

Dear member,

You are receiving this email because you have an ebrain account.

We are writing to all ebrain account holders to

1. Explain what data items we hold
2. Remind you how to access ebrain
3. Tell you about some of the newer ebrain developments

Ebrain ([www.ebrain.net](http://www.ebrain.net)) is an elearning project, launched in 2011 and developed by the neuroscience specialties. It is not for profit, free of any commercial support and has been written by over 400 different professional authors on an entirely voluntary basis. There are over 8,000 users registered with a substantial number who use it at least monthly.

Members of most of the Neuroscience Specialty Associations in UK and the European Academy of Neurology have free access as a benefit of their membership of the Neuroscience Association. The content is made available free of charge to World Bank Low Income & HINARI countries.

### Data items

In May 2018 the European General Data Protection Regulation will come into force, consequently we need to let you know what data of yours we hold. Ebrain is owned by the Joint Neurosciences Council ([www.jointneurosciencescouncil.org](http://www.jointneurosciencescouncil.org)) who are the data controller.

The ebrain website holds the learning content in a system called a virtual learning environment. This system is designed to track learning activity and therefore collects the following data

- Your name (mandatory)
- Your e-mail address (mandatory)
- Your user ID and password (mandatory)
- Other optional profile fields you may wish to complete for example, we encourage all users to also record their country of origin to help us track usage.
- Your Internet Protocol address which is used as a location marker
- Your learning activity data including but not limited to a weblog, resources used, test scores, certificates and CPD points awarded.

If you have never logged on to ebrain we will hold only your name, your email address, your ebrain user id and ebrain password. **If you have never logged on and do not log on by the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 we will have to delete your account.**

Ebrain data is stored safely and in accordance with our privacy and data security policies which can be found [here](#)

If you want us to update or delete your account then please let us know and we will normally be able to do this. [admin@ebrain.net](mailto:admin@ebrain.net)

### Getting access to ebrain

For members of the European Academy of Neurology – access to ebrain is via the EAN website. Details can be found [here](#)

For everybody else access to ebrain is via [www.ebrain.net](http://www.ebrain.net). If you have lost your login or password, you can get a reminder sent to you [here](#).

Ebrain works with all browsers and computers, you do need to allow pop-ups for the website [learning.ebrain.net](http://learning.ebrain.net)

### What is new?

**E-learning sessions and CPD.** There are over 500 elearning sessions, of these, over half have been updated in the last 12 months, the rest will be updated over the next 12-18 months. The sessions all comprise 20 minutes of learning content, a short quiz, which you must pass, but can retake as often as required and mandatory feedback.

Certificates can be generated and a session counts as 1/3<sup>rd</sup> external CPD point. Ebrain can issue up to 9 CPD points per annum.

**Annual formative tests of knowledge.** The Neurosurgery (now in its fifth year) and Neurology (2<sup>nd</sup> year) annual formative tests of knowledge are available in May. These consist of 100 questions and have proved very popular for exam preparation in both specialties. Versions from previous years are made available for practice.

**Webinars** There are a growing number of recorded lectures from recent conferences. This is expected to develop further over the next few years. Live interactive webinars is an aspiration but not yet fulfilled.

**Other content** includes virtual patient cases, a large question bank, wiki bibliographies, online components of some residential courses and a clinical trial training package.

### Getting involved

We are always looking for authors and peer reviewers. Please do get involved – information on how you might help can be found [here](#).

The ebrain team would be very pleased to consider any ideas that anyone in the neuroscience community has and would like to develop on this e-learning platform. Please contact [editor@ebrain.net](mailto:editor@ebrain.net)

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