

Conference Program



Hawler Medical University

4th International Scientific Conference

**‘Towards Scientific Identification of
Mass Graves and Genocide in
Kurdistan Region’**

Erbil International Hotel

Erbil, Iraqi Kurdistan Region

7-8 November 2018

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Day I – 7th November 2018

8:30-9:30 **Registration**

9:30-10:00 **Opening Ceremony**

10:00-10:45 **Keynote Lecture:**
Background of the Genocide in Kurdistan –
Mr. Fadhil Mirani

10:45-11:15 **Gallery and Coffee Break**

11:15-12:00 Panel-Molecular Identification of Victims of Genocide
Dr. Yassin K. Amin, Paywast J. Jalal, Dr. Ayshan R. Yassin
Moderator: Dr. Aveen F. Haji Mam

Session 1 – (12:00 -13:00) Genocide and Mass Graves

Moderators: Prof. Kawa Dizaye, Dr. Daniele S. Persike

Time	Presentations
12:00-12:15	Keynote Lecture: Genocide in Kurdistan Region Should not be Ignored! Dr. Azhin Omer
12:15-12:30	Forensic Investigation of Barzanian Mass Grave Skeletal Remains in Busaya Desert in Samawa- Iraq Dr. Yassin K. Amin
12:30-13:00	Questions and Discussion
13:00-14:00	Lunch

Session 2 – (14:00-16:00)

Legal Issues and Documentation of Genocide

Moderators: Dr. Azhin Omer, Dr. Samir Othman

Time	Presentations
14:00-14:15	Religion Perspective of Genocide (in Arabic) Dr. Yassin Bahrkay
14:15-14:30	Supporting a Sustainable Mechanism to Use GIS in Forensic Investigation for the Missing Persons' Issue Garikai Crispin Mpande, Dr. Tareq Omairi
14:30-14:45	Enhancing The Support for Women and Children Affected by The Conflict: Legal Component Mr. Ayman Mostafa
14:45-15:00	Mortality and Kidnapping Estimates for the Yazidi Population: A Retrospective Household Survey Dr. Valeria Cetorelli, Dr. Nazar Shabila
15:00-15:15	Gaps in Medical Research and Documents Regarding Kurdish Genocide in Kurdistan Region Dr. Hamdia M. Ahmed, Dr. Aveen F. Haji Mam , Dr. Arazoo Fatahi, Kathryn Mishkin
15:15-15:30	Documentation of Kurdish Genocide: A Retrospective Study Dr. Kareem F. Aziz , Jawdat M. Al-Hagbaker, Sideeque Sadir, Yousif Muhammad
15:30-16:00	Questions and Discussion

Day II – 8th November 2018

Session 3 – (9:00-11:00)

Forensic Anthropology and Role of DNA and Molecular Identification of Victims of Genocide

Moderators: Prof. Ali Al-Dabbagh, Arthur Saniotis

Time	Presentations
9:00-9:15	Keynote Lecture: Age Estimation at Death Using Teeth Dr. Khurshid A. Kheder Khrwatany
9:15-9:30	Mass Grave Excavation and Osteological Evaluation of Peshmarga Mass Grave in Shakhke –Duhok Dr. Yassin K. Amin
9:30-9:45	Forensic DNA Analysis Technologies in the Identification of Human Remains in Mass Graves Dr. Soza T. Baban
9:45-10:00	The Actions of Chemical Weapons Prof. Kawa Dizaye
10:00-10:15	Forensic Investigation of Two Christian and Muslim Mass Graves. Dr. Yassin K. Amin, Dr. Goran Q. Othman
10:15-10:30	The Role of Medical Expertise in the Documentation of Genocide: A 30 Year Retrospective Susannah Sirkin
10:30-11:00	Questions and Discussion
11:00-11:15	Coffee Break

Session 4 – (11:15-13:00)

Health and Psychosocial Consequences of Genocide

Moderators: Prof. Sirwan Ali, Dr. Arazoo Falahi

Time	Presentations
11:15-11:30	Role of Women after Genocide among Barzanian Families Miss. Paywand Naqshbandi ; Dr. Muaf Abdulla
11:30-11:45	Uncovering PTSD Symptoms: What is the Psychological Impact of Genocide on Survivors and How this been Dealt with by Healthcare Provision in Kurdistan Region of Iraq Dr. Azhin Omar , Dr. Kay Wheat, Dr. Aveen F. HajiMam
11:45-12:00	Lived Experience of the Activists of Barzanian Genocide: A Phenomenological Study Dr. Muaf Abdulla , Dr. Hamdia M. Ahmed, Dr. Tiran Jamil Piro
12:00-12:15	Biochemical Mechanisms and Methodologies Applied to the Study of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Dr. Daniele S. Persike , Dr. Suad Y. Al-Kass
12:15-12:30	Health Challenges of Women of Martyr Families in Erbil City Dr. Hamdia M. Ahmed
12:30-13:00	Questions and Discussion
13:00-14:00	Lunch

Session 5 – (14:00-16:00)

Effect of Chemical Weapons on the Kurdish People

Moderators: Prof. Kawa Dizaye, Dr. Nawsherwan Mohammad

Time	Presentations
14:00-14:15	Delayed Skin, Neurological and Eyes Complications of Chemical Weapons in Peshmargas Dr. Dindar Sh. Qurtas, Dr. Abdullah F. Ahmed, Dr. Barzan A. Ahmed, Dr. Barzhang Q. Saleem
14:15-14:30	Using Chemical Weapon by ISIS (Kurdish) Mr. Rekar Mzwri
14:30-14:45	Cytogenetic Study among Chemical Bombardment Survivors in Shekh Wasan & Balisan Valley Kurdistan Region-Iraq Miss Sheeman H. Mohammed, Dr. Hazha J. Hedayat
14:45-15:00	Clinical Biochemical and Hematological Follow-up of the Peshmarga's Exposed to Chemical Weapon Dr. Mohammad Y. Qader, Dr. Ahmed M. Argushi
15:00-15:30	Questions and Discussion
15:30-16:00	Closing Ceremony