

**Modern Epilepsy Practice: Innovations in Diagnosis, Treatment, and Outcomes
Conference
In memory of Professor Edgar Housepian**

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

AGENDA

DAY 1: Clinical and Diagnostic Perspectives		
08.00 - 08.30	Registration	Speakers
08.30 - 08.45	Welcome	Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia
08.45 - 09.30	Classification and semiology of seizures Case-based discussion on different seizure types	Alexis Arzimanouglu, MD, Spain
09.30 - 10.15	Seizure semiology in children Video-presentation	Petia Dimova, MD, Bulgaria
10.15 - 11.00	Seizure semiology in adults Video-presentation	Imad Najm, MD, Cleveland, USA
11.00 - 11.20	Coffee break	
11.20 - 12.00	New genes in epilepsy	Alexis Arzimanouglu, MD, Spain
12.00 - 12.45	Epilepsy mimics Video-presentation	Maša Malenica, MD, PhD, Croatia
12.45 - 13.45	Lunch break and networking	
13.45 - 15.30	The role of EEG in diagnosis of epilepsy VEEG case demonstration	Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia
15.30 - 16.15	Seizure onset patterns and ictal EEG	Imad Najm, MD, Cleveland, USA
16.15 - 17.00	Coffee break	
17.00-17.15	MRI protocols and epilepsy lesion detection	Giorgi Kuchukhidze, MD, PhD, Austria
17.15 – 18.00	Functional imaging in epilepsy	Giorgi Kuchukhidze, MD, PhD, Austria
	Closing Remarks	Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia

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08.30 - 08.45	Registration	Speakers
08.45 – 09.30	Pharmacological advances in epilepsy	Maša Malenica, MD, PhD, Croatia
09.30 – 10.15	Precision medicine in epilepsy. From genes to therapies	Gia Melikishvili, MD, Georgia
10.15 – 11.00	Diagnostic challenges of posterior cortical lesions: lessons from our surgical experience	Sergey Ayvazyan, MD, PhD, Russia
11.00 – 11.20	Coffee break	
11.20 – 12.00	Presurgical evaluation Who are the best candidates for epilepsy surgery?	Petia Dimova, MD, PhD, Bulgaria
12.00 – 12.45	Stereo-EEG as a method for surgical decision- making in epilepsy surgery	Demitre Serletis, MD, PhD, FRCSC, FAANS Cleveland, USA
12.45 – 13.45	Lunch and networking	
13.45 – 15.30	Awake craniotomy	Rafi Avitsian, MD, FASA Cleveland, USA
15.30-15.45	Coffee break	
15.45 - 16.30	Outcomes of resective vs. ablative procedures	Krassimir Minkin, MD, PhD, Bulgaria
16.30 - 17.15	Neuromodulation. VNS, RNS, DBS - what's best option?	Kaloyan Gabrovski, MD, PhD, Bulgaria
17.15 – 18.00	Proper time of discontinuation of treatment after surgery	Sergey Ayvazyan, MD, PhD, Russia
	Closing Remarks	Biayna Sukhudyán, MD, PhD, Armenia