Hands-on Clinical fMRI and Diffusion Tractography

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24 CME and 3 SAM credits
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Course Overview

During most MRI procedures, there is no need for interaction between the administrator of the test and the patient. The situation is quite the opposite in functional MRI (fMRI), where the neurological status of the patient must be assessed; an appropriate paradigm must be selected based on the neurological assessment and prior MRI examinations. Further, the paradigm must be delivered to and successfully performed by the patient while in the MRI machine. In addition, there is a rather complicated analysis of the fMRI and diffusion tractography data, which must be performed and assessed. How to properly perform these tasks is often not addressed during residency and fellowship training or in annual scientific society meetings.

Target Audience

Clinicians involved in fMRI, including neuroradiologists, neurosurgeons and neurologists.

Educational Objectives

Understand the fundamental principles behind fMRI and diffusion tractography
Choose the optimal fMRI paradigms appropriate for the patient and clinical situation
Deliver fMRI paradigms correctly and monitor the patient for adequate compliance
Hands on experience so that the attendee will be able to analyze fMRI and diffusion tractography
Understand how data is delivered to a neurosurgical navigational system and used by the neurosurgeon
Avoid pitfalls in the interpretation of clinical fMRI and diffusion tractography
Optimize fMRI billing and coding

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Registration Fee is $2000. Registration is limited to enhance the individualized attention from the faculty and hands-on experience, so please register as soon as possible.

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