

15th ILAE School on Pre-Surgical Evaluation for Epilepsy and Epilepsy Surgery (EPODES Advanced I)

19 - 23 January 2026

Hotel International - Brno - Czech Republic

Monday, January 19th

Afternoon: Introduction - indications, etiopathogenesis

- 16.30-17.00 Introduction to the course
- 17.00-17.30 General principles of epilepsy surgery
- 17.30-18.00 Surgically amenable epilepsies in adulthood
- 18.00-18.30 Specific aspects of pediatric epilepsy surgery
- 18.30-20.00 *Dinner*

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Tuesday, January 20th

Morning: Noninvasive Presurgical Evaluation

- 08.30-09.00 Scalp EEG Evaluation
- 09.00-09.30 Neuropsychological evaluation
- 09.30-10.00 Psychiatric evaluation
- 10.00-10.30 *Coffee break*
- 10.30-11.00 Evaluation of Structural imaging
- 11.00-11.30 Evaluation of Functional imaging
- 11.30-12.00 Postprocessing of EEG, intracranial EEG and imaging data
- 12.00-12.30 The Role of Genetic Testing in Pre-Surgical Evaluation
- 12.30-13.30 *Lunch*

Moderator: P. Kršek

S. Rampp
C. Helmstaedter
Ç. Özkara

P. Marusič
M. Brázdil
R. Janča
P. Kršek

Afternoon:

- 14.00-18.00 Group work and tutorials – see separate schedule
- 18.00-19.00 *Dinner*

Wednesday, January 21st

Morning: Focal epilepsies and seizure semiology

- 08.30-09.00 Surgically amenable epilepsies in children
- 09.00-09.30 Temporal lobe epilepsy
- 09.30-10.00 Frontal lobe epilepsy
- 10.00-10.30 *Coffee break*
- 10.30-11.00 Opercular & Insular epilepsy
- 11.00-11.30 Posterior epilepsies
- 11.30-12.00 Neuropathology
- 12.00-13.00 *Lunch*

Moderator: Ç. Özkara

S. Pujar
C. Baumgartner
P. Marusič

L. Tassi
M. Brázdil
A. Mühlebner

Afternoon:

- 13.30-18.30 Group work and tutorials – see separate schedule
- 18.30-19.30 *Dinner*

Thursday, January 22nd

Morning: Neurosurgical aspects

08.30-09.00	Indications for invasive evaluation & principles of cortical stimulation
09.00-09.15	Technical aspects of intracranial implantation, SEEG vs. grids
09.15-10.15	Epilepsy surgical menu: resection, palliative, neuromodulation (DBS, RNS, VNS)
10.15-10.45	Coffee break
10.45-11.00	Overview of new epilepsy surgical techniques
11.00-11.40	Hemispheric Surgery, Callosotomy and Hypothalamic Hamartoma
11.40-12.00	Expected deficits and true complications
12.00-12.30	Prevention of postoperative deficits
12.30-13.30	Lunch

Afternoon:

14.00-15.30	Group work and tutorials – see separate schedule
15.30-18.00	City walk - Discover Brno
19.00-22.00	Certification ceremony & Dinner

Moderator: B. Rydenhag

L. Tassi
B. Rydenhag and A. Cukiert
A. Cukiert and B. Rydenhag
B. Rydenhag and A. Cukiert
B. Rydenhag and A. Cukiert
P. Kršek

TA-archiv wine cellar

Friday, January 23rd

Morning: Patient related outcomes

08.30-09.00	When to stop the presurgical evaluation and decide Neuromodulation
09.00-09.30	VNS & other neuromodulation techniques
09.30-10.00	Outcomes of surgery in adults
10.00-10.30	Outcomes of surgery in children
10.30-11.00	Coffee break
11.00-11.30	Cognitive outcomes & Rehabilitation programs
11.30-12.00	How to start / organize epilepsy surgery?

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C. Helmstaedter

Experiences from different countries: Fatma Kolsi and Wafa Bouchaala (Sfax, Tunisia), Eva Feketeova (Slovakia)

12.00-13.00 Lunch

Group work: all participants will be asked to bring at least one open case suitable for the topics covered in the course

Faculty

Christoph Baumgartner (Austria), Milan Brázdil (Czech Republic), Arthur Cukiert (Brazil), Cristine Cukiert (Brazil), Cristoph Helmstaedter (Germany), Radek Janča (Czech Republic), Pavel Kršek (Czech Republic), Petr Marusič (Czech Republic), Angelika Mühlebner (Germany), Çiğdem Özkara (Turkey), Suresh Pujar (UK), Stefan Rampp (Germany), Bertil Rydenhag (Sweden), Laura Tassi (Italy)

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