

# Exploring the fetal brain: imaging, prognosis and counselling



**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2024**  
**Livestream program**  
*Part of a Blended learning program*

## Learning Objectives:

- Gain expertise in basic and advance assessment of fetal brain
- Improve your knowledge of central nervous system anomalies
- Become familiar with the imaging techniques of fetal brain assessment (ultrasound and MRI)
- Engage with an international panel of experts on topics such as peculiar posterior fossa, cortical anomalies, infections
- View complex clinical cases in fetal neurology
- Hear more about how to counsel women with fetal brain anomalies
- Discover new approaches to identify foetuses at risk of adverse neurodevelopmental outcome
- Learn how to identify subtle central nervous system anomalies



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Time BST	Mins	SESSION 1: FIRST TRIMESTER	Speaker – Prefix, full name, COUNTRY
08:00	10	Welcome and introduction	Francesco D'antonio (Italy)
08:10	20	Screening and diagnostic fetal neurosonogram: ISUOG Guidelines	Asma Khalil (UK)
08:30	20	How to perform a first trimester neurosonography	Simon Meagher (Australia)
08:50	20	Screening and diagnosis of Spina bifida 11-14 weeks	Simon Meagher (Australia)
09:10	20	3D Evaluation of the fetal CNS	Rabih Chaoui (Germany)
09:30	30	Panel discussion – Live Q&A	All faculty
10:00	20	<b>Refreshment Break</b>	
		<b>SESSION 2: SESOND TRIMESTER: COMMON CNS ANOMALIES</b>	
10:20	20	From mild ventriculomegaly to obstructive hydrocephalus	Ramamurthy (India)
10:40	20	Agenesis of the corpus callosum	Simon Meagher (Australia)
11:00	20	Counseling dilemmas in congenital and acquired anomalies of the corpus callosum	Francesco D'antonio (Italy)
11:20	20	Making sense of the short, thick, thin and dysplastic corpus callosum	Karina Haratz (Isreal)
11:40	20	Anomalies of the posterior cranial fossa made easy	Dario Paladini (Italy)
12:00	30	Panel discussion – Live Q&A	All faculty
12:30	30	<b>Lunch</b>	
		<b>SESSION 3: THIRD TRIMESTER: CNS Anomalies</b>	
13:00	20	Anomalies of cortical migration	Ritsuko Pooh (Japan)
13:20	20	Prenatal fetal intra-cerebral haemorrhage: Classification, diagnosis and management	Simon Meagher (Australia)
13:40	20	Destructive brain lesions	Asma Khalil (UK)
14:00	20	Screening and diagnosis of fetal brain infection	Asma Khalil (UK)
14:20	30	Panel discussion – Live Q&A	
14:50	10	<b>Refreshment Break</b>	
		<b>SESSION 4: MRI and Genetics</b>	
15:00	20	Genetic of fetal brain malformation: a changing landscape	Yuval Yaron
15:20	20	A guide on how to interpret fetal MRI	G Kasprian
15:40	30	Case studies: Panel discussion	All faculty
16:10	40	Final Q&A	All faculty
16:50	10	Feedback and close	Francesco D'antonio (Italy)

*Please note that this is a provisional schedule subject to change.*

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### **Topics covered in the online self-study learning through the ISUOG Academy**

- Posterior Fossa
- Blakes pouch Cyst: The good the bad and the Ugly
- The cerebellar Vermis: From partial to complete agenesis
- Mega cisterna Magna : an anatomical variant or a finding of concern
  
- 3rd Trimester / Rare
- Imaging Fetal ganglionic eminences - the Normal and Abnormal
- Intra-cerebral Vascular Lesions
- Rare CNS Malformation
  
- Fetal Infection
- CMV infection: ultrasound diagnosis, therapy, prognosis
- Toxo infection: ultrasound diagnosis, therapy, prognosis
- Zika and others : ultrasound diagnosis, therapy, prognosis
  
- MRI
- Fetal MRI-Normal Fetal Brain Anatomy
- CNS Late diagnosis and When MRI adds Value
- Fetal brain MRI: how to interpret for fetal medicine specialist