

1st Hellenic Stroke School

Educational Meeting on Acute Ischemic Stroke

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1st Hellenic Stroke School (1st HSS)

Educational Meeting on Acute Ischemic Stroke

The **1st HSS** is a modern and targeted two-day conference focusing on case selection, revascularization techniques, and interdisciplinary collaboration for the treatment of acute stroke. It includes theoretical presentations, case presentations, and hands-on practical training sessions.

Secretariat Opening Hours

Day 1 **Thursday** | 08:30 – 17:00, Day 2 **Friday** | 09:00 – 16:00

Certificates of Attendance will only be given to those who have completed the printed evaluation questionnaire. The email will be sent within two working days of the end of the conference. **Contact email address:** congress@theotokistravel.gr

Welcome Address

Dear Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the 1st Hellenic Stroke School – an Educational Meeting on Acute Ischemic Stroke!

The **Hellenic Association of Professional Radiologists** (EEAAE) proudly returns to active educational initiatives, aiming to establish a modern and institutional educational pillar that responds to the global need for comprehensive stroke care, with particular emphasis on theoretical and hands-on training in Interventional Neuroradiology and Stroke Management.

The **1st HSS** focuses on Imaging and Endovascular Treatment of Ischemic Stroke, with special emphasis on Mechanical Thrombectomy, aspiring to address the educational needs of today's multidisciplinary stroke team.

It is primarily designed for Radiologists, Interventional Radiologists, Neuroradiologists, and Endovascular Neurosurgeons involved in stroke management.

At the same time, it warmly welcomes Neurologists, Internists, Cardiologists, Anesthesiologists, and other medical specialties engaged in the diagnosis and treatment of stroke.

It is also open to Technologists and Nurses, who are essential members of endovascular stroke treatment teams.

Your enthusiastic response to the **1st Hellenic Stroke School** motivates us to establish a consistent, high-level educational institution in the field of Stroke Management in Greece.

With appreciation and warm regards,

Antonio Tsanis,
HSS Chairman

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PROGRAMME

DAY 1

Thursday, November 20, 2025

Room: Pella - Mycenae, 08:30 – 18:45

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
	Theoretical part From Imaging to Intervention Welcome: A. Tsanis
09:00 – 12:45	Stroke Essentials – What it is, how to understand it, how to handle it. Moderators: E. Archontakis, V. Panagiotopoulos
09:00 – 09:15	What is a stroke and what is our role? P. Papanagiotou
09:15 – 09:30	What is NIHSS – and how does it help guide intervention? S. Vasilopoulou
09:30 – 09:45	What is ASPECTS and how is it calculated? P. Papadopoulos
09:45 – 10:00	The usefulness of CT angiography and how to interpret it. P. Zampakis
10:00 – 10:15	What is mismatch – Perfusion CT? T. Tsinas
10:15 – 10:30	Use of artificial intelligence software – how it helps. N. Tsamopoulos
10:30 – 10:45	Who is a candidate for thrombectomy? – basic indications. Ch. Papagiannaki
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break
	Moderators: M. Karygiannis, S. Foinitsis
11:15 – 11:30	Anatomy of intracranial vessels – what we need to know. M. Politi

11:30 – 11:45	What are tandem lesions? N. Ptochis
11:45 – 12:00	What is the Stent Retriever Technique? Th. Bazinas
12:00 – 12:15	What is the Aspiration Technique? V. Mamalis
12:15 – 12:30	What is No-Reflow? – Causes and management. V. Panagiotopoulos
12:30 – 12:45	Post-intervention imaging: how, when, why. N. Nasis
12:45 – 13:15	Invited Lecture Neuro-OCT (Optical Coherence Tomography): The dawn of a new era – Potential applications in Stroke. V. Anagnostakou
13:15 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:30	Patient Selection and Intervention Strategies Moderators: P. Zampakis, P. Papanagiotou
14:00 – 14:15	Posterior circulation strokes. When do we intervene? S. Foinitsis
14:15 – 14:30	M2 occlusion – Indication for thrombectomy? Z. Sypsa
14:30 – 14:45	Tandem Lesions – Intervention strategy. M. Karygiannis
14:45 – 15:00	When is a neurosurgeon needed? V. Katsaridis
15:00 – 15:15	From Alteplase to Tenecteplase and IA application. Senta Frol

15:15–15:45

Invited Lecture

Mechanical Thrombectomy: Guided by Science

M. Gounis

15:45 – 16:15

Coffee Break

16:15 – 17:00

Interventional Techniques

Moderators: A. Tsanis, A. Andreou

16:15 – 16:30

Aspiration, stent retriever, or combination? Advantages & strategy.

P. Zampakis

16:30 – 16:45

Challenging anatomical patterns – Intracranial stenosis, dissections.

G. Pavlidis

16:45 – 17:00

Thrombectomy complications and how to manage them.

P. Papanagiotou

17:00 – 17:45

DRG & Stroke Reimbursement – What applies today

Moderator: A. Tsanis

P. Messaropoulos: **DRG – Pricing & hospital reimbursement**
M. Politi: **How is Thrombectomy coded?**

17:45 – 18:30

In Lieu of an Opening

E. Brountzos

**The Path of the Radiologist: From the Study of Plain
Radiography to Intracranial Thrombectomy**

G. Ntaios

Stroke: A field of Synergy between Specialties

A. Tsanis, P. Papanagiotou

Brain or Birth? Limits and Ethical Dilemmas.

The Next Steps in Treating Strokes in Our Country.

DAY 2

Friday, November 21, 2025

Main Hall (Macedonia), 09:00 – 17:00

Clinical seminars and hands-on training

(simulation stations: aspiration, stent retrievers, balloons, access devices), as well as demonstration of AI-powered stroke imaging/applications

09:00 – 11:00

Moderator: **P. Papanagiotou**

Speakers: **P. Paraschakis, G. Fragkos, P. Primikyris, N. Ptochis**

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:30

Satellite Symposia

13:30 – 14:15

Lunch Break

14:15 – 15:15

Moderator: **P. Zampakis**

Speakers: **N. Tsamopoulos, G. Pavlidis, C. Papagiannaki, V. Katsaridis**

15:15 – 17:00

Moderator: **P. Papanagiotou**

Speakers: **T. Tsinas, M. Politi, S. Spiliopoulos, C. Papagiannaki**

Parallel Rooms

Practical part – Specialized Seminars & Hands-on Workshops

09:00 – 11:00

1st group

14:15 – 15:15

2nd group

15:15 – 17:00

3rd group

Hands-on Workshop Instructors per Station (at rotating stations)

Station 1: **V. Panagiotopoulos, E. Archontakis, V. Mamalis**

Station 2: **N. Ptochis, S. Foinitsis, N. Nasis, M. Karygiannis**

Station 3: **T. Tsinas, M. Politi, C. Papagiannaki, P. Paraschakis**

Satellite Symposia

11:30 – 12:30

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12:45 – 13:15

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Medtronic and Brainomix AI Platform for stroke: New challenges and New solutions

Patricia Crespo, Regional manager of Brainomix

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