



### Welcome to the Center for Multiple Sclerosis

The Center for Multiple Sclerosis (MS) / Unit of Neuro-Immunology at the Hadassah University Medical Center in Ein Kerem is a multidisciplinary center for the diagnosis and treatment of multiple sclerosis and other inflammatory diseases of the nervous system. Patients visit our Center from all over Israel and from abroad, and we work in collaboration with the rehabilitation center at Hadassah Mt. Scopus.

During the recent years we have conducted several clinical trials at the Center testing new and innovative treatments, particularly stem cells transplantation.

#### Who is on our staff?

The Center's staff includes neurologists specializing in multiple sclerosis and other neuro-immunological diseases\*, nurse, a social worker, psychologist - all of whom specialize in MS.

Additionally, the Center works with consultants on visual and urological problems, muscle spasticity, and pain management.

### What services do we provide?

- Public MS clinic (with the option of urgent appointments)
- Special biomarker tests to track disease activity
- \* New day care clinic and biological treatments
- Social services
- Cognitive assessment
- Meetings and treatment with psychologist
- Rehabilitation treatment
- Special treatments for spasticity and pain
- \* Clinical trials with stem cell therapies

# How can you receive treatment at the Center?

You can become a patient at the Center by calling or sending us an e-mail with your request.

### What should you bring with you to the Center?

- Bring your most recent MRI scans (on a disc). It is important for us to upload these MRI scans to Hadassah's system so that our experts can assess and compare your MRI scans using specialized computer techniques to quantitatively evaluate the scans.
- You should also bring your most recent blood test results, if you have them

## Meet our specialists:



#### **Prof. Dimitrios Karussis**

Senior neurologist and international expert in neuroimmunology and stem cells, the head of the new Center for Multiple Sclerosis (MS)/Unit for Neuro-Immunology at Hadassah Hospital. Prof. Karussis represents Israel in the major European forums related to multiple sclerosis and neuro-immune diseases.



### Dr. Panayiota Petrou

Senior neurologist at the Center for MS and Neuro-Immunology. Dr. Petrou received her medical degree from the University of Thessaloniki in Greece.

She completed her neurology residency in Hadassah and received Board certification from the Israel Neurological Association and the European Neurology Board.



### Dr. Nour Eddine Yaghmour

Senior neurologist at the Center for MS and Neuro-Immunology. Dr. Yaghmour studied at Misr University for Science and Technology (MUST) in Egypt and has two sub-specialties: Neuroimmunology and strokes.



#### Dr. Ami Werber

Senior neurologist who is specialized in the treatment of pain and neuralgia at Hadassah Hospital. He is a graduate of National University of Rosario in Argentina.



### Ms. Tahani Diab

Nurse at the Center for MS and Neuro-Immunology, who has a bachelor's degree in nursing from Barzilai Nursing School and a ,master's degree in Information Systems Management from Israel Academic College in Ramat Gan.



### Mr. Yarden Levy

Neuropsychologist at the Center for MS and Neuro-Immunology. Mr. Levy specializes in rehabilitative psychology. He completed his bachelor's degree in rehabilitative neuropsychology at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

## \* A list of neuro-immunological diseases treated at our unit:

- Multiple sclerosis MS
- Neuromyelitis optica NMO
- Myasthenia gravis
- \* Autoimmune neuropathies
- Vasculitis of the nervous system
- Autoimmune encephalitis
- Systemic autoimmune diseases with neurological involvement (lupus, sarcoidosis, Sjogren's syndrome, and others)



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