Language disorders in dementia

The course will focus on Primary Progressive Aphasias (PPA) i.e. progressive brain disorders in which language is the primary deficit.

The following questions will serve as an outline for the course:

- What is PPA?
- What are the official varieties of PPA?
- What are the identifiable varieties of PPA?
- How can we diagnose/recognize these varieties on the basis of
  a) Language profile
  b) Other cognitive features
  c) Brain imaging?
- What brain pathologies produce PPA?
- How do PPA syndromes compare with aphasia after stroke?
- Can PPA be treated?

The issue of Secondary Progressive Aphasia, i.e. progressive brain disorders in which language is one, but not the major, component of a spectrum of deficits, will also be addressed.

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Who should attend?
Please note that the course is held in English and is aimed at specialists, i.e. neurologists, psychiatrists, geriatricians, neuropsychologists, and logopedics, with previous knowledge about dementia and cognitive functions.

Date: May 14, 2013
Time: 10:00 - 16:30
Registration deadline: April 12, 2013
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The course is organized by the Copenhagen Memory Clinic and the Danish Dementia Research Center.

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