

5TH WFN-AFAN E-LEARNING DAY 2025

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

THEME : INFLAMMATORY DISEASES OF THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

TIME IN CENTRAL AFRICA
TIME (GMT +2)

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2025

10:00-10:10	OPENING REMARKS - INTRODUCTION Speakers : Wolfgang Grisold (Austria) WFN President, Lawrence Tucker (South Africa) AFAN President	
10:10-12:00	SESSION 1 : EPIDEMIOLOGY , PHYSIOPATHOLOGY , MS CRITERIA	
	Moderator 1 : Moustapha Ndiaye (Senegal)	Moderator 2 : Dilraj Sokhi (Kenya)
10:10-10:40	Epidemiology of Multiple Sclerosis in Africa	Speaker : Riadh Gouider (Tunisia)
10:40-11:10	The inflammatory process in Multiple Sclerosis / pathophysiology of Multiple Sclerosis	Speaker : Hans Lassmann (Austria)
11:10-11:40	New diagnostic criteria for Multiple Sclerosis	Speaker : Bassem Yamout (UAE)
11:40-12:00	Q&A	
12:00-12:15	BREAK	
12:15-14:10	SESSION 2 : CLINICAL ASPECTS AND INVESTIGATION (PARALLEL FRENCH SESSION)	
	Moderator 1 English: Fode Abass Cissé (Guinea) Moderator 2 English: Ange-Eric Kouame-Assouan (Ivory Coast)	Moderator 1 French: Youssoufa Maiga (Mali) Moderator 2 French: Agnon Balogou (Togo)
12:15-12:55	English: Clinical Isolated Syndrom French: Syndrome Cliniquement isolé	Speaker : Aksel Siva (Turkey) Speaker : Ndiaga Matar (Senegal)
12:55-13:25	English: Neuroimaging for Multiple Sclerosis: From Diagnosis to Disease Monitoring French: Neuroimagerie dans la sclérose en plaques : du diagnostic au suivi	Speaker : Tarek Yousry (UK) Speaker : Ayman Tourbah (France)
13:25-13:55	English: Prognostic Indicators and Disease Evolution in Multiple Sclerosis French: Indicateurs pronostiques et évolution au cours de la SEP	Speaker : Mashina Chomba (Zambia) Speaker : Bruno Stankoff (France)
13:55-14:10	Q&A	
14:10-14:40	LUNCH BREAK	
14:40-16:25	SESSION 3 : OTHER INFLAMMATORY DISEASES OF CNS	
	Moderator 1 : Ilham Slassi (Morocco)	Moderator 2 : Lenon Gwaunza (Zimbabwe)
14:40-15:10	Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorders	Speaker : Smail Daoudi (Algeria)
15:10-15:40	Approach and Classification of Optic neuritis	Speaker : Axel Petzold (UK)
15:40-16:10	Autoimmune Encephalitis: Early Recognition and Evidence-Based Management	Speaker : Josep Dalmau (Spain)
16:10-16:25	Q&A	
16:25-16:40	BREAK	
16:40 -18:30	SESSION 4 : TREATMENT OF MS	
	Moderator 1 : Deanna Saylor (USA/Zambia)	Moderator 2 : Julien Razafimahefa (Madagascar)
16:40-17:10	Treatment Strategies and Challenges in Africa	Speaker : Nevin Shalaby (Egypt)
17:10-17:40	Evolution of concepts of management of MS	Speaker : Xavier Montalban (Spain)
17:40 -18:10	Managing acute relapses in MS	Speaker : Dominic Giampaolo (South Africa)
18:10 - 18:30	Closing Remarks / Panel discussion Q&A	