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# UEMS/ EBN BOARD SINAVI TÜRKİYE KATILIMI



Union of European Medical Specialist/ Neurology tarafından ilki geçen yıl yapılan EBN (Avrupa Nöroloji Board Sınavı) na bu yıl Avrupa Birliği Üyesi ülkeler dışında, Türk Nöroloji Derneğinin Avrupa Nöroloji Board sınavı sürecindeki katkıları dikkate alınarak yalnızca Türkiye'den adayların girmesine olanak tanındı. Bu sınava girecek Türk Nöroloji Board Sınavında derece alan adayları destekleme kararı almış olan Türk Nöroloji Derneği Yönetim Kurulu, adayların sınav giderleri ve kongre sponsorluklarını üstlenme kararı aldı.

EFNS Kongresi sırasında 24 Eylül 2010 da Cenevre'de yapılan bu sınava girmek için Avrupa ülkeleri ve Türkiye'den toplam 39 başvuru yapıdı. Nöroloji eğitim müfredatı ve eğitim süre ve merkez kriterleri uygun bulunan 23 adayın sınava girmesi kabul edildi. Türkiye'den Türk Nöroloji Derneği aracılığı ile başvuran 8 adayın tümü sınava uygun bulundu. Teknik ekip olarak, Türk Nöroloji Board sınavının da teknik desteğini sağlayan Ege Üniveristesi Tıp Eğitimi AD' ından Ayhan Çalışkan ve Avrupa Board Sınav Komitesi üyeleri gözetiminde üç aşamalı yapılan sınavın ilk aşaması 120 çoktan seçmeli sorudan oluşan yazılı sınavdı. Bu sınavda 8 adayımızdan altısı başarılı oldu. Diğer ülkelerden başarılı olan 6 adayla birlikte sınavın ikinci aşaması olan sözlü sınav ve üçüncü aşama prezentasyonda başarılı olan adaylarımız, sınav jürisini bilgi ve sunum yetenekleri ile oldukça etkilediler. Sınav sonunda yapılan bir törenle sertifikalarını alan adaylarımız ülkemiz nörolojisi için gurur verici bir başarıya imza attılar.

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# HABER



# LANCENT NEUROLOGY Dergisi Profil Bölümünde **Prof. Dr. Murat EMRE**'ye yer verdi.



# **Profile**

# Murat Emre: bringing it all back home



The young Murat Emre had a plan: to learn everything he could about the brain, to apply that knowledge clinically for the good of mankind, and to serve his country. Emre is founder and chair of the Behavioural Neurology and Movement Disorders Unit at Istanbul University, Turkey, and an internationally renowned leader in his field. It is safe to say his plan was a success.

So how was the plan formed? Emre grew up in the largely agricultural town of Eregli, in central Turkey, the son of a self-employed businessman. However, his father's interest stretched far beyond business. He loved literature, poetry, and especially the movies, says Emre: "He built two movie theatres in our small town...One of the theatres was open-air and our house was next to it, so I would sit on the balcony and watch the movies." His father also had a strong passion for medicine: "He wanted to study medicine, but didn't have the chance." When Emre was just 12 years old, his father died—too young, says Emre, for his father's passion to influence his own career choice. That said, two of Emre's older brothers are also doctors, and the other is an engineer. Wherever the scientific influence came from in Emre's family, it was strong.

The decision to study medicine was never in question; nor was the decision to focus on the brain. "I was fascinated with the brain", says Emre. So much so that at the age of 15 Emre began some experiments. He formed the hypothesis that memories were dependent on the fact that brain cells do not divide. With the help of a university professor, Emre attempted to induce rats' brain cells to divide with a carcinogen, to see if the rats would forget a learned route through a maze. "Rather naive in retrospect", says Emre, but still not your average high-school student experiment.

But then Emre was not an average student. He graduated from Istanbul University Medical School at the top of his class, and was offered residency positions in every department. He decided instead, however, to do his military service, which is obligatory in Turkey. "You can postpone it until a certain age", he explains, "but I wanted to get it out of the way." Always thinking of the bigger plan, Emre spent his free time in the military applying to research institutes, and was offered a scholarship at Zurich University, Switzerland.

Emre joined the neurophysiology department with the idea that he wanted to learn the fundamentals of neuron biology. However, after a year studying the synapses of Mauthner neurons in the tench, he realised he was suited to a broader perspective. He moved fields to train in clinical neurology, later becoming involved in clinical research and drug discovery.

"New molecules were being discovered, [such as] dopamine agonists, and we were testing them", says Emre. "Also in those years...the prospect of a first medication for Alzheimer's became available. They were exciting times." Emre's interest in Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease was piqued, and he decided, somewhat ambitiously, to focus on both.

To get the best training, Emre went to the best people: first to David Marsden—"the best in movement disorders"—at the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, Queen's Square, London, UK, and then to Marsel Mesulam—"the best person in the field of dementia"—when he was at Harvard University, Boston, MA, USA. Both placements were "very conscious decisions", says Emre, true to form.

Having picked the prize fruits of global research and academia, it was time for Emre to return to Istanbul. "I decided to come back for two reasons: the first was egoistic, the second was idealistic", says Emre. "Egoistic, in that I always felt I would be more comfortable at home. Idealistic in that I thought, well I've tried to do something for the world; now I can try and do something for my country."

Setting up the Behavioural Neurology and Movement Disorders Unit at Istanbul University is one of Emre's proudest achievements. "The same academic achievements in Switzerland, or the UK or USA would also be valuable", says Emre, "but doing it from here is more valuable, with the less developed infrastructure, with all the difficulties we have to struggle with."

He has every right to be proud. From his department, Emre has led research that contributed substantially to the notion that Parkinson's disease dementia is a separate condition (it had been thought that the dementia might be concurrent Alzheimer's disease). He also led the first drug trial for the specific treatment of Parkinson's disease dementia. The results of a trial with a second drug, memantine, are published in this issue.

Emre's career plan has clearly been a resounding success, but has he ever wavered in his commitment? "I sometimes have bad days, especially when I see a few patients one after the other who are in bad shape who I can't help much", he says. But, he adds, these bad days and difficult patients are his motivating force for continuing with research: "I always had two main motivations in medicine: one is to understand how things work, the second is to help. The beauty of medicine is that you can combine both."

Ruth Williams

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#### 4. Yeterlik Kursu 1-5 Eylül 2010

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Nörolojinin başlıca konuları 33 konuşmacı tarafından gözden geçirildi.



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# DÜNYA NÖROMÜSKÜLER HASTALIKLAR KONGRESİ

Dört vılda bir vapılan ve onbirincisi 2006'da ülkemizde vapılmıs olan Uluslararası Nöromüsküler Hastalıklar Kongresi (XII. International Congress on Neuromuscular Diseases - ICNMD) 17-22 Temmuz 2010'da Napoli-İtalya'da yapıldı. Kongre sırasında 2. gün süre ile, bir hasta birliği olan Dünya Nöromüs-küler Hastalıklar Dernekleri Birliği (World Alliance of Neuromuscular Diseases Associations – WANDA) toplantısı da paralel olarak yapıldı.

Kongre 20 ana konferans, 28 sempozyum, 10 interaktif uzmanla tartısma toplantısından oluşuyordu. Toplantı konuları motor nöron hastalıkları, periferik sinir hastalıkları, nöromüsküler kavşak hastalıkları ve kas hastalıklarını içermekle birlikte genel ve geleneksel olarak kas hastalıkları lehine bir denge göstermekteydi. Kongre öncesi bir tam gün nöromüsküler hastalıklar kursuna ayrılmıştı.

Toplantıdaki çalışmaların çoğu halen nöromüsküler hastalıkların tanı ve izlemine aitti. Glikogenin-1 eksikliği gibi yeni hastalıkların tanımlanmış olması, yeni bulunan hastalık genleri, disferlinopatide mezangioblast calısmaları, Duchenne müsküler distrofide yeni başlayacak olan ekzon 51 ekzon-atlama ve yeniden başlayacak olan PTC-124 tedavisinden beklenenler öne çıkan konulardı. Miyopatilerde genotip-fenotip korelasyonları, myasthenia gravis, konjenital myastenik sendrom alt tipleri, spinal müsküler atrofi, amiyotrofik lateral skleroz ve periferik nöropatilerin tanı ve tedavisine değişik yönlerden yaklaşımlar, değişik hayvan modelleri de tartışılan konular arasındavdı.

Kongrenin iki gününü alan WANDA toplantısında değişik ülkelerin Kas Hastalıkları Derneklerinden temsilciler ülkelerindeki hasta örgütlenmeleri konusunda bildiriler sundular, yeni gelişmeler konusunda uzmanları dinleyip onlarla tartıştılar ve aralarında işbirliği geliştirmeye çalıştılar.

Yaklasık 1000 katılımcının kayıtlı olduğu kongrede ülkemiz, İstanbul Üniversitesinden bir sempozyum konusması, İstanbul, Hacettepe, Ege, Cukurova ve Selcuk Üniversitelerinden toplam 8 bildiri ile toplantıya katkıda bulundu. Yurt dışında çalışmalarını sürdüren iki Türk çalışmacı ve Türkiye Kas Hastalıkları Derneği'nden bir temsilci de katılımcılar arasındaydı.

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