



REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON RARE DISEASES

TOPIC IN FOCUS

Diagnostics in rare diseases

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PROGRAM

Hotel Sheraton, Novi Sad

09:00-9:30 Registration & welcome coffee

9:30-10:00 Opening ceremony

INTRODUCTION — Regulation

10:00-10:15 „The importance of early diagnosis - the European trend "6 months"
[Darija Julkovska](#), ERDERA-The European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases

10:15-10:30 „The status of patients with rare diseases and their right to diagnosis from the point of view of medical law"
[Hajrija Mujović](#), Institute of Social Sciences, Centre for Legal Research

10:30-10:45 “The current situation in the diagnosis of rare diseases in Serbia”
[Olivera Jovović](#), National Organization for Rare Diseases of Serbia, president

10:45-11:00 "Diagnostics of rare diseases in the Republic of Srpska: challenges and advantages of a small population"
[doc. Dr Nina Marić](#), Clinic for Children's Diseases UKC Republika Srpska, Center for Rare Diseases of the Republika Srpska

11:00-11:15 "R69 Initiative - ICD-10 Code for "illness, unspecified"
[Helen Hernandez](#), Kal research Initiative - Initiative R69

11:15-11:30 “Digital solutions for the diagnostic odyssey”
[Vukašin Radulović](#), Heliant, director

11:30-11:40 Panel - questions

OVERVIEW — Predictive diagnostics

11:40-12:00 “Screening of carriers of genetic diseases in the age of genomic medicine”
[Borislav Simović](#), Premium Genetics

12:00-12:20 “Preimplantation genetic testing of monogenic diseases (PGT-M) for all couples at the risk of rare disease”
[Mgr. Jakub Horak, Ph.D.](#), Director of Preimplantation Genetic Testing (PGT), GENNET The Centre of Medical Genetics and Reproductive Medicine, Board Member of PGDIS-Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis International Society, USA

12:20-12:40 “Prenatal screening of hereditary disorders in Serbia”
[Prim. dr sci. med. Aleksandra Novakov Mikić](#), Polyclinic Novakov

11:30-11:40 Panel - questions

12:50-13:30 Lunch

OVERVIEW — Targeted diagnostics

13:30-13:45 [Helene Cederroth](#), Wilhelm Foundation, Undiagnosed network

13:45-14:00 “Challenges of laboratory diagnostics of hereditary metabolic disorders in the era of new technologies”
[Ksenija Fumić](#), PhD, Department of Medical Biochemistry and Hematology, Zagreb University Hospital

14:00-14:25 „The Current and Prospective Applications of Next-Generation Sequencing in the Diagnosis of Rare Diseases“
[Maja Stojiljković](#), PhD, Full Research Professor, Institute of Molecular Genetics and Genetic Engineering, University of Belgrade

14:25-14:40 „Diagnostics and novel treatment options of severe short staturer“
[Assoc. Prof. Primož Kotnik MD, PhD](#) University Clinical Center Ljubljana, Pediatric Clinic, Clinical Department for Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolic Diseases, Ljubljana, Slovenia – Medical Faculty, University of Ljubljana

14:40-14:55 „Challenges in the diagnosis of genetic diseases in Serbia today“
[Prof. dr Goran Čuturilo](#), University Children's Hospital Belgrade

14:55-15:10 Panel — questions

15:10-15:25 “Why timely diagnosis in rare diseases is important”
[Dr Neena Nizar](#), Janssen Foundation, USA

15:25-15:40 “Diagnostics of hereditary bone diseases”
[doc. dr Adrijan Sarajlija](#), MD, PhD, Assoc. Professor of Pediatrics - University of Belgrade, Pediatrician, Clinical Genetics Consultant, Mother and Child Health Care Institute of Serbia "Dr. Vukan Cupic".

15:40-15:55 „Challenges in the diagnosis of Williams syndrome“
[PhD Sanda Huljev Frković](#), specialist in pediatrics, KBC Zagreb-Rebro, Croatia
[dr Aleksandra Perović](#), Associate Professor, University College London, Great Britain

15:55-16:10 “Diagnosis of rare diseases in Vojvodina”
[Prof. dr Ivana Kavečan](#) Specialist in pediatrics, subspecialist in clinical genetics, Institute for Health Care of Children and Youth of Vojvodina

16:10-16:25 „Experiences of the University Clinical Center of Serbia in the diagnosis of rare diseases and ways of improvement“
[Prof. dr Zorica Šumarac](#), Center for Medical Biochemistry, Clinical center of Srbija, Belgrade

16:25-16:40 “The importance of genetic testing in the diagnosis of rare neurological diseases of adulthood”
[Dr Milena Janković](#), PhD, Full Research Professor, Laboratory for Molecular Genetic diagnosis of Neurological Diseases, Clinic for Neurology, Clinical Center of Serbia

16:40-16:55 “Cegat - modern genetic diagnosis of rare diseases”
[Dr med. Aleksandar Antović](#), medical director of Family Health

16:55-17:05 Panel — questions

PANEL DISCUSSION: **Diagnosis of tuberous sclerosis from the point of view of the clinician and the patient**
Moderator: [Ivana Badnjarević](#)

17:05-17:45 [Tamara Brtan](#), mother of a girl suffering from tuberous sclerosis
[Dr Galina Stevanović](#), Clinic for neurology and psychiatry for children and youth, Belgrade
[Prim. dr sci. med. Aleksandra Novakov Mikić](#), Polyclinic Novakov

17:45 Q&A

Conclusions and closing



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