates and advances in the care of pediatric patients with traumatic head injury.

**TU**

**W29** Cutting-edge Management of Brain Metastasis  
*Moderator: Daniel P. Cahill*  
*Faculty: Ekkehard M. Kasper, Sujit S. Prabhu, Patrick Wen*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Describe the multiple approaches for management of brain metastasis.  
- Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of various treatment options.  
- Discuss the guidelines for brain metastasis management.

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**W30** Advanced Imaging of Brain Tumors  
*Moderator: Shawn L. Hervey-Jumper*  
*Faculty: Benjamin M. Ellingson, Edward A. Neuwelt*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Outline the different modalities currently available and under investigation for visualizing brain tumors.  
- Explain the roles of the various imaging modalities used for brain tumors.  
- Describe the evidence for the biological processes being visualized by advanced imaging.

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**W31** Enhancing Communication Skills to Lead Your Practice  
*Moderator: Ellen L. Air*  
*Faculty: Sharona Ben-Haim, Eugenie S. Kleinerman*  
*Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:*
- Review Press-Ganey scores (whether or not you agree): How to improve your patients’ experiences and your bottom line by improving your communication skills.  
- Utilize your leadership skills to coach conflict management within your team.  
- Execute negotiation skills for both personal and departmental advancement.
Section on Cerebrovascular Surgery Oral Presentations

2:45–2:51 pm
101 Risk Factors and Outcomes of Postoperative Complications in Adult Patients with Moyamoya Disease
Meng Zhao, Jizong Zhao

2:51–2:57 pm
102 Genome Wide Analysis in Inbred Mice Identifies Distinct Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms Associated with Cerebral Vasospasm and Neurological Outcome Following Subarachnoid Hemorrhage
Robert F. Rudy, Baogang Qian, Michael J. Strong, John Zhang, Arthur L. Day, Scott T. Weiss, Rose Du

2:57–3:03 pm
103 Brain Functional Reconfiguration and Cognitive Impairment in Adult Moyamoya Disease: A Resting-state FMRI Study
Yu Lei

3:03–3:09 pm
104 The Natural Course of Moyamoya Disease in Patients with Prior Hemorrhagic Stroke: Clinical Outcome and Risk Factors for Recurrent Stroke
Jizong Zhao, Xingju Liu, Dong Zhang

3:09–3:15 pm
105 Decreases in Blood Pressure During Endovascular Stroke Therapy are Common and Associated with Poor Functional Outcome
David Mampre, Anson Wang, Kevin Sheth, Can Ozan Tan, Ryan M. Hebert, Charles Christian Matouk, Nils Petersen

3:15–3:21 pm
106 Sacrificing the Superior Petrosal Vein During Microvascular Decompression Does Not Increase Vascular Complications: Experience from One Institution
Yuanxuan Xia, Timothy Y. Kim, Leila A. Mashouf, Kisha K. Patel, Risheng Xu, Joshua Casaoas, Eileen Kim, Alice L. Hung, Adela Wu, Tomas Garzon-Muvdi, Matthew T. Bender, Christopher M. Jackson, Chetan Bettegowda, Michael Lim

3:21–3:27 pm
107 Prospective Randomized Study Comparing Clinical, Functional, Aesthetic, and Quality of Life Results of Transpalpebral, Nanopterional, and Classic Pterional Approaches
Mauricio Mandel, Rafael Tutihashi, Ebeval G. Figueiredo, Jefferson Rossi Junior, Brasil Jeng, Manoel Jacobsen Teixeira

3:27–3:33 pm
108 Intraoperative Technical Complications in Cerebral Revascularization Surgery: An Analysis of 430 Consecutive Cases
James S. Yoon, Joseph R. Linzey, Jan-Karl Burkhardt, Jacob F. Baranoski, Justin R. Mascitelli, Michael T. Lawton

3:33–3:39 pm
109 Development of an Endovascular Transvenous Delivery System for Implantation of an Inferior Petrosal Sinus Transdural Cerebrospinal Fluid Shunt
Adel M. Malek, Carl B. Heilman

3:39–3:45 pm
110 Patient-Specific Cerebral Regional Blood Flow Model Using Quantitative MR Angiography to Predict Stump Pressure
Daniel Li, Meide Zhao, Sepideh Amin-Hanjani, Robert Kufahl, Xinjian Du, Victor A. Aletich, Ali Alaraj, Jianmin Li, Fady T. Charbel

Council of State Neurosurgical Societies Oral Presentations

3:15–3:21 pm
111 Returns to Operating Room After Neurosurgical Procedures in a Tertiary Care Academic Medical Center: Implications for Health Care Policy and Quality Improvement
Panagiotis Kerezoudis, Amy E. Glasgow, Mohammed A. Alvi, Robert J. Spinner, Anshit Goyal, Fredric B. Meyer, Mohamad Bydon, Elizabeth B. Habermann

3:21–3:27 pm
112 Patient Out-of-pocket Spending for Neurosurgical Operations is Increasing: Analysis of 13,673 Consecutive Cases from a Tertiary Referral Center
Michael A. Mooney, Seungwon Yoon, Tyler S. Cole, John P. Sheehy, Michael Bohl, Frank Barranco, Peter Nakaji, Andrew S. Little, Michael T. Lawton

3:27–3:33 pm
113 Cost-utility of Revisions for Cervical Deformity Correction Warrants Minimization of Reoperations

3:33–3:39 pm
114 The Effect of Best Practice Alerts in Electronic Medical Records for Low Back Pain Imaging
Yi-Ren Chen, Doris Chen

3:39–3:45 pm
115 Neurosurgical Resident Attrition
Michael D. White, Nitin Agarwal, Susan C. Pannullo, Lola B. Chambless

Section on Pain Oral Presentations

3:33–3:39 pm
116 Exome Sequencing Uncovers Molecular Determinants of Trigeminal Neuralgia
3:39–3:45 pm
**117** Targeted Muscle Reinnervation Successfully Treats Neuroma Pain and Phantoms in Major Limb Amputees: A Randomized Clinical Trial
Lauren M. Mioton, Gregory A. Dumanian, Jennie Cheesborough, Ian Valerio

3:45–3:51 pm
**118** Use of MR Texture Analysis to Predict Outcome After Percutaneous Cordotomy for Medically Refractory Cancer Pain
Aditya Vedantam, Islam Hassan, Aikaterini Kotrotsou, Rivka R. Colen, Ashwin Viswanathan

3:51–3:57 pm
**119** Case Series: Outcomes in Peripheral Nerve Stimulation for Medically Refractory Atypical Facial Pain
James T. McMahon, Muhibullah S. Tora, J. Nicole Bentley, Melissa A. Campbell, Orion P. Keifer, Nicholas M. Boulis

3:57–4:03 pm
**120** Preoperative Predictors of Poor Postoperative Pain Control: Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis
Michael M.H. Yang, Rebecca Hartley, Alexander Leung, Paul Ronksley, Nathalie Jette, Steven Casha, Jay Riva-Cambrin

4:03–4:09 pm
**121** Opioid Disposal Patterns in Postoperative Adult Spine Patients: Are We Over Prescribing
Jihad Abdelgadir, Jacqueelyn Corely, Aaron Tarnasky, Kevin Wall, Hanna Kemeny, Diego Galan, Edmund Ong, C. Rory Goodwin, Padma Gulur, Isaac O. Karikari

#### Section on Pediatric Neurological Surgery Oral Presentations

2:45–2:51 pm
**123** Hydrocephalus Due to Intraventricular Hemorrhage is Determined by P-glycoprotein Expression in an Experimental Model
Satish Krishnamurthy, Jie Li, Yimin Shen, E. Mark Haacke

2:51–2:57 pm
**124** Intraventricular Hemorrhage Clearance Markers in Human Neonatal CSF: Predictors of Hydrocephalus and Outcome
Chandana Buddhala, Mounica Paturu, Diego Morales, Christopher Smyser, David D. Limbrick Jr., Kelly B. Mahaney, Jennifer Strahle

2:57–3:03 pm
**125** De Novo Mutations in Genes Regulating Neural Stem Cell Fate in Human Congenital Hydrocephalus

3:03–3:09 pm
**126** Postictal EEG Activity in Pediatric and Adult Patients Undergoing Epilepsy Surgery: A Network Perspective
Samuel Tomlinson, Ankit Khamibhati, Rebecca M. Kamens, Brenda E. Porter, Eric D. Marsh

3:09–3:15 pm
**127** Thermal Dynamics, Volumetrics, and Seizure Outcomes Following Magnetic Resonance-guided Laser Interstitial Thermal Therapy (MRgLITT) in Pediatric Lesional Epilepsy
Kelsey D. Cobourn, Islam Fayed, Shannon Sullivan, Chima Oluigbo

3:15–3:21 pm
**128** Endoscopic Hemispherotomy Technique in Pediatric Epilepsy Surgery: Preliminary Experience in Clinical Implementation
Sandi Lam, Kathryn Wagner

3:21–3:27 pm
**129** ICP Measurement Under General Anesthesia is Not Reliable
Ruth E. Bristol, Christina E. Sarris, Davinder Singh, Nicole Hooft

3:27–3:33 pm
**130** Safety and Target Identification of Stereotactic Biopsy in Children with DIPG—The INFORM Study Experience
Ahmed El Damaty, Elke Pfaff, Karl L. Kiening, Andreas W. Unterberg, Olaf Witt, Heidi Baechli

3:33–3:39 pm
**131** Dynamic Magnetic Resonance Imaging Parameters For Objective Assessment of the Magnitude of Tethered Cord Syndrome in Patients with Spinal Dysraphism
Suyash Singh, Sanjay Behari, Kamlesh S. Bhaisora, Rajendra V. Phadke

3:39–3:45 pm
**132** Ascent of the Conus Medullaris: A Retrospective Analysis of the Rate and Degree of Conus Ascent in Neonates
Andrew Fanous, Katie L. Konesky, John Paul G. Kolcun, Justice O. Agyei, Evan Winograd, Renee M. Reynolds

#### Section on Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery Oral Presentations

3:27–3:33 pm
STEREOTACTIC AND FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY RESIDENT AWARD

**133** Optogenetic Modulation of Inhibitory Cortical Interneuron Subtypes Regulates Epileptiform Activity in a Mouse Model of Seizures
Francesco Pucci, Barry Connors

3:33–3:39 pm
**134** Recurrent Neural Networks Improve Classification of Episodic Memory Encoding
Akshay Arora, Sarah Segar, Gray Umbach, Bradley Lega

3:39–3:45 pm
**135** Individualized High Density Electroencephalographic Source Imaging Technique in Presurgical Workup: Contribution to Surgical Strategy Making for Intractable Epilepsy Involving Mesial Temporal Lobe Structures
Rui Feng, Jie Hu, Jinsong Wu, Chengxin Ma, Liqin Lang, Bing Sun, Li Pan

3:45–3:51 pm
**136** Posterior Parietal Cortex Encodes Peripersonal Space Within the Framework of Object Identity and Action Perception
Srinivas Chivukula, Tyson Aflalo, Nader Pouratian
3:03–3:09 pm  

**151** Groin-Hematoma in Patients Undergoing Manual Compression Following Sheath Pull  
Arun Chandra, Bowen Jiang, Matthew Bender, Jessica K. Campos, David A. Zarrin, Chau D. Vo, Robert W.C. Young, Justin Caplan, Judy Huang, Rafael J. Tamargo, Li-Mei Lin, Geoffrey P. Colby, Alexander L. Coon

3:09–3:15 pm  

**152** Intracranial Dural Arteriovenous Fistulas with Cortical Venous Drainage: Gamma Knife Radiosurgery as the Treatment of Choice  
Deepak Agrawal, Hardik Sardana, Manmohan Singh, S.S. Kale

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**Council of State Neurosurgical Societies Oral Presentations**

3:21–3:27 pm  

**SAMUEL HASSENBUSCH YOUNG NEUROSURGEON AWARD 153** Malpractice Litigation in Brain Tumor Surgery: A 31-Year Analysis of Causative Factors in the United States  

3:27–3:33 pm  

**154** Overtriage in Patients with Complicated Mild Traumatic Brain Injury: A Socio-Economic Analysis of 1447 Hospitalizations  
Bradley Dengler, Robert C. Chick, Sonia Plaza-Wuthrich, Mark Muir, Viktor Bartanusz

3:33–3:39 pm  

**155** Unplanned Returns to the Operating Room Within 30 Days in Neurosurgery: Insights from a National Surgical Registry  
Panagiotis Kerezoudis, Mohammed A. Alvi, Robert J. Spinner, Fredric B. Meyer, Anshit Goyal, Yagiz Ugur Yolcu, Elizabeth B. Habermann, Mohamad Bydon

3:39–3:45 pm  

**156** Independent Associations with 30- and 90-Day Unplanned Readmissions After Elective Lumbar Spine Surgery: A National Trend Analysis of 144,123 Patients  
Aladine A. Elsamadicy, Xinru Ren, Hanna Kemeny, Lefko Charalambous, Shervin Rahimpour, Theresa Williamson, C. Rory Goodwin, Muhammad M. Abd-El-Barr, Oren N. Gottfried, jichun Xie, Nandan Lad

3:45–3:51 pm  

**157** Regional Trends and Variations in Spine Surgery Utilization and Costs  
James S. Yoon, Chaewon Yoon, Tiffany Blaine, Udaya K. Kakarla, Michael T. Lawton

3:51–3:57 pm  

**158** A Nationwide Analysis of Cost Variation for Cerebral Aneurysm Treatment  
James S. Yoon, Chaewon Yoon, Ethan A. Winkler, Caterina Liu, Ildiko Torok, Michael T. Lawton

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**160** Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus Medicare Expenditures (2006-2010)  
Tito Vivas-Buitrago, Alessandra Rigamonti, Gabriel D. Pinilla-Monsalve, Kathryn A. Carson, Phoebe Sharkey, Jamie Robison, Ignacio Jusué-Torres, Gwendolyn Clemens, Abanti Sanyal, Jamie Hoffberger, Eric W. Sankey, Jennifer Lu, Atif Adams, Daniele Rigamonti

4:03–4:09 pm  

**161** Association Between Pre-Operative Narcotic Use with Surgical Outcomes, Patient Reported Pain Scores and Ambulatory Status After Complex Spinal Fusion (>=5 Levels) for Adult Deformity Correction  

4:09–4:15 pm  

**162** Reserved Bed Pilot Program Increases Transfer Volume and Improves Capacity Strain in a Large Neurosciences Intensive Care Unit  
Christopher D. Shank, Nicholas J. Erickson, Beverly C. Walters

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**163** Anterior Cervical Discectomy and Fusion in the Outpatient Ambulatory Surgery Setting: Analysis of 2000 Consecutive Cases  

2:51–2:57 pm  

**164** The Correlation of ODI and the 4-Question Scales for Pain and Physical Function from PROMIS  

2:57–3:03 pm  

**165** Durability of Satisfactory Functional Outcomes Following Surgical Adult Spinal Deformity Correction: A 3-Year Survivorship Analysis  

3:03–3:09 pm  

**166** Is Achieving Optimal Spinopelvic Parameters Necessary to Obtain Substantial Clinical Benefit: Analysis of Patients Who Underwent Circumferential MIS or Hybrid Surgery With Open Posterior Instrumentation  
ABSTRACTS/ORAL PRESENTATIONS

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168 Decompression Versus Fusion for Grade 1 Lumbar Spondylolisthesis: A Multicenter Assessment of 12-Month Patient Reported Outcomes Using the Quality Outcomes Database
Jian Guan, Mohammed A. Alvi, Anthony L. Asher, Mohamad Bydon, Andrew Kai-Hong Chan, Kevin T. Foley, Steven D. Glassman, Panagiotis Kerezoudis, John J. Knightly, Praveen V. Mummaneni, Paul Park, Eric A. Potts, Mark E. Shaffrey, Jonathan Slotkin, Michael S. Virk, Michael Y. Wang, Erica F. Bisson

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169 Similar Proportions Return to Work Following Fusion and Decompression Alone for Degenerative Grade 1 Lumbar Spondylolisthesis, Though the Trajectories Differ: An Analysis of the Quality Outcomes Database

3:27–3:33 pm

170 Overlapping Spine Surgery: A Retrospective Cohort Study of 90-day Complications
James G. Malcolm, Osama Kashlan, Jason L. Lamanna, Brian M. Howard, Daniel Refai

3:33–3:39 pm

171 The Safety and Efficacy of Early Surgery for Traumatic Central Cord Syndrome
Jetan H. Badhiwala, Blessing N.R. Jaja, Fan Jiang, Farshad Nassiri, Christopher D. Witwiw, Muhammad Akbar, Robert G. Grossman, Jefferson R. Wilson, Michael G. Fehlings

3:39–3:45 pm

172 Role of the Sodium/Glutamate Blocker Riluzole in Enhancing Functional Outcomes in Patient Undergoing Surgery for Degenerative Cervical Myelopathy: Results of the Prospective, Multicentre Double Blind Controlled CSM-Protect Randomized Controlled Trial

3:45–3:51 pm

173 The Role of Physical Therapy on Time to Discharge after Lumbar Interbody Fusion
Mohamed Macki, Hesham M. Zakaria, Lara W. Massie, Victor W. Chang

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174 Minimally Invasive Surgical Treatment of Metastatic Epidural Spinal Cord Compression (MESCC): An Algorithm-Based Approach
Mohammed A. Alshareef

3:57–4:03 pm

175 Outcome Analysis of Long-Term Cancer Survivors Surgically Treated for Symptomatic Spinal Metastases
Ori Barzilai, Mclaugin Lily, Eric Lis, Yoshiya Josh Yamada, Mark H. Bilsky, Ilya Lauffer

4:03–4:09 pm

176 Malignant Primary Spinal Column Tumors: Prognostic Significance of HTERT (Human Telomerase Reverse Transcriptase) Promoter Region Mutations C228T and C250T for Overall Survival

4:09–4:15 pm

177 Genetic Predictors of Local Failure Following Conventional Radiation Therapy for Spine Metastases
Dennis T. Lockney, Erik S. Anderson, Natalie Lockney, Robert Samstein, Daniel Higginson, Yoshiya Josh Yamada, Mark H. Bilsky, Ilya Lauffer, Adam Schmitt

2:45–2:51 pm

178 Comparison of Outcomes in Level I Versus Level II Trauma Centers in Patients Undergoing Craniotomy or Craniectomy for Severe Traumatic Brain Injury
Nohra Chalouhi, Fadi Al Saiegh, Robert M. Starke, Jack Jallo

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179 To Scan or Not to Scan: The Role of Follow-up CT Scanning for Management of Chronic Subdural Hematoma After Neurosurgical Evacuation (TOSCAN)—A Randomised, Controlled Trial
Philipppe Schuch, Urs Fischer, Christian Fung, Corrado Bernasconi, Jens Fichtner, Sonja Vulcu, Daniel Schöni, Andreas Nowacki, Stefan Wanderer, Christian Eisenring, Anna-Katharina Jetzer, Nicole Soell, Luca Tochtermann, Werner Z’Graggen, Andreas Raabe, Juergen Beck

2:57–3:03 pm

180 Recovery Trajectories and Long-Term Outcomes in Traumatic Brain Injury: A Secondary Analysis of the Phase 3 COBRIT Clinical Trial
Ross Puffer, John K. Yue, Julia Billigen, Jane Sharpless, Anita Lynn Fetzick, Ava Puccio, Ramon Diaz-Rastoria, David O. Okonkwo

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181 Therapeutic Application of Autologous Bone Marrow Mononuclear Stem Cell in Complete Spinal Cord Injury in Human
Renu Saini

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182 Impact of ICP Monitoring Type on Outcomes of Severe Traumatic Brain Injury—Experience of Two Academic Institutions over Eight Years
Maya Harary, Rianne G.F. Dolmans, Brittany M. Stopa, Saef Izzy, Rebekah Mannix, William B. Gormley

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183 Outcomes of Severe Traumatic Brain Injury Treated With or Without Intracranial Pressure Monitoring
Fadi Al Saiegh, Nohra Chalouhi, Nikolaos Mouctouris, Jack Jallo
3:21–3:27 pm

184 A Novel Neurosurgical DVT Prediction Model

3:27–3:33 pm

185 Admission Disposition and Cost Savings for Mild Traumatic Brain Injury
Wesley H. Jones, Panayotis Apokremiotis, Phillip Choi, Ryan S. Kitagawa

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186 Degree of Midline Shift at Presentation Affects Long-Term Outcomes in Cases of Traumatic Brain Injury: A Secondary Analysis of the Phase 3 COBRIT Clinical Trial
Ross Puffer, John K. Yue, Matthew Mesley, Julia Billigen, Jane Sharpless, Anita L. Fetzick, Ava Puccio, Ramon Diaz-Arrastia, David O. Okonkwo

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187 Could Transient Neurological Symptoms with Subdural Hematoma be Explained by Cortical Spreading Depolarization Activity in Neurons (CT-SCAN)
Mathieu Levesque, Christian Bociti, Francois Moreau, Caroline Vezina, Christian Iorio-Morin, Charles Deacon

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188 Third Delay in TBI: Time to Assessment as a Vital Predictor of Mortality
Saksham Gupta, Monty Khajanchi, Vineet Kumar, Nakul Raykar, Blake Alkire, Nobhojit Roy, Kee B. Park

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189 Decreased Distance from Midline in Decompressive Craniectomy Predicts Development of Hydrocephalus
John R. Williams, R. Michael Meyer, Jocelyn Richard, Randall M. Chesnut

3:57–4:03 pm

190 Incremental Prognostic Value of the Activated Partial Thromboplastin Time and Creatinine in Addition to the Crash Score in Traumatic Brain Injury Patients
Davi Jorge Fontoura Solla, Robson L. Amorim, Manoel Jacobsen Teixeira, Wellington S. Paiva

4:03–4:09 pm

191 Treatment Strategy for Brain Contusion in Patients with Traumatic Brain Injury—First ICP Monitoring or First Operation: A Large Cohort Study
Qiang Yuan

4:09–4:15 pm

THINKFIRST INJURY PREVENTION RESEARCH AWARD

192 Effect of Bicycle Helmet use on Traumatic Brain and Cervical Spine Injuries: A 5 Year Review
Paul Page, Daniel Burkett, Nathaniel P. Brooks
3:03–4:09 pm

211 Pretherapeutic Functional Neuroimaging Predicts Tremor Arrest After Stereotactic Radiosurgical Thalamotomy
Constantin Tuleasca, Jean Regis, Elena Najdenovska, Tatiana Witjas, Nadine Girard, Jerome Champoudry, Mohamed Faouzi, Jean-Philippe Thiran, Meritxell Bach Cuadra, Marc Levier, Dimitri Van De Ville

4:09–4:15 pm

212 Visual, Salience, and Motor Networks are Related to Tremor Recovery After Stereotactic Radiosurgical Thalamotomy: A Resting-State fMRI Study
Constantin Tuleasca, Jean Regis, Elena Najdenovska, Tatiana Witjas, Nadine Girard, Jerome Champoudry, Jean-Philippe Thiran, Meritxell Bach Cuadra, Marc Levier, Dimitri Van De Ville

Section on Tumors Oral Presentations

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AMERICAN BRAIN TUMOR ASSOCIATION YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

213 Radiomic Machine Learning Algorithms Discriminate Pseudo-Progression from True Progression in Glioblastoma Patients: A Multi-Institutional Study

3:36–3:42 pm

JOURNAL OF NEURO-ONCOLOGY AWARD

214 Non-Invasive Monitoring of Immunotherapeutic Responses in Glioblastoma Using Novel Imaging Techniques

3:42–3:48 pm

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215 The Impact of Intraoperative MRI and Other Factors on Survival for Patients with Newly Diagnosed Glioblastoma: A Multi-Center Assessment of Over 800 Patients

3:48–3:54 pm

PREUSS RESEARCH BRAIN TUMOR AWARD

216 Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF) Can Inhibit Wound Healing and Induce CSF Leaks by Inhibiting Angiogenesis
Ezequiel Goldschmidt, David Gau, Meghan Schneck, Partha Roy, Paul A. Gardner
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COLUMBIA SOFTBALL PEDIATRIC BRAIN TUMOR AWARD
217 Precision Sequencing Algorithm in Pediatric Neurosurgery
Jeffrey P. Greenfield, Uday Maachani, Birra Taha, Rohan Bareja, Kenneth Wang, Andreas Sboner, Therese Haussner, Caitlin E. Hoffman, Christopher E. Mason, Mark M. Souweidane, Olivier Elemento, David Pisapia, Prajwal Rajappa

4:00–4:06 pm
218 Divergent Clonal Evolution of Melanoma Brain Metastases in Response to Immunotherapy
Christopher Alvarez-Breckenridge, Jackson Stocking, Matt Lastrape, Naema Nayyar, Corey M. Gill, Mia Bertalan, Alexander Kaplan, Devin McCabe, Craig Horbinski, Rasheed Zakaria, Farshad Nassiri, Gelareh Zadeh, Maria Martinez-Lage Alvarez, Brian V. Nahed, William T. Curry Jr., Benjamin Izar, Mario Suva, Ryan Sullivan, Daniel P. Cahill, Scott Carter, Priscilla Brastianos

4:06–4:12 pm
219 Probability Maps of Glioblastoma Indicate Variation in Surgical Decisions between 10 Surgical Teams
Domenique Mueller, Pierre Alain Robe, Wimar van den Brink, Hilko Ardon, Bas Idema, Alfred Kloet, Frederik Barkhof, William P. Vandertop, Lorenzo Bello, Georg Widhalm, Emmanuel Mandonnet, Mitchel S. Berger, Philip C. De Witt Hamer

7:00–7:06 am
300 Usefulness of Intraoperative Visual Function Monitoring During Neurosurgical Procedures
Roser Garcia-Armengol, Alicia Martinez-Piñeiro, Belen Menendez, Kaoutar Mekkaoui, Cristina Hostalot, Jordi Manuel de Rimbau

7:06–7:12 am
301 Antitumor Efficacy of Anti-PDL-1 In ACTH-secreting Pituitary Adenomas: A Novel Immunotherapeutic Approach For Cushing’s Disease
Hanna Kemeny, Aladine A. Elsamadicy, S. Harrison Farber, Pakawat Chongsathidkiet, Cosette Dechant, Steven Shen, Ian F. Dunn, Peter E. Fecci

7:12–7:18 am
302 Corticosteroid Use and Its Relation to Post-Operative Edema in Magnetic Resonance Guided Laser Induced Thermal Therapy for Recurrent Metastatic Brain Tumors
Brain Morris, Arthur Carminucci, Shabbar F. Danish

7:18–7:24 am
303 Use of 5-Aminolevulinic Acid as an Immediate Intraoperative Indicator to Guide Malignant Primary Brain Tumors in Frameless Stereotactic Biopsies
Roser Garcia-Armengol, Ferran Brugada, Patricia Cuadras, Cristina Hostalot, Carlos Javier Dominguez Alonso, Jordi Manuel de Rimbau

7:24–7:30 am
304 Safety of Laser Ablation for Brain Tumors: Preliminary Results from the Laser Ablation of Abnormal Neurological Tissue Using Robotic NeuroBlade System (LAANTERN) Registry

7:30–7:36 am
305 Lymphopenia Predicts Response to Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Brain Metastases in Lung Cancer Patients
Yuping D. Li, Jason Lamano, Gurvinder Kaur, Jonathan B. Lamano, Dorina Veliceasa, Dauren Biyashev, Orin Bloch

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306 Postoperative Navigated Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation to Predict Motor Recovery After Surgery of Tumors Located in Motor Eloquent Areas
Kathleen Seidel, Levin Häni, Katharina Lutz, Chantal Zbinden, Annetta Redmann, Alberto Consuegra, Andreas Raabe, Philippe Schucht

7:42–7:48 am
307 Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Pediatric Intracranial Ependymomas: An International Multicenter Study
Hideyuki Kano, Yan-Hua Su, Hsu-Mei Wu, Gabriela Simonova, Roman Liscak, Or Cohen-Inbar, Jason P. Sheehan, Antonio Meola, Mayur Sharma, Gene H. Barnett, David Mathieu, Lucas T. Vasas, Anthony M. Kaufmann, Rachel C. Jacobs, L. Dade Lunsford

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308 Metabolic Isozyme Switching Offers a Targeted Treatment Strategy in Cushing’s Disease
Jacqueline Boyle, Konstantinos V. Floros, Jie Lu, Grégoire P. Chatain, Dragan Maric, Abhik R. Chaudhury, Prashant Chittiboina

7:54–8:00 am
309 Highly Sensitive Detection of the IDH1 R132H Mutation in the Plasma of Glioma Patients
Leonora Balaj, Bob S. Carter, Elena Castellanos-Rizaldos, Pier Paolo Peruzzi, Dalin Chan, Xuan Zhang, Johan Skog

7:00–7:06 am
310 Increased Rate of Subarachnoid Hemorrhage in Polycystic Kidney Disease Despite Screening

7:06–7:12 am
311 Radiation-Induced Changes After Stereotactic Radiosurgery for Brain Arteriovenous Malformations: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis
Adeel Ilyas, Ching-Jen Chen, Dale Ding, Thomas Buell, Daniel Raper, Cheng-Chia Lee, Zhiyuan Xu, Jason P. Sheehan

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312 Corticosteroid Use and Its Relation to Post-Operative Edema in Magnetic Resonance Guided Laser Induced Thermal Therapy for Recurrent Metastatic Brain Tumors
Brain Morris, Arthur Carminucci, Shabbar F. Danish

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313 Use of 5-Aminolevulinic Acid as an Immediate Intraoperative Indicator to Guide Malignant Primary Brain Tumors in Frameless Stereotactic Biopsies
Roser Garcia-Armengol, Ferran Brugada, Patricia Cuadras, Cristina Hostalot, Carlos Javier Dominguez Alonso, Jordi Manuel de Rimbau
312 Intraoperative Imaging of Cerebral Vasculature and Blood Flow Using Confocal Laser Endomicroscopy: New Perspectives in Precise Real-Time Brain Fluorescence Microimaging
Evgenii Belykh, Claudio Cavallo, Xiaochun Zhao, Michael T. Lawton, Peter Nakaji, Mark C. Preul
7:12–7:18 am

313 Anemia After Aneurysmal Subarachnoid Hemorrhage is Associated with Poor Outcome and Death
Oliver G.S. Ayling, George Ibrahim, Naif M. Alotaibi, Peter A. Gooderham, R. Loch Macdonald
7:24–7:30 am

314 S1P Signaling in Neuronal Apoptosis, Links to Resistance and Vulnerability to Ischemic Induced Neuronal Cell Death
Sherif Rashad, Kuniyasu Niizuma, Mika Sato-Maeda, Daisuke Saigusa, Teiji Tominaga
7:30–7:36 am

315 Comparative Effectiveness Analysis of Pipeline Embolization Device (PED) Versus Coiling in Unruptured Aneurysms Less Than 10-mm in Size
Xiao Wu, Branden J. Cord, Samuel A. C. Sommaruga, Charles C. Matouk, Ajay Malhotra
7:36–7:42 am

316 Screening for Intracranial Aneurysms in Patients with Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (ADPKD): A Cost Effectiveness Analysis
Xiao Wu, Charles C. Matouk, Ajay Malhotra
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317 Prevalence of Thoracic Aneurysms or Dilatations in Patients with the Intracranial Aneurysms
Dan Laukka, Emily Pan, Terhi Fordell, Kemal Alpay, Melissa Rahi, Jussi Hirvonen, Jaakko Rinne, Jarmo Gunn
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318 Detection of Ependymal Cilia in Cerebrospinal Fluid of Aneurysmal-Pattern Subarachnoid Hemorrhage
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**CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS 2018 ANNUAL MEETING OBJECTIVES**

The Congress of Neurological Surgeons exists to enhance health and improve lives worldwide through the advancement of education and scientific exchange in the field of neurosurgery. The CNS Continuing Medical Education (CME) program provides participants with various learning formats to keep current in their field as well as improve skills and enhance professional performance to provide the best possible care for their patients.

The CNS CME program is designed, planned, and implemented to evaluate a comprehensive collection of activities within the subspecialty of neurosurgery. The CNS plans to yield results that not only contribute to lifelong learning, but also demonstrate change and improvement in competence.

**AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE 2018 CNS ANNUAL MEETING PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:**

- Modify their current practice patterns to reflect changes in clinical research or guidelines presented.
- Recognize technical variations in surgical approaches discussed during interactive case sessions among peers.
- Introduce and/or perform new techniques based on best practices, current procedures, and emerging surgical technologies.
- Identify changes in the policy or economic environment of neurosurgical practice and the impact of these changes on patient care.
- Interpret emerging data from scientific abstract presentations as foundations for future neurosurgical research.
- Assess and track changes in practice quality and competence.

**EDUCATIONAL FORMAT DESCRIPTIONS**

The CNS offers sessions in a variety of formats to enhance your educational experience. Each session is open to all who have paid the general medical registration fee with the exception of optional Practical Courses, Luncheon Seminars, Dinner Seminars, and Symposia, which are available for an additional fee.

**PRACTICAL COURSES**

Didactic and hands-on courses with expert neurosurgical educators demonstrating clinical techniques and applications via technology, models, and simulation. Hands-on Practical Courses provide an opportunity to improve surgical skills by applying and demonstrating learned techniques. Practical Courses also provide an opportunity to review case-based complex issues and discuss potential solutions.

- Practical Courses are offered Saturday, October 6, and Sunday, October 7.

**GENERAL SCIENTIFIC SESSION, SECTION SESSIONS, GUIDELINE SESSIONS, LUNCHEON SEMINARS, AND DINNER SEMINARS**

Expert lecturers present research, scientific evidence and associated outcomes, and demonstrate clinical techniques and applications. The basics of translational development, clinical trials, guideline review, and updated changes and evaluation of clinical experience, followed by examples of successful application, are presented in various sessions. Basic skills and information that can be applied in daily practice and professional life are also presented.

- General Scientific Sessions, Section Sessions, and Guideline Sessions are offered Sunday, October 7, through Wednesday, October 10.
- Luncheon Seminars are offered Monday, October 8, through Wednesday, October 10.
- Dinner Seminars are offered on Saturday, October 6, Monday, October 8, and Tuesday, October 9.

**CASE-BASED EDUCATION**

During the Case-based Discussion Sessions, the faculty presents cases to be examined, discussed, and debated by both the audience and panel. Registered attendees will have the opportunity to submit their own cases prior to the meeting to be presented at these sessions. Don't miss these interactive sessions designed to encourage participation from everyone.

- Case-based Discussion Sessions will take place on Monday, October 8, and Tuesday, October 9.
- Live Surgery via telemedicine technology in the Exhibit Hall will take place Monday, October 8, through Wednesday, October 10. CME is not offered for these sessions.

**ORIGINAL SCIENCE PROGRAM**

Scientific abstract presentations offer original science, ground-breaking research, and the best clinical and basic neurosurgical science in the CNS Original Science Program, and allows for audience questions and moderated discussions.

- Oral Presentations by subspecialty and the CNS Poster Viewing will take place on Monday, October 8, and Tuesday, October 9.
- Sunrise Science and Late-breaking Abstract Sessions by subspecialty Oral Presentations will take place on Monday, October 8, Tuesday, October 9, and Wednesday, October 10.
- Late-breaking Abstracts will be presented on Tuesday, October 9, and Wednesday, October 10.

**ACCREDITATION**

The Congress of Neurological Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.
**CME CREDIT**
The CNS designates this live activity for a maximum of 46.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

* A maximum of 22.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ may be earned for general sessions only.

**ADDITIONAL CME CREDITS CAN BE EARNED BY ATTENDING THE FOLLOWING:**

**Practical Courses**
Attendees will receive a maximum of three-and-a-quarter (3.25) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for each Saturday half-day Practical Course, a maximum of seven (7) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for each eligible Saturday full-day Practical Course, a maximum of three-and-a-quarter (3.25) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for each eligible Sunday half-day Practical Course, and a maximum of seven (7) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for each eligible Sunday full-day Practical Course. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Luncheon Seminars**
Attendees will receive a maximum of one-and-a-half (1.5) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for all eligible Luncheon Seminars. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Dinner Seminars**
Attendees will receive a maximum of two (2) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for all eligible Dinner Seminars. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Posters**
Physicians may claim a maximum of five (5) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ directly from the AMA for preparing a poster presentation, which is also included in the published abstracts. Physicians may claim them on their AMA PRA certificate application or apply directly to the AMA for an AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ certificate.

Physicians may claim AMA PRA Category 2 Credits™ for viewing scientific posters. Physicians should self-claim credit on their AMA PRA certificate application form. Please visit the AMA web site for details at www.ama-assn.org.

**CLAIMING CME CREDIT**
CME credits can be claimed through the online CME system at www.cns.org. The CME tracking system allows you to create and print a CME certificate immediately following the CNS Annual Meeting while you are still in Houston, or from the convenience of your home or office. Upon completion of this process, your CME certificate will be sent to you via email at the email address you provided at registration.

**DISCLOSURES**
The Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education Standards for Commercial Support requires that anyone in a position to control the content of the educational activity has disclosed all financial relationships with any commercial interest. Failure or refusal to disclose or the inability to satisfactorily resolve the identified conflict may result in the withdrawal of the invitation to participate in any of the CNS educational activities. The ACCME defines a “commercial interest” as any entity producing, marketing, reselling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on, patients. It is also each speaker’s responsibility to include the FDA clearance status of any device or drug requiring FDA approval discussed or described in their presentation or to describe the lack of FDA clearance for any “off label” uses discussed. Speakers from the audience are also required, therefore, to indicate any relevant personal/professional relationships as they discuss a given topic.

Disclosures will be published in the Scientific Program Book that will be distributed at the Annual Meeting.

**FDA STATEMENT**
Some drugs or medical devices demonstrated at the Annual Meeting have not been cleared by the FDA or have been cleared by the FDA for specific purposes only. The FDA has stated that it is the responsibility of the physician to determine the FDA clearance status of each drug or medical devices he or she wishes to use in clinical practice. The CNS policy provides that “off label” uses of a drug or medical device may be described at the Annual Meeting so long as the “off label” use of the drug or medical device is also specifically disclosed. Any drug or medical device is “off label” if the described use is not set forth on the products approval label. It is also each speaker’s responsibility to include the FDA clearance status of any device or drug requiring FDA approval discussed or described in their presentation or to describe the lack of FDA clearance for any “off label” uses discussed. Speakers from the audience are also required, therefore, to indicate any relevant personal/professional relationships as they discuss a given topic.
AIRPORT
The CNS Annual Meeting hotels and the George R. Brown Convention Center are located approximately 10 miles from William P. Hobby (HOU) Airport and approximately 20 miles from George Bush Intercontinental (IAH) Airport. Taxis are readily available from each terminal curbside at both airports. Uber and Lyft are both also available in the Houston area.

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Wheelchairs, scooters, information booths, designated parking, TDD telephones, and other services are available for visitors with disabilities. For wheelchair or electric scooter rental, please contact either Scoot Around at 204-982-0657 or www.scootaround.com, or Wheelchair & Scooter Express at 713-942-2522 or www.wheelchairandscooterexpresslc.com. It is strongly suggested that you make your reservation in advance of your arrival.

Please let us know if, under the ADA, you require special accommodations or services in order to attend the 2018 CNS Annual Meeting. We want to ensure that no individual with a disability is excluded because of the absence of auxiliary aids and services. Your requirements should be sent directly to the CNS Annual Meeting Registration and Housing Center at: cns@mcievents.com or by calling 1-800-931-9543. Please provide any requests at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting to allow adequate time to accommodate your request.

ATTIRE
Professional attire is appropriate at the Annual Meeting and in the Exhibit Hall. Some Houston restaurants require coats and ties for gentlemen. Please check each restaurant’s policy when making reservations.

CNS CENTRAL
Conveniently located adjacent to the CNS Registration Area, visit CNS Central with your questions on CNS membership, education, or CME. CNS staff will be available to assist you navigate our website, review our new case based Nexus product or download any CNS apps on your mobile devices. From accessing your favorite learning tools to discovering new ones, the CNS staff is here to help you with your questions about programs, products, and services!

CNS XPERIENCE LOUNGE
Immerse yourself in the best of the CNS Annual Meeting in the CNS Xperience Lounge! Get up close and personal with this year’s awardees and special lecturers, connect with your colleagues and mentors, view digital posters, hear unique presentations, and get your hands on new technology featured throughout the meeting.

CHILDREN
Children over the age of 12 should register at the non-medical guest registration fee. (Please note that children under the age of 18 are not allowed in the Exhibit Hall.) Should you require babysitting services, please contact the concierge desk at your hotel. The CNS has no control over, and assumes no responsibility for, the care that is provided through hotels or these services. This information is provided solely to assist participants in identifying possible sources for childcare.

CLIMATE
October temperatures in Houston average a high of 82°F and a low of 59°F.

COURSE AGENDAS AND FACULTY
Agendas are occasionally subject to change. As we strive to improve the quality of your educational experience, the CNS may substitute faculty with comparable expertise when necessary.

DIGITAL POSTERS
Digital Posters are displayed electronically, Monday through Wednesday, in the CNS Xperience Lounge, located in the Exhibit Hall, and can be searched by author, topic, or keyword.

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The material presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting has been made available by the Congress of Neurological Surgeons for educational purposes only. The material is not intended to represent the only, nor necessarily the best, method or procedure appropriate for the medical situations discussed, but rather is intended to present an approach, view, statement, or opinion of the faculty which may be helpful to others who face similar situations. Neither the content (whether written or oral) of any course, seminar, or other presentation in the program, nor the use of a specific product in conjunction therewith, nor the exhibition of any materials by any parties coincident with the program, should be construed as indicating endorsement or approval of the views presented, the products used, or the materials exhibited by the CNS, or by its committees or affiliates. The CNS disclaims any and all liability for injury or other damages resulting to any individual attending the Annual Meeting, and for all claims which may arise out of the use of the techniques demonstrated therein by such individuals, whether these claims shall be asserted by physicians or any other person. No reproductions of any kind, including audiotapes and videotape, may be made of the presentations at the CNS Annual Meeting. The CNS reserves all of its rights to such material, and commercial reproduction is specifically prohibited.
**EXHIBIT HALL**

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9:30 am–2:00 pm

Admittance to the Exhibit Hall is by CNS name badge only. Children under the age of 18 are not allowed in the Exhibit Hall.

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

2019: San Francisco, California  
October 19–23  
2020: Miami, Florida  
September 12–16  
2021: Austin, Texas  
October 16–20

**HOUSING INFORMATION**

See pages 79–81 for detailed information.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Items included in registration fee:

- Admission to General Scientific Sessions, Sunday—Wednesday
- Scientific Program, including Section Sessions and Oral Presentations, Case-based Sessions, Sunrise Science and Late-breaking Abstract Sessions, Guidelines Sessions, Posters, and Digital Posters
- Exhibit Hall Access, Monday—Wednesday
- Access to the CNS Xperience Lounge
- Industry Sponsored Lunch Symposia
- One ticket to the Opening Reception on Sunday, October 7
- Live Surgeries in the Exhibit Hall

**PRESS ROOM**

All media representatives and journalists attending the Annual Meeting are required to register in advance. Registration, Press Room guidelines, and media credentialing policies are available online at cns.org/2018, or by calling 847-240-2500. Onsite, media are required to check in at the CNS registration area to pick up their press badges, and then proceed to the Press Room to pick up their press kits.

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**SMOKING**

The George R. Brown Convention Center and official CNS hotels are non-smoking facilities.

**SPEAKER READY ROOM**

All speakers and abstract presenters should visit the Speaker Ready Room in room 340A/B at the George R. Brown Convention Center no less than two hours prior to their presentations.

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**SPOUSE HOSPITALITY SUITE**

All registered CNS Annual Meeting spouses and guests are invited to visit the CNS Spouse Hospitality Suite at the Marriott Marquis Houston, Monday through Wednesday, from 8:00–10:30 am for continental breakfast. Please note that admittance to the Spouse Hospitality Suite is by spouse/guest badge only. A representative from the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau will be available at the CNS Spouse Hospitality Suite on Monday, October 8, to offer lunch/dinner recommendations and activity/tour options to spouses and guests.

**VISA INFORMATION**

The State Department of the United States encourages international participants to apply for their visas as early as possible—at least three months before the meeting. Some consulates may have backlogs in scheduling visa interviews, so applicants should first contact the consulate to find out how long the wait is for an interview. For information on the visa process, including wait times, please visit https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html.

**WI-FI SERVICE**

For your convenience, complimentary Wi-Fi service is provided throughout the George R. Brown Convention Center and the Marriott Marquis Houston wherever CNS events are being held.
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Methods
For your convenience, you can register and reserve your hotel room via these four methods:

ONLINE
cns.org/2018

PHONE*
800-931-9543 US & Canada
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8:00 am–6:30 pm CST

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CNS Annual Meeting
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Plano, TX 75093

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US dollars and drawn on a US bank
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Materials Pick-Up
All materials should be picked up on-site at the George R. Brown Convention Center.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 6
Advance registration discount and housing deadline

SEPTEMBER 13
Last day to cancel registration in order to receive a full refund, less a $100 processing fee

SEPTEMBER 25
Last day to make any hotel changes or cancellations through the CNS Housing provider:
Email: cns@mcievents.com
Phone: 800-931-9543
International: 972-349-5539

SEPTEMBER 26
Any hotel changes or cancellations must be made directly with the hotel after September 25. Individual hotel cancellation policies can be found on your original housing confirmation.

REGISTRATION CHANGE/CANCELLATION INFORMATION

Full registration refunds, less a $100 processing fee, will be granted if written requests for cancellation are received by 5:00 pm CST on September 13, 2018. Course, seminar, and event tickets will be refunded in full until September 13, 2018. No refunds of any kind will be given after this date, regardless of cause. Refunds will not be given for no-shows. Any changes to existing badges after the published cut-off date of September 13, 2018, are assessed a $50 processing fee.

CANCELLATION REQUESTS ACCEPTED VIA:
E-mail: cns@mcievents.com
Fax: 972.349.7715
Mail: CNS Annual Meeting
CNS Registration and Housing Center
6100 West Plano Parkway
Suite 3500
Plano, TX 75093

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Hotel Reservation Information and Deadlines
Hotel reservations are only available to registered CNS attendees. See pages 79-81 for housing details. Rooms are subject to availability. Reserve your room by September 6, 2018.

Deposit
A deposit of one night’s room and tax is due at the time your hotel reservation is made. This payment must be submitted with your registration fee and will be charged to the credit card provided. Please make checks payable to: CNS Registration and Housing Center at 6100 W. Plano Parkway, Suite 3500, Plano, TX 75093. All rooms are subject to applicable state and local taxes. A small portion of your room rate will be used to help defray the cost of registration and housing services. Hotel reservations requested without deposit will not be processed.

Hotel Change/Cancellation Policy
The deadline for new reservations is September 25 based on availability. The hotel requires a deposit of one night’s room and tax to reserve your room. Please make any changes or cancellations through the CNS housing bureau, Wyndham Jade, through September 25. Beginning September 26, changes and cancellations must be made directly with your reserved hotel. Please refer to your housing confirmation for your individual hotel’s cancellation policy.

Beginning September 26, 2018
› All changes, cancellations, or questions regarding your reservation must be made directly with the hotel.
› If cancellation notice is not received according to the hotel policy, the deposit will be forfeited. Your individual hotel’s cancellation policy can be found in your emailed confirmation.

Complimentary Housing for CNS Resident Member and International Vista Resident Member Attendees
Complimentary housing at the CNS Annual Meeting is available to a limited number of CNS Resident members and International Vista Resident members on a first-come, first-served basis.

To be considered for this program, CNS Resident members and International Vista Resident members must:
› Complete and submit the Resident member housing application by July 20, 2018. Completed applications may be submitted by email: meetings@cns.org, fax: 847-240-0804, or mail: Congress of Neurological Surgeons, 10 North Martingale Rd., Suite 190, Schaumburg, IL 60173.
› Register for the 2018 CNS Annual Meeting by July 20, 2018.
› All residents enrolled in ACGME approved programs have been automatically given complimentary CNS Resident membership.
› If you are not a CNS Resident member or International Vista Resident member, complete your application by May 31, 2018.

Residents who choose to reserve a room through the CNS Annual Meeting Registration and Housing Center and are later accepted into the CNS Resident Housing Program are responsible for cancelling their original reservation. For complete resident housing application guidelines, please visit cns.org/2018/residents.

Thank You for Your Continued Support of the CNS!
The CNS thanks you for your support in reserving your guest room through the official CNS Housing and Registration Center. The CNS, in negotiating contracts with convention centers and hotels, must commit to a minimum number of guest rooms. This commitment helps guarantee the availability of meeting space and helps control the cost of the meeting. A history of high utilization of our room block enables the CNS to negotiate better room rates for future meetings.

Hotel Room Rates
(All CNS hotels include complimentary guest room internet)

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* Tax rates subject to change.
** An additional State Cost-Recovery Fee of $2.25 will be charged per room per night. The fee will not be included in the one night room and tax deposit.
Marriott Marquis Houston—Headquarters Hotel
1777 Walker Street
Houston, TX 77010

Connected to George R. Brown Convention Center
Shuttle service only provided to and from dinner seminars and social events as applicable.

Amenities Include:
› 6 Restaurants Onsite
› Full Service Spa
› Valet Dry-Cleaning

Four Seasons Hotel Houston
1300 Lamar Street
Houston, TX 77010

5 blocks to George R. Brown Convention Center

Amenities Include:
› 2 Restaurants Onsite
› Full Service Spa
› Car Rental
› Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Services
› Activities for Kids

Embassy Suites by Hilton Houston Downtown
1515 Dallas Street
Houston, TX 77010

3 blocks to George R. Brown Convention Center

Amenities Include:
› Complimentary Cooked-to-Order Breakfast and Evening Cocktail Reception
› Pets allowed
› 1 Restaurant Onsite

Hampton Inn Houston Downtown and Homewood Suites by Hilton Houston Downtown
710 Crawford Street
Houston, TX 77002

4 blocks to George R. Brown Convention Center

Hampton Inn Houston Downtown Amenities Include:
› Complimentary Hot Breakfast

Homewood Suites by Hilton Amenities Include:
› Complimentary hot breakfast and Evening reception
› Suites with fully equipped kitchen
Walk to the convention center on your own schedule when you stay at one of these conveniently located hotels. All hotels offer:
Complimentary In-room Wi-Fi  
In-room coffee/tea  
Complimentary Fitness center  
Room service

**Hilton Americas–Houston**
1600 Lamar Street  
Houston, TX 77010  
Connected to George R. Brown Convention Center

**Amenities Include:**
- 3 Restaurants Onsite
- Full Service Spa

**Westin Houston Downtown**
1520 Texas Avenue  
Houston, Texas 77002  
5 blocks to George R. Brown Convention Center

**Amenities Include:**
- 1 Restaurant Onsite

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New technological advances in CNS tumor care are impacting the care of tumor patients in the operating room and beyond. At this two-day symposium, learn how immune-based therapies for CNS tumors, big data, and artificial intelligence are improving patient care.

- General Scientific Sessions
- Original Science Sessions
- Breakfast Symposia
- Industry-sponsored Luncheons
- Gala Reception and Dinner
- Sawaya Symposium
- Exhibit Hall and more!

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The Tumor Section Satellite Symposium immediately precedes the 2018 CNS Annual Meeting.

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