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Welcome Message from Congress Presidents



Dear Colleague,

We are delighted to welcome you to **"The Best of Critical Care Congress - Middle East"**, taking place on **15-16 November 2025 at Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre (ADNEC)**, Abu Dhabi, UAE. It is an honor to host this premier event, bringing together professionals in critical care medicine to advance our field through knowledge sharing, innovative ideas, and collaboration.

This Congress provides a unique platform to explore groundbreaking research, exchange creative and thought-provoking ideas, forge meaningful connections, and gain fresh perspectives from a diverse, multidisciplinary critical care community. The plenary sessions will feature presentations by renowned authorities across various disciplines, covering a broad spectrum of clinical and research topics.

We have meticulously designed a two-day program featuring nationally and internationally acclaimed faculty and sessions that focus on the latest evidence-based advancements in critical care medicine. This event promises not only invaluable educational insights but also outstanding networking opportunities and innovative learning experiences.

Key Highlights of the Congress:

- Engage in cutting-edge educational sessions, hands-on workshops, and interactive debates.
- Collaborate with multidisciplinary teams to tackle complex challenges, break down barriers, and elevate standards of care.
- Learn and exchange best practices with experts from around the world.

We firmly believe that the well-being of patients and healthcare professionals is the driving force behind the future of critical care. This Congress is designed to provide unique learning opportunities that will expand your knowledge, offer fresh perspectives, and inspire you to enhance the care you deliver to your patients.

The Congress promises the highest quality scientific and educational content, along with unparalleled networking opportunities, allowing you to strengthen existing connections and establish new ones, both nationally and internationally. We are confident that this magnificent gathering will provide an exceptional opportunity to discover the latest advancements, innovations, and insights in the field of Critical Care Medicine. Your active participation will play a pivotal role in shaping the future of critical care and inspiring progress across the region and beyond.

While attending the Congress, we also invite you to immerse yourself in the vibrant culture of Abu Dhabi, explore its diverse heritage, and connect with peers and collaborators from around the world. Together, we can elevate critical care practices and inspire breakthroughs that will transform the lives of our patients.

Your presence and engagement are vital to the success of this event, and we hope it will spark meaningful collaborations, groundbreaking discoveries, and lasting contributions to the field of critical care.

Thank you for joining us, and we wish you an inspiring, productive, and memorable conference experience.

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Learning Objectives

- Discuss advances, cutting-edge information, innovative technologies, and strategies in critical care medicine.
- Explore breakthroughs in research and stimulating ideas in critical care medicine.
- Identify new evolving challenges and controversies in the critical care setting.
- Discuss critical care topics and network with peers on various professional, career, and leadership subjects.
- Highlight the role of the critical care team at the frontline beating the COVID19-pandemic.
- Apply knowledge of new topics and guidance in critical care medicine to daily practice.
- Improve patient care and outcomes during the most crucial time

Target Audience

- Critical Care Physicians
- PICU Physicians
- Anaesthesiologists
- Internal Medicine
- Surgeons
- Emergency Medicine Physicians
- Cardiologists
- Gastroenterologists
- Hepatologists
- Nephrologists
- Hematology/Oncology physicians
- Paediatricians
- Pain Physicians
- Family Medicine physicians
- General practitioners
- Pharmacists
- Respiratory Therapists
- Residents and fellows
- Specialist nurses and therapists
- Healthcare providers
- Any Medical professional interested in Critical Care

5 Great Reasons to Attend the The Best Critical Care Congress - Middle East

ACCESS the best-in-class program in Critical Care delivered by experts in the field.

LEARN new frameworks and skills that can be implemented in your practice.

EXPERIENCE incredible networking opportunities.

ASK questions, challenge thinking.

JOIN a community of change makers working to build a better world

Key Features

- State of the art lectures
- Keynote presentations by renowned speakers
- Poster presentations
- World class exhibits
- Interactive sessions
- Case discussions
- Hands-on workshops
- Platform for global networking connecting scientific community

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General Information

Venue

ADNEC Centre Abu Dhabi, part of ADNEC Group, is a multi-award winning venue offering organisers of exhibitions, conferences, and events outstanding facilities spread over a total space of 153,678 square metres. This includes versatile spaces suitable for medium to large scale conferences of up to 6,000 people, 13 exhibition halls, a stunning banqueting facility, in addition to 'The Hive', an award-winning innovative meeting space and engaging environment, as well as outdoor space which includes a grandstand and an impressive Marina, featuring the 10,000sqm Marina Hall..

Name Tags

Participants are required to wear their name tags throughout the meeting in order to be admitted to the lecture halls and other scheduled activities.

Refreshment and Lunch

Refreshment and lunch will be offered in accordance with the breaks indicated on the timetable.

Mobile Phones and Photography

Participants are kindly requested to keep their mobile phones silent mode in the conference hall and refrain from taking photographs during sessions. Free internet will be available in the exhibition area during the conference.

Important Notes

- For all conference activities, participants are kindly requested to wear their badges at all times.
- The badge will grant access to the scientific sessions, exhibition area, and lunch.
- Please ensure to scan your badges during the designated scan-in sessions.
- Delegates are responsible in scanning their badges in order to accumulate the CME hours.

CME Accreditation

European Accreditation:

The Best of Critical Care Congress – Middle East has been granted **14.0 European CME** credits (ECMEC®s) by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®).

- DAY 1, Saturday 15/11/2025 is Accredited for **7.0 CME Hours**
- DAY 2, Sunday 16/11/2025 is Accredited for **7.0 CME Hours**

DOH Accreditation:

The Best of Critical Care Congress - Middle East is designated for a maximum of, or up to **14:25 of DOH CME**

- DAY 1, Saturday 15/11/2025 is Accredited for **7.25 CME Hours**
- DAY 2, Sunday 16/11/2025 is Accredited for **7.00 CME Hours**

- For DOH CME, Delegates are required to claim their certificate through the DOH TAMM application.
- The certificate can be claimed within 60 days from the conference start date, after this period certificates will no longer be available for claim
- Please ensure to scan in your name badge before every session in the session halls attended.
- CME points are accumulated based on attended hours.
- A notification containing the link and instructions on how to download the certificates will be sent to your registered email address.
- Please note that you are required to complete the online evaluation of the conference before you can access the link to download your CME certificates. It is your responsibility to download and retain a copy of the certificate for your records.
- Each medical specialist should claim only those credits that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

Scientific Agenda

Day 1
Saturday, 15 November 2025

08:00-08:55	Registration	
08:55-09:00	Welcome and Introduction	Master of Ceremony
PLENARY SESSION 1 - Setting the Stage Moderator: Dr. Jose L. Diaz-Gomez, UAE, Dr. Ahmed Mukhtar, Egypt, & Dr. Jose Pascual, USA		
09:00-09:25	Redefining Cardiovascular Critical Care	Dr. Jose L. Diaz-Gomez, UAE
09:25-09:50	Handoffs in the ICU: Processes to Improve Flow & Improve Patient Care	Dr. Jose Pascual, USA
09:50-10:15	How to Implement Best Sedation Practices	Dr. Sandra Kane-Gill, USA
10:15-10:45	Official Inauguration Ceremony	
10:45-11:00	Break Exhibition Visit & Networking	
SESSION 2 - Sepsis, Shock & Hemodynamics Moderator: Dr. Jose L. Diaz-Gomez, UAE, Dr. Ahmed Tarek, UAE, & Dr. Gloria Vega, UAE		
11:00-11:20	Albumin administration in the ICU, understanding the evidence	Dr. Yasser Sakr, UAE
11:20-11:40	Beta blockers in septic shock	Dr. Amr Aboulela, UAE
11:40-12:00	VExUS and Other Sonographic Tools to Aid in De-resuscitation	Dr. Michael Lanspa, USA
12:00-12:20	RV Failure in the ICU: Recognition & Advanced Management	Dr. Ahmed Taha, UAE
12:20-12:40	Adjuvant therapies in vasodilatory Shock: Expanding the Therapeutic Arsenal	Dr. Umair Ansari, UAE
12:40-13:00	PA Catheters - Are They Still Relevant? Pros & Cons	Dr. Tarig Omer, UAE
13:00-13:10	Panel Discussion	
13:10-14:30	Lunch Break	
SESSION 3 - Respiratory Failure & ARDS Moderator: Dr. Walid Ahmed, UAE, Dr. Fuat H. Saner, KSA, & Dr. Mohammed Nassef, UAE		
14:30-14:50	Practical Tips in syndromic blood PCR interpretation	Dr. Ahmed Mukhtar, Egypt
14:50-15:10	Bridging the Gap: Managing Hepatopulmonary Syndrome Before and After Liver Transplantation	Dr. Khalid Ismail, UAE
15:10-15:30	When Shock Mimics Sepsis: The Cirrhotic Patient in the ICU	Dr. med. Fuat H. Saner, KSA
15:30-15:45	Panel Discussion	
15:45-16:00	Break Exhibition Visit & Networking	
SESSION 4 - Kidneys, Fluids & Nutrition Moderator: Dr. Michael Connor, USA, Dr. Ahmed Mukhtar, Egypt, Dr. Galal Abdelnaby, UAE		
16:00-16:20	Fluid Responsiveness: Dynamic Indices & Their Pitfalls	Dr. Yasser Tolba, KSA
16:20-16:40	Obstetric hemorrhage & coagulopathy - viscoelastic, targeted resuscitation, reversal strategies.	Prof. Safaa Helal, Egypt
16:40-17:00	Neuro-ICU Multimodality Monitoring & Advanced Sedation Choices	Dr. Adel Alsisi, UAE
17:00-17:20	Applying dynamic parameters to predict hemodynamic response to volume expansion	Dr. Michael Lanspa, USA
17:20-17:40	CRRT Timing: Early vs Late – The Ongoing Debate	Dr. Michael Connor, USA
17:40-18:00	Panel Discussion	
18:00	End of Day 1	

Scientific Agenda

Day 2
Sunday, 16 November 2025

08:00-08:55	Registration	
08:55-09:00	Welcome and Introduction	Master of Ceremony
PLENARY SESSION 5 Moderator: Dr. Amr Aboulela, UAE, Dr. Tarig Omer, UAE, Dr. Jose Pascual, USA		
09:00-09:25	Supercharge Your Scientific Writing with AI	Dr. Sandra Kane-Gill, USA
09:25-09:50	Fluid Management in the Critically Ill: Changing Paradigms	Dr. Michael Connor, UAE
09:50-10:15	Update in Neurocritical Care 2025	Dr. Gloria Vega, UAE
10:15-10:30	Break Exhibition Visit & Networking	
SESSION 6 - Brain & Behavior in the ICU Moderator: Dr. Bassam Attallah, UAE, Dr. Fadi Hamed, UAE & Dr. Michael Lanspa, USA		
10:30-10:50	Delirium in the ICU: Prevention & Management in 2025	Dr. Mohamed Algasmi, UAE
10:50-11:10	Protein & Energy in the Critically Ill: Early TPN & Trophic Feeding	Dr. Sheereen Hassib, UAE
11:10-11:30	Balancing bleeding and thrombosis in critically ill patient	Dr. Bassam Attallah, UAE
11:30-11:50	Rapid Sequence Induction in Critically Ill Patients. What is the Best Clinical Approach?	Dr. Yasser Zaghloul, UAE
11:50-12:00	Panel Discussion	
12:00-12:30	Poster Evaluation	
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break	
SESSION 7 - Liver Failure, Coagulation & Blood Products Moderator: Dr. Fadi Hamid, UAE, Dr. Ihab Ahmed, UAE & Dr. Michael Connor, USA		
14:00-14:20	Recent Updates in ARDS: Trials to Bedside	Dr. Fadi Hamid, UAE
14:20-14:40	Mechanical Ventilation Troubleshooting: Avoiding Desynchrony	Dr. Jihad Mallat, UAE
14:40-15:00	CT Chest Differentials for Intensivists – Beyond Pneumonia	Dr. Isabel Mira, UAE
15:00-15:20	Death by 100 equations	Dr. Wasim El Nekidy, UAE
15:20-15:40	Nursing in Critical Care: Past, Present and Future The Lasting Impact of Covid-19	Ms. Nimeh Mahmoud, UAE
15:40-15:50	Panel Discussion	
15:50-16:00	Break Exhibition Visit & Networking	
SESSION 8 - ICU Quality & Bundles Moderator: Dr. Tamas Szakmany, UAE, Dr. Ahmed Eissa, UAE, USA, & Yasser Sakr, UAE		
16:00-16:20	Mechanical Power in ARDS: Impact and Optimization	Dr. Ahmed Eissa, UAE
16:20-16:40	Does the site of infection matter ?	Dr. Tamas Szakmany, UAE
16:40-17:00	Awake ECMO and Mobilization During ECMO	Dr. Ihab ahmed, UAE
17:00-17:45	Panel Discussion - Controversies & Future Directions in Critical Care All Faculty	
17:45-18:00	Key Takeaways & Closing Remarks	
18:00	End of Conference	

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Dr. José L. Díaz-Gómez, MD, MAS, NCC (UCNS), FASE, FCCM, is Institute Chief of the Integrated Hospital Care Institute at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi.

His immediate previous position was chief of cardiothoracic, mechanical circulatory support, and transplant critical care at The Texas Heart Institute at Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center in Houston, TX.

Dr. Díaz-Gómez is a cardiac anesthesiologist and critical care medicine specialist who has dedicated his career to contributing to the clinical practice, research, and education related mainly to the fields of perioperative and critical care ultrasonography. His initial investigations on critical care ultrasonography education highlighted the interdisciplinary application of this tool in critical care practice. He subsequently proposed alternative techniques in advanced critical care ultrasonography for specific patient populations, such as pulmonary hypertension and mechanical circulatory support. Lastly, he has shown increased safety by applying real-time ultrasonography for bedside procedures such as thoracentesis.

Dr. Díaz-Gómez was a former Associate Professor of Anesthesiology at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine in 2018. And he started the review process for academic rank promotion as Professor of Anesthesiology at Baylor College of Medicine. He received a master's in applied science at the Bloomberg School of Public Health at John Hopkins University in 2023. And he is pursuing an MBA program at the Weatherhead School of Management at Case Western Reserve University.

Dr. Díaz-Gómez's his medical degree from Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, Medellin, Colombia. He completed his residency and further cardiac anesthesia training at the Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH, and his fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA.

Dr. Díaz-Gómez's research contributions include over 75 peer-reviewed publications in critical care medicine and ultrasonography; an edited book in critical care ultrasonography; an edited critical care ultrasound booklet; a dozen non-peer reviewed publications and two dozen book chapters. He is the co-chair of the upcoming SCCM critical care ultrasonography guidelines and he has been re-elected as the Anesthesia designated seat within the SCCM Council. He is a member of the SCCM Biomarkers Leadership Task Force and leads the Cardiac Biomarkers group.

Dr. Díaz-Gómez holds the Fellowship in the American College of Critical Care Medicine (FCCM) and the Fellowship in the American Society of Echocardiography (FASE).

Dr. Díaz-Gómez resides in Abu Dhabi with his wife. In his spare time, he enjoys biking, traveling, and cheering for his children in high-level soccer and tennis tournaments as they are current student athletes in the USA.

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Dr. Pascual has served SCCM in many capacities since joining in 2000. In addition to his nine years on the Council, Dr. Pascual was cochair of SCCM's Congress Program Committee and Strategic Planning Management Committee and chaired the Graduate and Resident Education Committee, Lifetime Achievement Award Subcommittee, and Research Section Steering Committee. He served as secretary and chair of the Research Section and was part of the inaugural section executive committee. In 2015, he was recognized with SCCM's Presidential Citation Award. Dr. Pascual is also an editorial board member for Critical Care Medicine and serves as ad hoc reviewer for several other medical and surgical journals. He is a frequent author, lecturer, and mentor and has received numerous research funding grants and awards throughout his years in academic and clinical practice.



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She has been invited to present her work at numerous professional meetings and she has published over 250 articles and book chapters related to critical care and patient safety. Dr. Kane-Gill was recognized in the top 1% of scholars in the world writing about medication errors on World Patient Safety Day 2021. Her research focuses on effective approaches for the detection, prevention, and management of medication errors and adverse drug events with emphasis on drug associated acute kidney injury. She has successfully incorporated health information technology (clinical decision support, telemedicine) into practice to advance healthcare systems, leading to safer and higher-quality patient care. She also applies implementation science strategies to ensure adoption of medication safety practices.

Speakers' Biography



Yasser Sakr
MD, PhD
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Abu Dhabi, UAE

Prof. Dr Sakr is a Prof. of anesthesiology and consultant in the Dept. of Critical Care Medicine, Sheikh Zayed Military Hospital, Al Batayeh, Sharjah. He was graduated in the faculty of medicine, Cairo University in 1995. After completion of a 1 year of internship and 3 years as a resident in the department of critical care in Cairo University hospitals, he was qualified as a specialist in intensive care medicine and was appointed to the position of assistant lecturer in critical care medicine in the faculty of medicine, Cairo University and has obtained the "Master" degree in Intensive Care in 2000. Dr. Sakr has spent 2 years as a research fellow in the department of intensive care, Erasme Hospital (Free University of Brussels) from 2001 to 2003 and has obtained the PhD from the same university in 2007. Since 2003, he works in the Dept. of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care, Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, Germany, where he obtained a Doctorate in Medicine "Dr. med." in 2006, lecturer assignments in Anesthesiology "Privat Dozent" in 2010, obtained the German board in Anesthesiology "Facharzt" in 2008, qualification in the subspecialties intensive care medicine (2009) and emergency medicine (2009) from the medical syndicate of the state of Thuringia, and was appointed as a Prof. of Anesthesiology in 2018. He was the chair of the Systemic Inflammation and Sepsis Section (SIS) of the European Society of Intensive Care (ESICM) from 2015 to 2018. He serves as a section editor of the Journal of Critical Care (IF: 3.4). He is the author and coauthor of more than 200 original articles and book chapters



Amr Mohamed Abouelela
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Emirates Health Services (EHS),
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Dr. Amr Abouelela is graduated from Alexandria University, Egypt in 1996, then he started his career in critical care field in 1998 as ICU resident in Alexandria University hospitals. He had been promoted until he became a professor of critical care in Alexandria University in 2017.

He had also a long experience as ICU consultant in the gulf area, as he worked in military hospital in Saudi Arabia for more than 10 years. Currently, he is an ICU consultant in EHS, Al Qassimi hospital, Sharjah, UAE

On the academic level, He got his master degree and doctorate degree in critical care medicine from Alexandria University, Egypt in 2001 & 2006. He also got his MRCP degree in internal medicine from UK in 2007, then he was selected by the royal college of physicians of Edinburgh to be a fellow FRCPE.UK in 2013. He got his European diploma of intensive care (EDIC) from the European society of intensive care medicine (ESICM) in 2014

Dr. Amr has many researches and publications in regional and international journals and he is a guest speaker and has many presentations in international conferences. He is also an instructor in many international courses (ACLS, CRRT, RRT, ENLS, US, mechanical ventilation and hemodynamic courses)

Speakers' Biography



Michael Lanspa
MD, MS, FCCM, Director,
Critical Care Echocardiography
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Salt Lake City, UT USA

Michael Lanspa, MD, FCCM, FASE, is an associate professor and the director of the Intermountain Critical Care Echocardiography Service, in Salt Lake City, Utah. Dr. Lanspa teaches ultrasound nationally and internationally, both for professional societies and in humanitarian work in resource-limited countries. Dr. Lanspa directs the Intermountain Critical Care Echo Core Imaging Lab, which serves as a core imaging lab for multicenter studies in critical care. He has published original research emphasizing the application of echocardiography and other non-invasive methods to aid in management of sepsis and shock



Ahmed Taha
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Dr. Ahmed Taha MD, M.Sc., MRCP (UK), FRCP(London) (Edinburgh), FCCP, EDIC, FCCM

Dr. Taha is an Intensivist in the Cardiac ICU at the Institute of Critical Care Medicine; Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. Graduated from Ain Shams University and received a Master's Degree in Cardiology and second Masters Degree in Intensive Care Science from Ain Shams University. He was awarded a Diploma by the Royal Collage of Physician of the United Kingdom (MRCP UK) and was nominated fellowship of the American College Of Chest Physician (FCCP) in 2007. He also received the European Diploma of Intensive Care Medicine (EDIC) from Brussels, Belgium in 2008. He was awarded fellowship by the Royal Collage of Physician of Edinburgh and London (FRCP) in 2013. He is currently a distinguished educator, Course Director and Committee member at the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) for the Fundamental Critical Care Support Course (FCCS) and the Paediatric Fundamental Critical Care Support Course (PFCCS) and recently the (FCCS Obstetrics), currently a Fellow of the American collage of Critical care Medicine (FCCM). He is also a director of critical care Ultrasound Courses (SCCM), MCCRC - SCCM and BASIC collaboration Intensive Care Courses that conducted across multiple countries in the middle east and North Africa. Due to his outstanding contribution to the Society of Critical Care Medicine, He has received the Presidential Citation Award. Most recently, He also got the Global Safar Award, He conducted researches in critical care ultrasound, congenital heart diseases, surgical airway, mechanical ventilation, hemodynamic, ICU logistics and Simulation based medical education.

Selected as an ambassador for neurocritical care society and helped in stabilising Emergency neurology life support in multiple countries in middle east.

Dr. Taha served as an author in critical care chapters (Scientific American Critical Care, evidence-based web clinical resource UpToDate, Springer, Elsevier ,SCCM publications.) . He is also a member of numerous committees and international societies and chair in acute care working group, he shared as a chairman, speaker and faculty in multiple national and international meetings and conferences.

Speakers' Biography



Umair Ansari
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“Dr. Umair Ansari is a clinical pharmacy specialist in Critical Care at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. He is a Board Certified Critical Care Pharmacist and Pharmacotherapy Specialist. Dr. Ansari completed his undergraduate degree at the University of California - Irvine where he earned his Bachelor’s in International Studies and minor in Biological Sciences. Dr. Ansari attended graduate school at Harding University in Arkansas where he obtained both his Doctor of Pharmacy and Master of Business Administration degrees. He completed a Post Graduate Pharmacy Practice Residency at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Mississippi. Dr. Ansari has various international experiences including working within the National Guard Health Affairs Health System in Saudi Arabia and the Johns Hopkins Health System in the United States. He has also served as a pharmacy residency program coordinator and as an adjunct clinical assistant professor for numerous pharmacy schools including King Abdulaziz University, University of Maryland, and Duquesne University. He continues to serve as a pharmacy preceptor to both students and residents.



Tarig Omer
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Cardiothoracic and Neuro Intensivist,
Assistant Professor at Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine,
Cleveland, Ohio, USA, Critical Care Institute,
Chair, Critical Care Institute, Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dr. Tarig Omer, MD, is a Staff Cardiothoracic and Neuro Intensivist within the Critical Care Institute at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi.

Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Omer was a Staff Physician of Critical Care at Cleveland Clinic Main Campus in Cleveland, Ohio, US.

Dr. Omer received his medical degree from the University of JUBA, Sudan. He completed his residency at Wright State University, Ohio, US, and completed his Critical Care Medicine Fellowship at St. Louis University, Mercy Hospital St Louis, Missouri, US. He also completed his Neuro Critical Care Fellowship at Cleveland Clinic, Ohio, US.

Throughout his tenure, Dr. Omer has specialized in cardiothoracic, vascular, medical, surgical and neuro critical care, echocardiography, extra corporal membrane oxygenation, transplant critical care, ventricular assist devices, mechanical ventilation, interventional critical care, and academic education, completing over 7 years of clinical academic experience.

Currently, Dr. Omer resides in Abu Dhabi, with his wife and two children. When he’s not working at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Omer enjoys swimming, playing soccer, and practicing taekwondo

Speakers' Biography



Ahmed Mukhtar
MD, Professor, Surgical Intensive Care
Cairo University School of Medicine,
Egypt

Dr. Ahmed Mukhtar is also director of surgical intensive care at Cairo University Hospital. He received his MD degree in anesthesia and critical care from Cairo University. He is a board certified in Transesophageal echocardiography. He has a special interest in the perioperative management of liver transplantation and surgical intensive care. He has more than 80 published studies in leading anesthesia and intensive care journals. His publications include papers and abstracts concerning intraoperative and postoperative management of liver transplantation and in critically ill patients. He also participated in formulating the perioperative hemodynamic management, and intraoperative coagulation management during liver transplantation.



Khaled Ismail
MD, Critical Care Consultant,
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Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, UAE

I was qualified as a doctor in medicine in 1990, received the MD from KUL, Leuven University (Belgium). Then moved to Bristol UK where worked as a registrar at the Royal infirmary. I achieved my CCST in Anesthesiology and Intensive Care in July 1998. I started in August 1998 as a Consultant in Anesthesia and Intensive Care at the Mid Yorkshire Hospitals. I was appointed as the ICU director for 9 years. I'm also a fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetist (FRCA London) and a fellow of the Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine (FFICM London). I moved to Abu Dhabi in 2019, I worked as the chair of Anesthesia and intensive care at Al Ain, SEHA, I was appointed as the chair of SEHA Anesthesia council for two years. And currently working as a Consultant Critical Care at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi



Prof. Fuat H. Saner
MD, Consultant Critical Care
Director Adult Transplant ICU
Organ Transplant Center of Excellence
King Faisal Specialised Hospital &
Research Center, Riyadh, KSA

Prof. Dr. Fuat H. Saner previously held the position of Senior Lecturer in the Department of General, Visceral, and Transplant Surgery at the University Hospital Essen in Essen, Germany. Specializing in Critical Care, he has been recognized with the title of Professor. In January, he transitioned to a new role at the Organ Transplant Center of Excellence at the King Faisal Specialized Hospital & Research Center in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. His research primarily focuses on several critical areas in the context of End-stage Liver Disease (ESLD) both before and after transplantation. These include the management of coagulation, the timing of dialysis, infection control, and hemodynamic stabilization.

Speakers' Biography



Yasser Tolba

MBChB (Honours), DA, MSc, PhD, FRCA, FCAI, FCCP, FIPP, FFICM, EDIC, EDAIC, MBA
Associate Professor and Consultant in Critical Care Medicine,
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Dr. Tolba, experienced Medical Consultant with a demonstrated long history of working in the hospital & health care industry. Skilled in Training, Teaching, Coaching, Critical Care Medicine, Anaesthesiology, Pain and Healthcare Management. A Senior MD healthcare professional with high profile degrees MSc, DA, PhD, FRCA, FCAI, FCCP, FFICM, FIPP, EDIC, EDIAC, MBA and strong clinical, academic, research and managerial profile.



Safaa Helal

MD, Professor, Anesthesiology
ICU and Pain Management;
Founder and General Manager of
Egyptian Society Of Anesthesiology
and Acute Care ESAAC, Egypt

Prof. Safaa Helal is a Professor of Anaesthesiology, ICU, and Pain Management at Menoufia University, Egypt. She is the Founder and General Manager of the Egyptian Society of Anaesthesiology and Acute Care (ESAAC) and serves as Head of the Scientific Committee for African Women in Anaesthesiology and Critical Care. Prof. Helal is an active member of the Women in Intensive Care Network (I-WIN), the European Airway Management Society (EAMS), and the European Society of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine (ESCIM). She also contributes as an Airway Management Instructor with EAMS, promoting education and excellence in anaesthesiology and critical care across the region.



Sheereen Hassib

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Sheereen Hassib, MSc. RD is a Registered Dietitian licensed to practice in Canada and the United Arab Emirates. She is a graduate of the Western University of Ontario in London, Canada where she completed her Bachelor and Master's of Science degrees in Nutrition and Dietetics. Sheereen currently works at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi (CCAD) specializing in critical care and transplantation. She is responsible for providing Medical Nutrition Therapy to patients in the Cardiac and Thoracic ICU where she actively works to optimize the nutrition status of patients for lung and heart transplantation and provides medical nutrition therapy to patients on ECMO. Sheereen's ability to provide nutritional care and education to patients contains working on a multitude of platforms including adults, pediatrics, and geriatrics. She is an active member of Dietitians of Canada, the College of Dietitians of Ontario, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, and the Department of Health Abu Dhabi.

Speakers' Biography



Michael J. Connor, Jr.
MD, Professor of Medicine –
Critical Care Medicine & Nephrology
Emory University School of Medicine,
USA

Dr. Connor completed residence in combined internal medicine & pediatrics at Brown University and, subsequently, trained in adult nephrology and critical care medicine at the Cleveland Clinic. He joined the faculty of the Emory University School of Medicine in September 2010 where he currently holds the rank of Professor of Medicine in critical care medicine & nephrology.

Dr. Connor's clinical & academic interests are focused on critical care medicine and especially acute kidney issues in the critically ill. Dr. Connor is an internationally recognized expert on acute kidney replacement therapies, acute kidney injury (AKI), antimicrobial dosing in AKI, volume management and hemodynamic support of the critically ill, intra-abdominal hypertension and abdominal compartment syndrome, acute acid/base derangements, cardiothoracic critical care, and extracorporeal blood purification techniques, including extra-corporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO).

In September of 2014, Dr. Connor spearheaded the first-in-the-world application of advanced critical care support to a patient with Ebola virus disease (EVD), which included the successful use of CRRT and mechanical ventilatory support in EVD.



Gloria Rodríguez-Vega
MD, FACP, FCCP, FNCS, MCCM
Director, Neurosurgical ICU
Hospital Menonita-Caguas, Puerto Rico

Gloria Rodríguez-Vega, MD, FACP, FCCP, FNCS, MCCM

Better known as Glori, she is a Puerto Rican born internal medicine, critical care, neurocritical care specialist. A Magna Cum Laude graduate from Cornell University, and later Cum Laude from Universidad Central del Caribe, School of Medicine, she finished her IM residency at the VA Caribbean Healthcare System and afterwards completed her CCM fellowship at TMH/Brown University. She returned to her beloved PR and is currently the Director of the Neuro-ICU at Hospital Menonita-Caguas. She is Assistant Professor at the University of Puerto Rico, School of Medicine, Ponce School of Medicine, and Universidad Central del Caribe, School of Medicine. She is currently involved in numerous national and international societies. She is council member of SCCM (Society of Critical Care Medicine), Immediate past-president of COCECATI (Consejo Centroamericano y del Caribe de Terapia Intensiva), former council member of FEPIMCTI (Federación Panamericana e Ibérica en Medicina Crítica y Terapia Intensiva) and past president of the Puerto Rico Society of Critical Care Medicine. She has been a speaker at the local, national and international level and has publications in peer-reviewed journals, authored book chapters and is co-editor of the books Critical Care Administration: a comprehensive clinical guide and COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons from the frontline. She lives happily with her incredible (most awesome skibidi) daughter, 2 opinionated dogs and understanding husband.

Speakers' Biography



Mohammed Aljasmi
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Medical Specialty Institute, UAE

Dr. Mohammed Aljasmi, MD, is a Staff Physician within the Critical Care Department of Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi's Medical Specialty Institute.

Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Aljasmi worked as Assistant Professor at the Marshall University School of Medicine in Huntington, West Virginia, US. He held the position of Staff Physician in the department of Pulmonary and Critical Care. He also held the title of Associate Program Director of the Pulmonary and Critical Care Fellowship Program where his main role was the recruitment and training of future physicians in the field of Pulmonary and Critical Care. During his time there he was inducted to the Alpha Omega Alpha national medical honor society.

Dr. Aljasmi received his medical degree from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland – Medical University of Bahrain. He then completed his residency and fellowship training at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, US, specializing in Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. He served as Chief Fellow during his final year of training.

Dr. Aljasmi resides in Abu Dhabi with his wife and children. In his spare time, he enjoys traveling and exploring new cultures with his family.



Adel Alsisi
MD PhD
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Consultant Intensivist
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Adel Alsisi is a Consultant Intensivist in Prime Hospital, Dubai. He is the Chief Medical Officer in Prime Healthcare Group. He has a PhD Degree in Critical Care Medicine from Cairo University in Egypt last 2011. Dr. Adel is an international instructor in AHA and ACS training courses. And also participated as an author in ICU textbooks.



Bassam Atallah
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Dr. Atallah is the Cardiovascular Senior Pharmacotherapy Specialist at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. He is a clinical associate professor at Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine. Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic he was on faculty as Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy at King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences (KSAU-HS) in Riyadh.

Dr. Atallah received his PharmD from Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy in Virginia and completed an ASHP accredited post graduate residency at Winchester Medical Center in Virginia. He was awarded the "Graduate of the Last Decade" award by his alma mater. Dr. Atallah is board certified in pharmacotherapy with added qualifications in Cardiology. He also holds an advanced antithrombotic management certificate from ASHP. Dr. Atallah is a fellow of the Heart Failure Society of America (HFSA) and the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP). He has several publications and presentations at national and international conferences. He was awarded the 2021 ACCP Cardiology PRN international award. His research interests are in various aspects of cardiovascular pharmacotherapy with focus on antithrombotic therapy, heart failure and hyperlipidemia.

Speakers' Biography



Yasser Zaghloul

MD, PhD, FCARCSI
Senior Consultant of Anesthesiology & ICU
Chairman of Abu Dhabi Annual
Anesthesia Congress
Sheikh Khalifa Medical, UAE

Dr. Yasser, have been involved in the anesthesia of the following surgical subspecialties, neonatal and pediatric surgery, neurosurgery, renal transplant, hepatic surgery, ENT, maxillofacial, vascular, ophthalmology, dental, orthopedics, urology, bariatric and general surgery and interventional radiology. The hospital contains many specialist centres like cardiac, diabetes and rehabilitation centres.

During his work in SKMC, he extended and ironed his experience especially in neuro and pediatric critical care medicine (including neonates and preterm babies). He has a wide experience in acute pain management and shared in implantation of the postoperative pain protocols for orthopedics, spinal and bariatric surgeries.



Fadi Hamed

MD, Staff Physician,
Surgical Critical Care Unit,
Critical Care Institute,
Cleveland Clinic, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dr. Fadi Hamed, MD, is the medical director of the Lung transplant program, and served as section Head in the Critical Care Institute at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi.

Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Hamed worked as Associate Staff in the Department of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Cleveland Clinic.

Dr. Hamed is a Diplomate in Critical Care Medicine, Pulmonary Disease, and Internal Medicine through the American Board of Internal Medicine.

He is also a member of several organizations including the Society of Critical Care Medicine, American College of Chest Physicians, and the American Thoracic Society. His specialty interests include advanced lung disease, lung transplant and medical intensive care.

Dr. Hamed earned his medical degree from the University of Jordan in Amman. He completed his internship and residency in Internal Medicine at Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia, US, where he also served as a Chief Medical Resident for one year on completion of his residency training. He completed his fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio, US.

Speakers' Biography



Isabel Mira
MD, Staff Physician,
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Integrated Hospital Care Institute
Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dr. Isabel Mira, MD, is a Staff Physician within the Pulmonary Medicine Department of Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi's Integrated Hospital Care Institute.

Dr. Mira is board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine.

Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Mira worked at the University of Texas in Houston, US, as an Associate Professor in Medicine in the departments of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine. During her time at the University of Texas, Dr. Mira worked alongside the Rheumatology Department taking care of multiple cases of pulmonary diseases associated with connective tissue disorders, and was the director of the COVID Center of Excellence. Prior to that, she worked as a Pulmonologist and Critical Care Physician at Mayo Clinic Florida, when she created the Interstitial Lung Disease and Rheumatology-Pulmonary programs.

Dr. Mira completed Medical School and her first Internal Medicine residence in Colombia, her birth country. She completed a second Internal Medicine residence at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH, US and her fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care at Cleveland Clinic, main campus. During her fellowship, she received special training on interstitial lung disease and pulmonary hypertension, areas in which she has been focused throughout her career.

Dr. Mira has received recognition as Best Medical Symposium Director and received an award in innovation, thanks to her work creating the collaboration of Pulmonary, Rheumatology, Radiology and Pathology departments.

She has mentored multiple trainees, including medical students, internal medicine residents and pulmonary and critical care fellows.

Dr. Mira has many peer-reviewed publications, mostly in the areas of interstitial lung disease and pulmonary hypertension, and has been the author of many Chapter books. She is an active member of the American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST), American Thoracic Society (ATS), Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) and European Respiratory Society (ERS) and has presented at multiple national and international meetings.

Dr. Mira has been married for more than 20 years, and is a mother of two. She loves art and is an avid runner.



Jihad Mallat
MD, PhD, Cleveland Clinic Lerner
College of Medicine, USA
Section Head of Surgical, ICU
Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dr. Mallat is certified by the French Board of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine, with additional subspecialty certification in Critical Care Medicine. He was also appointed as a Professor of Medicine in Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University, Ohio, USA. He has also a Master Degree in Methodology, Statistics, and Research from the University of Paris-Sud, Paris, France. Dr. Mallat is the Middle East Representative of the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine.

Dr. Mallat has made as significant contributions to research into critical care medicine, in areas including circulatory failure and its management, heart-lung interactions and issues related to mechanical ventilation. He has been published extensively in peer-reviewed journals (more than 100 articles to date) and he sits on the editorial boards of several journals.

Speakers' Biography



Nimeh Mahmoud

MSN, Assistant Nurse Manager
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Ms. Nimeh, is currently the ANM in Neuro ICU at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. She has been in the UAE for 7 years now and previously worked in Chicago, IL., her background is strong in Neuro and Trauma ICU, currently hold multiple hats in CCAD among them being the Organ Donation Champion as well as the stroke lead. Ms. Nimeh, finished her Masters of Science in Nursing and did dissertation on "Nursing Perceived Barriers on Early Mobilization." This dissertation was published in 2022 by the Emirates Critical Care. She enjoy taking on new challenges in her career or in personal life. Her theory in life is "Disguise the Limit."



Wasim El Nekidy

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Dr. Wasim El Nekidy is a Senior Specialist Pharmacotherapy at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE and Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, USA. Dr. El Nekidy is also the Chair-Elect for the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, Nephrology PRN.

Dr. El Nekidy had a bachelor degree in pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Egypt and Doctor of Pharmacy Degree, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA. He also pursued a post doctorate ASHP accredited residency at St. John Hospital & Medical Center, Detroit, MI, USA. Dr. El Nekidy is American board certified in Pharmacotherapy, Ambulatory Care, and Infectious Diseases.

Dr. El Nekidy's research interest is in antimicrobial dosing and their Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics in patients with kidney diseases with more than 40 between journal articles and book chapters. Also, he is an author and peer reviewer for the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, Self-Assessment Programs (ACSAP, PSAP, and IDSAP). In addition, he is a peer reviewer in several prestigious international journals.



Tamas Szakmany,

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Professor Tamás Szakmány is a Consultant in Intensive Care and Anaesthesia at Aneurin Bevan University Health Board and Honorary Professor in Intensive Care at Cardiff University. Prof. Szakmany graduated at the University of Pecs, Hungary, where he then went on to gain his PhD in Critical Care. He moved to the UK in 2004 and to Wales in 2008. His main research interests are monitoring and modulation of inflammatory response in sepsis and after major surgery, epidemiology of long-term outcomes after critical illness and treatment options in ARDS. He is the clinical lead for the Welsh Intensive Care Information System project, which aims to digitize critical care in Wales. As a keen user of Twitter, he was appointed as the Associate Editor for Social Media at Critical Care Explorations, the newest journal of the Society of Critical Care Medicine. He was awarded the MBE (Member of the Order of the British Empire) in the 2021 Queen's New Years Honours List for his services to the NHS during Covid-19. Together with the other amateur videographers in the critical care team at the Royal Gwent Hospital, he won the BAFTA Cymru award in the Photography: Factual category in 2021, for their Critical: Coronavirus in Intensive Care documentary. He is a regular speaker and Faculty at the SCCM Congresses and one of the Congress Co-Chairs for the 2024 Annual Congress.

Speakers' Biography



Ahmed Eissa
MD, MSc, MBBS
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Ahmed Ibrahim Eissa, M.B.B.Ch, M. Sc., M.D.

Dr. Eissa, is an Assistant Professor of Critical Care Medicine at Cairo University and consultant of Critical Care Medicine in Abu Dhabi- UAE.

He graduated from Cairo University in 1997 with honors. And had his basic training at Cairo University hospitals as a resident of Critical Care Medicine and attained my medical Master degree in 2003 and medical doctorate in 2009.

He have been continuously working in the field for more than 25 years. And worked for different hospitals in Egypt, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and United Arab of Emirates.

Dr. Eissa have special experience in cardiac intensive care, ICU management of trauma victims, mechanical ventilation management, post transplantation management (including heart, lung, liver, and kidney) and management of patients on mechanical circulatory support and ECMO (extra-corporeal membrane oxygenator)

And concerned with medical teaching, and he has been an internationally recognized instructor of many courses related to the field, including ACLS, ATLS and FCCS



Ihab Ahmed
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Dr Ihab Ahmed, MD, is an Associate Staff Physician of Critical Care at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi.

Dr Ahmed received his medical degree from Ain Shams University, Egypt, and completed his residency within the Cardiothoracic Surgery department at Ain Shams University.

Throughout his tenure, Dr Ahmed has specialized in cardiac and surgical critical care with special interest in ECMO. Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Ahmed was a Clinical Consultant of Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO) therapy at Getinge Company, providing clinical support and education for ECMO centers in the Middle East



Ahmed Tarek
MD, EDIC
Critical Care Consultant
Rashid Hospital, Dubai, UAE

Dr. Ahmed Tarek is a Senior Specialist in the Surgical ICU at Rashid Hospital, Dubai, UAE, with extensive expertise in critical care. He earned his M.B.B.Ch. with honors from Alexandria University, Egypt, in 1999, followed by a Master's Degree in Critical Care from the same institution in 2004. Dr. Tarek holds the European Diploma in Intensive Care (EDIC, 2013) and the National Board of Echocardiography (CCEeXAM, 2021). Since 2010, he has been serving in the Surgical ICU at Rashid Hospital's Trauma Centre and is a licensed Critical Care Consultant with the DHA since 2022. Additionally, he is an accredited ACLS, PALS, BLS, and ATLS instructor at the DHA Training Center in Dubai

Speakers' Biography



Galal Abdelnaby

MD, Consultant Critical Care Medicine
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MD Critical care medicine 2004.

Consultant Critical Care Medicine

Head of Critical Care Dept

Al Qassimi Hospital Sharjah, EHS.

A. Professor of Critical care Alexandria Faculty of Medicine, Egypt.

Former Technical Director of Intensive Care Medicine Dept, Alexandria Faculty of Medicine. Egypt.

Former Head of Intensive care Dept, Royal Commission Medical Center Yanbu, KSA.

Former Deputy Head of Intensive care Dept, IECC Jeddah, KSA.



Mohamed Nassef

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Consultant Critical Care Medicine
Al Qassimi Hospital,
Sharjah (EHS), UAE

Dr. Mohamed Nassef is a consultant critical care medicine at Al Qassimi Hospital (AQH), Emirates Health Services (EHS). Adjunct clinical assisted professor in department of clinical sciences university of Sharjah, UAE.

Dr. Nassef is member of:

- National Institute for Health Specialties (NIHS)- ICU Scientific committee
- EHS-organ donation and transplant committee
- AQH infection prevention and control committee
- AQH antibiotic stewardship program (ASP)

Dr. Nassef certified as anesthesia and critical care physician from the Arab Board of Health Specializations 2012. He received his master's degree from Mansoura University, Egypt 2004 in anesthesia and critical care.

Poster Presenters

1. PREVALENCE OF URINARY STONE DISEASE AMONG ADULTS IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
[Ms. Samra Sajan Julius](#)
2. ABDOMINAL ABSCESES CAUSED BY NECROTIZING APPENDICITIS: A RARE CASE REPORT
[Dr. Nikita Kishore](#)
3. PROLONGED INFUSION OF β -LACTAMS: WHY, WHEN, AND HOW
[Dr. Mohamed Abdelgalil](#)
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