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# PROGRAM



## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

11:30 - 12:00	Registration	
12:00 - 12:15	Opening Addresses	<b>Ahmed Abogamal, MD</b>
	<b>Moderators: Ghita Harifi, MD - Shamma Al Nokhatha, MD</b>	
12:15 - 12:30	Entering Test of Knowledge - Basic Level	<b>Ahmed Abogamal, MD</b>
12:30 - 13:00	Technical Characteristics and Setting of Ultrasound Equipment for Musculoskeletal Diseases	<b>Yousef Alammari, MD</b>
13:00 - 13:20	Basic Physics of MSUS	<b>Shamma Al Nokhatha, MD</b>
13:20 - 13:40	Artifacts and Misinterpretation in MSUS	<b>Ghita Harifi, MD</b>
13:40 - 14:00	Image Documentation; Reporting US Findings & Diagnosis	<b>Faisal Elbadawi, MD</b>
14:00 - 15:45	<b>Workshop</b> Supervised Practical Handling of the Ultrasound Machine Settings	

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

08:30 - 10:30	<b>Workshop</b> Supervised Practical Handling of the Normal MSUS Anatomy and Basic Pathological Findings	
10:30 - 11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
	<b>Moderators: Majeed Haider, MD - Giasna Giokits, MD</b>	
11:00 - 11:30	US Application in Management of Musculoskeletal Disorders	<b>Giasna Giokits, MD</b>
11:30 - 12:00	Basic Synovial US Lesions: Synovitis, Synovial Hypertrophy, Tenosynovitis & Bursitis; Definition, Detection, & Quantification	<b>Francesco Porta, MD</b>
12:00 - 12:30	Enthesitis and Enthesopathy	<b>Peter V. Balint, MD</b>
12:30 - 14:00	<b>Prayers and Lunch Break</b>	
14:00 - 16:00	<b>Workshop</b> US Semiology: Normal and Basic Pathological Findings	
	<b>Moderators: Basant Elnady, MD - Ahmed Abogamal, MD</b>	
16:00 - 16:30	Standardized Scanning of Shoulder Normal & Basic Pathological Findings	<b>Ahmed Abogamal, MD</b>

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16:30 - 17:00	Standardized Scanning of the Elbow: Normal & Basic Pathological Findings	<b>Basant Elnady, MD</b>
17:00 - 17:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
17:30 - 19:30	<b>Workshop</b> Supervised Scanning Technique of Shoulder; Supervised Scanning Technique of Elbow; Normal and Basic Pathological Findings	

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025

<b>Moderators: Nesreen Moustafa, MD - Annamaria Iagnocco, MD</b>		
09:00 - 09:30	Standardized Scanning of the Wrist and Hand: Normal and Basic Pathological Findings	<b>Emilio Filippucci, MD</b>
09:30 - 10:00	Sonographic Semiology; US and Correlative Anatomy and Histology: Articular Cartilage Lesions, Cortical Abnormalities; Basic Pathology of Tendons and Ligaments (Tendinosis, Calcifications, Tears)	<b>Annamaria Iagnocco, MD</b>
10:00 - 10:30	Basic Skills in Sonographic Guided Arthrocentesis	<b>Nesreen Moustafa, MD</b>
10:30 - 11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:00 - 13:00	<b>Workshop</b> Supervised Hands-on Scanning of Patients with Inflammatory and Degenerative Hand and Wrist	
13:00 - 14:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>Moderators: Ahmed Negm, MD - Nouran Abaza, MD</b>		
14:30 - 15:00	Standardized Scanning of the Hip: Normal & Basic Pathological Findings	<b>Ahmed Negm, MD</b>
15:00 - 15:30	Standardized Scanning of the Knee: Normal & Basic Pathological Findings	<b>Nouran Abaza, MD</b>
15:30 - 16:00	Standardized Scanning of the Ankle & Foot: Normal and Basic Pathological Findings	<b>Slavica Prodanovic, MD</b>
16:00 - 18:00	<b>Workshop</b> Supervised Hands-on Scanning of Patients with Inflammatory and Degenerative Knee, Ankle, Foot and Hip	
18:00 - 19:00	<b>Workshop (All faculty members)</b> Supervised US Scanning of Interventions on Phantoms	
19:00 - 19:15	<b>Exit Test and Closing Remarks</b>	

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