

neuropsychological battery used for this evaluation was based on established guidelines, and while there were limitations in administration of the present battery, it is imperative to highlight the necessity and feasibility for adaptation of protocols to best capture data in culturally-underrepresented and visually impaired populations.

**Categories:** Epilepsy/Seizures

**Keyword 1:** neuropsychological assessment

**Keyword 2:** epilepsy / seizure disorders

**Keyword 3:** multiculturalism

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2. Recognize which neural regions are key for mediating religious belief.
3. Describe why this knowledge is important when working with patients who have to make important decisions.

## Closing Remarks

1:15 - 1:30pm

Saturday, 4th February, 2023

Pacific Ballroom A

## 5 min. break

12:10 - 12:15pm

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## Plenary G: The Faithful Brain

**Presenter: Jordan Grafman**

12:15 - 1:15pm

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Pacific Ballroom A

**Abstract & Learning Objectives:**

Religion's neural underpinnings have long been a topic of speculation and debate, but an emerging neuroscience of religion is beginning to clarify which regions of the brain integrate moral, ritual, and supernatural religious beliefs with functionally adaptive responses. In my presentation, I will review evidence indicating that religious cognition involves a complex interplay among the brain regions underpinning cognitive control, social reasoning, social motivations, emotion, reinforcement, and ideological beliefs. I will then conclude my presentation by summarizing current and future research efforts and why searching for God in the brain is critical to our understanding of human behavior.

Upon conclusion of this course, learners will be able to:

1. Summarize the methods used to study the neural basis of religious belief.