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5th Allergy & Clinical Immunology Conference

Gulf Academy Conference on Allergy and Clinical Immunology

"Shaping Tomorrow's Care: Personalized Approaches in Allergy and Immunology"

FEBRUARY 7 - 8, 2026

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Welcome Message

Dear Friends and Esteemed Colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it gives me a great pleasure to invite you to attend the 5th Allergy and Clinical Immunology Conference, taking place in the vibrant city of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on Saturday and Sunday, February 7–8, 2026.

This premier event is organized in collaboration with leading regional and international societies, including the:

- European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology (EAACI)
- Global Allergy and Asthma Excellence Network (GA²LEN)
- Asia Pacific Association of Allergy, Asthma and Clinical Immunology (APAAACI)
- Qatar Allergy Immunology Society (QAIS)
- European Society for Immunodeficiencies (ESID)
- Gulf Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology (GA²CI)

Together, these esteemed organizations bring a wealth of global expertise and a shared commitment to advancing the fields of allergy and clinical immunology.

Conference Highlights

The scientific program is designed to deliver cutting-edge updates, foster cross-disciplinary dialogue, and support clinical excellence. Key topics will include:

- Advances in the diagnosis and management of respiratory allergies
- Clinical approaches to urticaria and angioedema
- A focus on inborn errors of immunity and primary immunodeficiency disorders
- Updates tailored for practicing primary care physicians and pediatricians in allergy and immunology
- Dermatology for allergists and immunologists: hot topics and practical insights
- The latest trends, innovations, and therapeutic strategies in allergy and immunology

Whether you are a clinician, researcher, academic, or trainee, this event offers a rich educational experience and a chance to shape the future of allergy and clinical immunology in our region and beyond.

We sincerely look forward to welcoming you to Abu Dhabi, a city known for its hospitality, cultural richness, and world-class infrastructure, for what promises to be an inspiring and impactful conference.

Warm regards,

Prof. Mohamed Abuzakouk, MD, PhD
Conference Chairman
On behalf of the Organizing Committee

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WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND?

The largest scientific gathering of Allergists and Immunologists in the UAE and in the Gulf Region.

Get first-hand access to the most recent findings in immunology and allergy.

Networking with national, regional and international experts in the field of Allergy and Clinical Immunology.

TARGET AUDIENCE

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- Pediatricians
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Day 1: Saturday, 7 February 2026



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07:00 **Registration & Welcome Coffee**

08:25 Opening Remarks by Conference Chairperson
Prof. Mohamed Abuzakouk, UAE

08:30 Keynote Lecture: Innovations in Paediatric Immunodeficiencies: Diagnostics & Management
Speaker: Prof. Andrew Gennery, UK
Moderator: Prof. Salem Al Tamemi

Session 1: EAACI- GA²CI Plenary Session
Tailored Treatments for United Airway Diseases: Integrating Precision Medicine into Everyday Practice
Moderators: Dr. Carla Irani and Dr. Fouziyah Al Jarallah

09:00 Precision Medicine in Asthma: Personalized Strategies for Better Control and Quality of Life
Dr. Mateen Uzbeck, UAE

09:20 Targeted Therapies for Allergic Rhinitis: Enhancing Patient Outcomes Through Precision Care
Prof. Mohamed H. Shamji, UK

09:40 Individualized Management of Chronic Sinusitis: Precision Approaches to Reduce Symptoms and Improve Healing
Dr. Yogesh More, UAE

10:00 Question and Answer

10:10 Sponsored Symposium

10:30 **Coffee Break**

Session 2: GA²LEN- GA²CI Plenary Session
Emerging Therapies for Chronic Urticaria, Hereditary Angioedema and Dermatitis:
Personalizing Treatment for Better Outcomes
Moderators: Dr. Ayman Alnaeem, Dr. Ahmed Salem Al Dhaheri and Dr. Farida Almarzooqi

10:45 Advances in Biologic Therapies for Chronic Urticaria: A New Era in Personalized Treatment
Prof. Dr. Luis Felipe Ensina, Brazil

11:05 Emerging Treatments for Atopic Dermatitis: Targeting Inflammation with Precision
Dr. Sara Al Janahi, UAE

11:25 From Itch to Relief: Novel Therapeutic Approaches for Refractory Skin Disorders
Dr. Ashraf Reda, UAE

11:45 Hereditary Angioedema: From Diagnosis to Precision Care
Dr. Shuayb Elkhaila, UAE

12:05 Question and Answer

12:15 Sponsored Symposium by CSL Behring

12:35 **Lunch Break**

13:35 **Opening Ceremony**

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Session 3: APAAACI- GA²CI Plenary Session Global Climate Change and Impact on Allergic Diseases

Moderator: Dr. Farida Almarzooqi and Prof. Abdullah Alangari

- 13:55 IEI - Immune Dysregulation Beyond Infections
Prof. Amir Hamzah Abdul Latiff, Malaysia
- 14:15 Early Life Microbiome, Environment and Allergies: Is there a Road to Prevention
Prof. Ruby Pawankar, Japan
- 14:35 The Clinical Relevance of Desert Ecosystem Allergens: Challenges and Insights
Prof. Maryam Al-Nesf, Qatar
- 14:55 Question and Answer
- 15:05 Sponsored Symposium
- 15:25 **Coffee Break**

Session 4:

Inflammation at the Crossroads: Case-Based Insights into Mechanisms and Disease-Modifying Therapies

15:40

Type 2 Inflammation Uncovered:
From Clinical Phenotypes to
Targeted Intervention

Expert Panel:

Dr. Hamad Al Hameli, UAE
Dr. Fadhel Al Sabagh, Bahrain
Dr. Eman Al Houli, UAE

16:20

Immunodeficiency and
Inflammatory Overlap:
Diagnostic Challenges and
Treatment Pathways

Expert Panel:

Dr. Hiba Shendi, UAE
Prof. Andrew Gennery, UK
Prof. Waleed Al-Herz, Kuwait

17:00

Allergen Immunotherapy in
Practice: Redefining Long-Term
Control of Inflammatory Disease

Expert Panel:

Dr. Inmaculada Cerecedo, UAE
Dr. Iman Nasr, Oman
Prof. Maryam Al-Nesf, Qatar

17:40

Day 1 Closing Remarks & Summary

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07:30 **Registration & Welcome Coffee**

Session 5: Research and Innovation Moderator: Dr. Shuayb Elkhailifa

08:15 PCR Testing for Psoriasis and Eczema
Dr. Reem El Bahtimi, UAE

08:25 AI-Assisted Penicillin Allergy De-labeling
AI Team Birmingham City University

08:35 Beyond Medications, Role of Diet in Allergies and Immune Disorders
Ms. Marwa Almarzouqi, UAE

08:45 Sensitization Profile in UAE
Dr. Inmaculada Cerecedo, UAE

08:55 Question and Answer

Session 6: Paediatric Allergy & Immunology 2026: What Every Paediatrician Needs to Know

Moderators: Prof. Suleiman Al-Hammadi, Dr. Abdelaly Dabosy, Dr. Loie Goronfolah and Dr. Raed Alzyoud

09:00 Food Allergy: Prevention, Diagnosis & Immunotherapy
Dr. Hamad Al Hameli, UAE and Dr. Inmaculada Cerecedo, UAE

09:20 Food Protein-Induced Enterocolitis Syndrome (FPIES)
Dr. Stuart Carr, UAE

09:40 Approach to Eosinophilia in Children
Dr. Mohamed Maki Ebrahim, UAE

10:00 Question and Answer

10:10 **Coffee Break**

10:25 Drug Allergy in Children
Dr. Emilio José Solano Solares, UAE

10:45 Anaphylaxis: Recognition, Preparedness & Education
Dr. Adnan Al Ali, UAE

11:05 Primary Immunodeficiency (PID) and Inborn Errors of Immunity: Childhood Immunity Under the Microscope
Dr. Tariq Al Farsi, Oman

11:25 Question and Answer

11:40 Sponsored Symposium

12:00 **Lunch Break**

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Session 7:

Frontiers in Allergy and Immunology: Innovations Shaping the Future of Care

Moderators: Prof. Mohamed Abuzakouk and Dr. Muriel Ghosn

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| 13:00 | Eosinophilic Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis - Where We Stand and What Lies Ahead?
Prof. Ömer Karadağ, Türkiye |
| 13:20 | Ten-Year Experience with ANCA-Associated Vasculitis in the United Arab Emirates: Findings from the Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi Registry
Dr. Rajaie Namas, UAE |
| 13:40 | VEXAS Syndrome: Unmasking a New Frontier in Adult onset- Autoinflammation
Prof. Sinisia Savic, UK |
| 14:00 | Introducing The Middle East, North Africa and Turkey IEI's Research Consortium
Dr. Mohammed Karim, Qatar |
| 14:20 | Genetics Advances and Immunologic Insights – Experience from the Gulf
Dr. Fayhan Jida Alroqi, KSA |
| 14:40 | Question and Answer |
| 14:50 | Sponsored Symposium |
| 15:10 | Coffee Break |

Session 8:

A Primary Care Guide to Allergic and Immunologic Diseases: Recognize, Refer, or Manage?

Moderators: Dr. Marilyn Karam and Dr. Fulvio Salvo

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| 15:25 | Recurrent Infections and Fatigue: Identifying Primary Immunodeficiency Disorders Early
Prof. Rand Arnaout, KSA |
| 15:45 | Allergy Testing in Primary Care: What's Appropriate and What's Not
Dr. Yassmin Othman, Kuwait |
| 16:05 | Is It Drug Allergy, Can We De-label at Primary Care?
Prof. María José Torres, Spain |
| 16:25 | Is It a Cold or Allergic Rhinitis? Making the Diagnosis in Primary Care
Dr. Zainab Sallom, Bahrain |
| 16:45 | Question and Answer |
| 17:00 | Conference Closing & Farewell |