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# MEDICAL SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM

# Thursday

## 4th June 2026

LOCATIONS:  
Hotel Holiday  
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# **Fifth International Interdisciplinary Symposium in Mental Health in Children and Adolescents Symposium**

## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Emira Švraka - University of Sarajevo, Cerebral Palsy Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHAAAS


Sabina Kučukalić - Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Department of Psychiatry


Amer Smajkić - Affiliate Faculty, Center for Global Health, University of Illinois College of medicine, Chicago, USA, BHAAAS

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08:00 - 08:30	<b>Registration</b>	
08:30 - 08:50	<b>Pain in Children with Cerebral Palsy</b>	Emira Švraka (University of Sarajevo, Cerebral Palsy Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHAAS); Ranka Ogurlić (Public Health Institution Health Center Herceg Novi, Montenegro); Anka Vukićević (Health Insurance Fund of Montenegro, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Applied Physiotherapy, Podgorica, Montenegro); Mirela Babajić (Munich Clinic, Center for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Germany); Nadina Kurtanović (Health Institution "Spa Gata" Bihać)
08:50 - 09:10	<b>Treatment Challenges of Neurodevelopmental Disorder in Children and Adolescents in B&amp;H</b>	Sabina Kučukalić (Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Department of Psychiatry)
09:10 - 09:30	<b>Parenting with Connection and Confidence</b>	Amer Smajkić (Affiliate Faculty, Center for Global Health, University of Illinois College of medicine, Chicago, USA, BHAAS)
09:30 - 09:45	<b>Gastroenteropathy in Autistic Spectrum Disorder</b>	Nermina Kravić (Department of Psychiatry, University Clinical Centre Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Samra Iljazović Topčić (Medical Institute Bayer Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
09:45 - 10:00	<b>The Impact of Trauma on Children Exposed to Domestic Violence</b>	Nermina Ćurčić-Hadžagić (Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Psychiatry); Vesna Horvat (Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Psychiatry)
10:00 - 10:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Impaired Mental Health of the Adolescents – the Road of Addiction</b>	Rasema Okić (Institute for Addiction Disorders of Sarajevo Canton, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Family Heredity and Personality Disorders in Treatment of Psychoactive Substance Use Disorders</b>	Muhammed Mašić (Independent Consultant, Hauffgasse 2, Vienna, Austria)
11:00 - 11:15	<b>Adolescents in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Risky Behaviours and Suicidality</b>	Belkisa Hasanović (University Clinical Center Tuzla) Naida Salković (Tuzla Canton Public Health Institute)

11:15 - 11:30	<b>Pain Assessment Instruments in Children with Intellectual Disabilities</b>	Anka Vukićević (Health Insurance Fund of Montenegro, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Applied Physiotherapy, Podgorica, Montenegro); Ranka Ogurlić (Public Health Institution Health Center Herceg Novi, Montenegro); Emira Švraka (Cerebral Palsy Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo; University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHAAAS); Nadina Kurtanović (Health Institution "Spa Gata" Bihać); Mirela Babajić (6Munich Clinic, Center for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Germany)
11:30 - 11:45	<b>Musculoskeletal Pain and Mental Health in Children and Adolescents: The Role of Function-Oriented Rehabilitation</b>	Nadina Kurtanović (Health Institution "Spa Gata" Bihać) Emira Švraka (Cerebral Palsy Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo; University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHAAAS); Ranka Ogurlić (Public Health Institution Health Center Herceg Novi, Montenegro); Anka Vukićević (Health Insurance Fund of Montenegro, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Applied Physiotherapy, Podgorica, Montenegro); Mirela Babajić (Munich Clinic, Center for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Germany)
11:45 -12:00	<b>Pain, Scoliosis and Adolescent Mental Health</b>	Ranka Ogurlić (Public Health Institution Health Center Herceg Novi, Montenegro); Emira Švraka (Cerebral Palsy Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo; University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHAAAS); Anka Vukićević (Health Insurance Fund of Montenegro, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Applied Physiotherapy, Podgorica, Montenegro); Mirela Babajić (Munich Clinic, Center for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Germany); Nadina Kurtanović (Health Institution "Spa Gata" Bihać);
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Manual Therapy Through an Educational Model for Pain Control</b>	Mirela Babajić (Munich Clinic, Center for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Germany); Emira Švraka (Cerebral Palsy Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo; University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Ranka Ogurlić (Public Health Institution Health Center Herceg Novi, Montenegro); Anka Vukićević (Health Insurance Fund of Montenegro, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Applied Physiotherapy, Podgorica, Montenegro); Nadina Kurtanović (Health Institution "Spa Gata" Bihać)
12:15 - 12:30	<b>Artificial Intelligence in Adolescent Mental Health: Prevention and Treatment of Anxiety</b>	Merjem Mujanović-Kriještorac (PhD student, University of Sarajevo - Faculty of Health Studies, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 - 13:45	<b>The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Transforming Mental Health Care</b>	Davor Mucić („Little Prince Treatment Centre“, Copenhagen, Denmark)
13:43 - 14:00	<b>Discussion</b>	



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# Second International Maxillofacial Surgery Symposium Symposium

## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Ass. prof. dr. Dino Dizdarević, DDM, PhD - Clinic for ear, nose and throat diseases with head and neck surgery; Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH


Dr Amer Kubat, DDM, - Clinic for ear, nose and throat diseases with head and neck surgery; Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH

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08:00 - 08:30	<b>Registration</b>	
09:00 - 09:15	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	
09:15 - 09:30	<b>Differential Diagnostic Aspects of Expansive Neck Lesions</b>	Aleksandar Oroz (Clinical Hospital Center Zemun, Belgrade, Serbia)
09:30 - 09:45	<b>Retropharyngeal abscess caused by dentogenic infection</b>	Nadira Imamović (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)
09:45 - 10:00	<b>Nasal Polyposis With Frontal Sinus Invasion: A Topic Review</b>	Amar Hajradinović (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)
10:00 - 10:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Surgical Techniques in Facial Rejuvenation</b>	Tomica Bagatin (Poliklinika Bagatin, Zagreb, Croatia)
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Modern principles in aesthetic surgery of the face, jaw, and neck</b>	Aleksandar Oroz (Clinical Hospital Center Zemun, Belgrade, Serbia)
11:00 - 11:15	<b>Non-invasive procedures in aesthetic reconstruction of the viscerocranium</b>	Majda Topalović (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)
11:15 - 11:45	<b>Discussion and questions</b>	
11:45 - 12:00	<b>Local anesthesia in head and neck surgery</b>	Muhamed Haračić (Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Cantonal Hospital Zenica, Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Dynamic surgical eyelid reconstruction with temporal muscle</b>	Amer Kubat (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)

12:15 - 12:30	<b>Discussion and questions</b>	
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 - 13:45	<b>Virtual surgical planning in maxillofacial surgery/reconstruction</b>	Emil Dediol (Department of Maxillofacial Surgery, University Hospital Dubrava, Zagreb, Croatia)
13:45 - 14:00	<b>Reconstruction of the mandible with a free fibula graft</b>	Dino Dizdarević (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)
14:00 - 14:30	<b>Discussion and questions</b>	
14:30 - 14:45	<b>Postoperative Subcutaneous Emphysema Following Tonsillectomy in a Pediatric Patient: A Case Report and Review of the Literature</b>	Sunita Mehić Fazlić (Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Maxillofacial Surgery, Cantonal Hospital Zenica, Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
14:45 - 15:00	<b>Functional neck dissection in the surgical treatment of regional metastases of malignant tumors of the maxillofacial region</b>	Farah Mašić (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)
15:00 -15:15	<b>Blow-out and Blow-in Orbital Fractures: Comparison of Clinical Features, Surgical Indications, and Complications</b>	Fatima Omerhodžić-Ikanović (Department of maxillofacial surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH)
15:15 - 15:30	<b>Discussion and questions</b>	
15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
16:00 - 16:30	<b>Closing the symposium</b>	



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## **3rd SYMPOSIUM IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES**

### **Symposium**

#### **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Prof. dr Rusmir Baljić, MD, PHD (Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina )

Dr Meliha Hadžović Čengić, MD, Msc (Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

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12:30 - 13:15	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:15 - 13:30	<b>Registration</b>	
13:30 - 13:45	<b>Session opening</b>	
13:45 - 14:30	<p><b>INFECTOLOGY TODAY</b></p> <p><b>Antimicrobial resistance: Where are we now?</b></p> <p><b>The critically ill patient: What every young ID specialist needs to know?</b></p> <p><b>Sepsis 2026: What's New?</b></p>	<p>Rusmir Baljić</p> <p>Dževad Šačić</p> <p>Meliha Hadžović-Čengić</p>
14:30 - 15:30	<p><b>Three-front battle: AIDS, cryptococcal meningoencephalitis and acute renal failure</b></p> <p><b>Recurrent Pseudomonas aeruginosa Sepsis Associated with Vascular Graft Infection After TEVAR: A Case Report</b></p> <p><b>Fulminant Hepatitis B as a Clinical Manifestation of an Exaggerated Immune Response</b></p>	<p>Authors: Amila Muratspahic, Adna Mustedanagic, Aldin Karic, Velida Mulabdic Affiliation: Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p>Authors: Nadir Babahmetović, Ajnur Hadžiahmetović, Saliha Hamzakadić-Topalović, Meliha Hadžović-Čengić, Rusmir Baljić Affiliation: Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo - Clinic for Infectious Diseases, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p>Authors: Ismir Kukić 1, Admira Avdić 2, Admir Ramusović 2, Ahmed Velić 2 Affiliation: 1 Cantonal hospital "Dr Irfan Ljubijankić" Bihac, BiH; 2 Clinic for infectious of Belgrade, Serbia</p>
15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
16:00 - 17:30	<p><b>When Sinusitis Spreads to the Eye: Ten Years of Pediatric Orbital and Periorbital Infections</b></p> <p><b>Secondary Syphilis Mimicking Perianal Cellulitis: A Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenge</b></p>	<p>Authors: Martina Prskalo, Sjetlana Mikulić Affiliation: Department of Pediatrics, University Clinical Hospital Mostar, School of Medicine, University of Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p>Authors: Neira Džino 1, Aldina Alić 2, Barbara Međugorac 3, Sjetlana Mikulić 4 Affiliation: Public Health Institution "Health Center Jablanica", Bosnia and Herzegovina 2, General Hospital Konjic, Bosnia and Herzegovina 3, Croatian Hospital "Dr. fra Mato Nikolic", Nova Bila, Bosnia and Herzegovina 4, Department of Pediatrics, University Clinical Hospital Mostar</p>

**Multiorgan Echinococcosis in a Child: Concurrent Cerebral and Pulmonary Hydatid Disease**

Authors: Neira Džino 1, Aldina Alić 2, Barbara Međugorac 3, Svjetlana Mikulić 4, Zdravko Kuzman 4  
Affiliation: Public Health Institution "Health Center Jablanica", Bosnia and Herzegovina 2, General Hospital Konjic, Bosnia and Herzegovina 3, Croatian Hospital "Dr. fra Mato Nikolic", Nova Bila, Bosnia and Herzegovina 4, Department of Pediatrics, University Clinical Hospital Mostar

**Seasonal Variability and Implementation Patterns of HPV Vaccination in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2025**

Authors: Barbara Međugorac 1, Neira Džino 2, Aldina Alić 3, Svjetlana Mikulić 4  
Affiliation: 1 Croatian Hospital "Dr. fra Mato Nikolic", Nova Bila, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2 Public Health Institution "Health Center Jablanica", Bosnia and Herzegovina, 3 General Hospital Konjic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 4 Department of Pediatrics, University Clinical Hospital Mostar

**Experiences of using nifuroxazide as part of a modified therapeutic protocol in hospitalized patients with CDI in the Northeastern Bosnia region**

Authors: Ervin Alibegović 1, Jasna Rahimić 2  
Affiliation: 1 University Clinical Center Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2 Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Epidemiological Trends of Varicella, Measles, and Scarlet Fever in Preschool Children in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (2018–2025)**

Authors: Aldina Alić 1, Neira Džino 2, Barbara Međugorac 3, Svjetlana Mikulić 4  
Affiliation: 1 General Hospital Konjic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2 Public Health Institution "Health Center Jablanica", Bosnia and Herzegovina, 3 Croatian Hospital "Dr. fra Mato Nikolic", Nova Bila, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 4 Department of Pediatrics, University Clinical Hospital Mostar



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# International Symposium: Intensive Care Medicine Symposium

## Symposium chairs:

Dr. Slavenka Straus & Dr. Adnan Begovic

## Institutional Host:

Clinical Center University of Sarajevo (KCUS)

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## Invitation: "Principles of Modern Intensive Care Units" symposium

The Clinical University Center Sarajevo (KCUS) invites you to an expert-led symposium organized as part of the BHAAAS Days in Sarajevo. This scholarly event brings together professionals to share clinical expertise and insights on the evolution of modern ICUs.

### Key Focus Areas:


- o Knowledge Exchange: Engage in plenary presentations and structured panel discussions.
  - o Strategic Planning: Evaluate methodologies for the organizational structure and clinical advancement of ICUs.
  - o Global & Regional Alignment: Bridge the gap between global best practices and regional healthcare capabilities.
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08:45 - 09:00	<b>Registration</b>	
09:00 - 09:20	<b>Inaugural Address</b>	Prof. Dr. Alen Pilav
09:20 - 09:40	<b>Plenary Lecture I</b>	Prof. Dr. Adnan Begovic
09:40 - 10:00	<b>Plenary Lecture II</b>	Prof. Dr. Slavenka Straus
10:00 - 10:15	<b>Intermission</b>	
10:15 - 10:35	<b>Plenary Lecture III</b>	Prof. Dr. Pedja Kovacevic
10:35 - 10:55	<b>Plenary Lecture IV</b>	Doc. Dr. Vladimir Krajcinovic
10:55 - 11:15	<b>Plenary Lecture V</b>	Doc. Dr. Aida Mujakovic
11:15 - 11:30	<b>Colloquium: Open Faculty Discussion</b>	General Faculty
11:30 - 12:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
12:00 - 12:30	<b>Shock-The Certain Approach</b>	Prof. Dr. Ognjen Gajic
<b>Scientific Abstract Presentations</b>		
12:30 - 12:45	<b>Clinical Efficacy of Early Renal Replacement Therapy (RRT) in Polytrauma Management</b>	Primary Investigators: Belma Kadic, Azra Mukanovic Alihodzic, Edna Curevac, et al.
12:45 - 13:00	<b>Contemporary Pharmacological Strategies for Sedation within Critical Care Environments</b>	Presenting Authors: Hana Muslic, and Asmira Ljuca.
13:00 - 13:15	<b>Management of Electrical Storm in Brugada Syndrome: Anesthetic and Critical Care Protocols</b>	Primary Investigators: Ermina Sitnic-Milanovic, Amira Metic, and Slavenka Straus
13:15 - 13:30	<b>Therapeutic Plasma Exchange Intervention in Hypertriglyceridemia-Induced Acute Pancreatitis</b>	Presenting Authors: Selma Bajat, and Manja Spahalic.
13:30 - 13:45	<b>Concluding Remarks &amp; Peer Discussion</b>	



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**"Molecular Testing in Oncology: Shaping Diagnosis,  
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Special event

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14:00 - 14:10	<b>Opening and Welcome Remarks – BHAAS; Molecular Testing in the Service of Healthcare</b>	
14:10 - 14:20	<b>Molecular Testing in Oncology in the USA</b>	Dr. Gordan Srkalović
14:20 - 14:30	<b>Molecular Testing in Oncology in Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>	Dr. Ermina Iljazović
14:30 - 14:40	<b>Genomic Testing</b>	Dr. Amina Kozarević
14:40 - 15:00	<b>The Role and Opportunities of Health Insurance Funds in the Era of Molecular Medicine</b>	Directors of Health Insurance Funds
15:00 - 15:20	<b>Brief introductions and overview of the current healthcare situation from the perspective of oncology and molecular diagnostics</b>	Representatives of Clinical Centers (KCUS Sarajevo, UKC Tuzla, KB Zenica, University Clinical Hospital Mostar)
15:20 - 16:30	<b>Panel Discussion and Open Forum; Topics for discussion:</b>	
	a) To what extent are we following European and global standards in Bosnia and Herzegovina?	
	b) Reflex testing (diagnostic, prognostic, predictive, therapeutic) in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Do we need standardization at the national level?	
	c) How can we improve the availability of molecular testing and therapy in Bosnia and Herzegovina?	

# Friday

## 5th June 2026

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## **Dermatology and Venereology Symposium Symposium**

### **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Amra Osmančević, MD, PhD (Institute of Clinical Sciences, Sahlgrenska Academy, University of Gothenburg; Region Västra Götaland, Sahlgrenska University Hospital, Gothenburg, Sweden)

Tamara Jovović, MD (Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Nermin Šehić, MD (PZU PMG, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

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08:00 - 08:30	<b>Registration</b>	
08:30 - 08:40	<b>Session opening</b>	
08:40 - 09:00	<b>Beyond the Skin: Cutaneous Signs of Autoimmune Disease</b>	Amra Osmančević, MD, PhD (1. Department of Dermatology and Venereology, Institute of Clinical Sciences, Sahlgrenska Academy, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden 2. Region Västra Götaland, Sahlgrenska University Hospital, Department of Dermatology and Venereology, Gothenburg, Sweden)
09:00 - 09:20	<b>Alopecia Areata: Treatment</b>	Leila Muslibegović, MD (Trondheim Hudlegesenter, Trondheim, Norway)
09:20 - 09:40	<b>Promjene na noktima nastale uticajem spoljašnje sredine i traume / Manipulacije na noktima</b>	Snežana Minić, PhD (1. Clinic of Dermatovenerology, University Clinical Center of Serbia, Belgrade, Serbia 2. Faculty of Medicine, University of Belgrade, Serbia)
09:40 - 10:00	<b>Perianal Lesions</b>	Emir Pinjo, MD (Diakonhjemmetssykehus and Aleris, Oslo, Norway)
10:00 - 10:20	<b>Overview of Negative Pressure Wound Therapy</b>	Nermin Šehić, MD (PZU PMG, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
10:20 - 10:40	<b>Cutaneous adverse effects of systemic oncology therapy</b>	Tamara Jovović, MD (Sarajevo, BiH)
10:40 - 11:00	<b>Discussion and Session Closing</b>	



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# **17th Days of the Bosnian-Herzegovinian American Academy of Arts and Sciences (BHAAAS)**

## **– International Cardiology Congress**

### **Multidisciplinary Innovation in Cardiovascular Care Symposium**

#### **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Jelena Arnautović, DO, FACC, FSCAI, RPVI  
Clinical Assistant Professor, Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Program Director, Cardiovascular Fellowship, Henry Ford Warren  
Medical Director, Women's Health Center, Henry Ford Rochester  
Cardiovascular Consultants – Interventional Cardiology, Henry Ford Health System

Prof. Belma Pojskić, MD, PhD, FESC  
Full Professor, Faculty of Medicine, University of Zenica  
President, Association of Cardiologists of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Elvira Silajdžija, MD, PhD  
Department of Cardiology  
Copenhagen University Hospital (Rigshospitalet / Herlev Hospital),  
Copenhagen, Denmark

Lamija Ferhatbegović, MD, PhD, FESC  
Assistant Professor, Faculty of Medicine, University of Zenica  
Department of Cardiology, Cantonal Hospital Zenica  
Young Ambassador, Heart Failure Association of the ESC  
President, Lipidology Working Group, Association of Cardiologists of Bosnia and Herzegovina

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## Program - In collaboration with the Association of Cardiologists of Bosnia and Herzegovina

08:00 - 08:10	<b>Opening Remarks: Advancing Multidisciplinary Cardiovascular Care in the Era of Precision Medicine</b>	Jelena Arnautović, DO, FACC, FSCAI, RPVI Henry Ford Health System, Michigan, USA
08:15 - 08:30	<b>Role of Echocardiography in Minimally Invasive Cardiac Surgery</b>	Lejla Divović-Mustafić, MD, MSc (Heart Center / Clinic for Cardiovascular Surgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

## Cardiothoracic Surgery and Advanced Heart Failure Therapies

**Moderator: Sanko Pandur, MD, PhD – Director of the Department for Science and Education, University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina**

08:30 - 10:45	<b>From CABG to LVAD to Transplantation: Evolution of Advanced Heart Failure Care,</b>	Damir Kurtagić, MD – University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Minimally Invasive Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery: Outcomes and Contemporary Results</b>	Fatih Ademović, MD – University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Enhanced Recovery After Cardiac Surgery: ICU Outcomes and System Efficiency</b>	Amar Milaimi, MD – University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Minimally Invasive Mitral Valve Repair: Port-Access Techniques and Early Outcomes</b>	Tarik Selimović, MD – University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Establishing a National LVAD Program: Infrastructure and Multidisciplinary Integration</b>	Dino Arapović, MD – University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>First Heart Transplantation in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Clinical Experience and Outcomes</b>	Armin Šljivo, MD – University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Industry Perspectives: Optimization and Clinical Integration</b>	Dunja Domazet, MS BME – Abbott, USA
	<b>Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Programs</b>	Cristina Tita, MD – Henry Ford Health, Detroit, USA

## Cardiomyopathy: From Diagnosis to Targeted Therapy

Moderator: Jelena Arnautović, DO, FACC, FSCAI, RPVI, Henry Ford Health System, Michigan, USA

10:45 - 12:30	<b>Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Cardiomyopathy: Risk Stratification and ICD Decision-Making</b>	Almin Handanagić MD - Cantonal Hospital Bihać, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy: Screening and Early Diagnosis Strategies</b>	Elvira Silajdzija, MD, PhD - Copenhagen University Hospital, Denmark
	<b>Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy: Clinical Red Flags and Diagnostic Pathways</b>	Belma Pojskić, MD, PhD, FESC - Faculty of Medicine, Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Imaging in ATTR-CM: From Suspicion to Definitive Diagnosis</b>	Lamija Ferhatbegović, MD, PhD, FESC - Cantonal Hospital Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Treatment Landscape in ATTR-CM: Current and Emerging Therapies</b>	Elvira Silajdzija, MD, PhD - Copenhagen University Hospital, Denmark
	<b>Acoramidis in Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy (ATTR-CM): Clinical Outcomes and Disease Modification - sponsored by Bayer</b>	Lamija Ferhatbegović, MD, PhD, FESC - Cantonal Hospital Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	

## Transforming Women's Cardiovascular Health

13:30 - 14:30	<b>Heart Centers and Programs for Women: Bare Necessity for Bare Inequalities</b>	Biljana Parapid, MD, PhD, FESC - University of Belgrade, Serbia
	<b>Obesity and Cardiovascular Disease: Risk Factor Control and Contemporary Management</b>	Irena Mitevska Peovska, MD, PhD, FESC - University Cardiology Clinic, Skopje North Macedonia
	<b>Hypertension in Pregnancy: Long-Term Cardiovascular Implications</b>	Vedka Begovic, MD - Henry Ford Health, Michigan, USA
	<b>Cardiovascular Disease in Menopause: Risk Stratification and Management</b>	Sindhu Koshy, MD, FACC, MSCP - Henry Ford Health, Michigan, USA

## Interventional and Structural Cardiology

14:30 - 15:45

### **STEMI Systems of Care in Bosnia and Herzegovina: From Guidelines to Practice**

Alan Jahić, MD, PhD, FESC - ASA Hospital, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

### **Complex PCI and Intravascular Lithotripsy in Calcified Coronary Disease**

Katherine Kunkel, MD, FSCAI - Piedmont Heart Institute, Atlanta, USA

### **The Evolution of TAVI: Global Evidence and Local Realities in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

Nedim Memišević, MD - ASA Hospital, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

### **Multivalve Transcatheter Interventions in High-Risk Patients**

Aladin Altić, MD - Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, USA

### **Advanced Pulmonary Embolism Therapies: Multidisciplinary Management Approach**

Jelena Arnautović, DO, FACC, FSCAI, RPVI - Henry Ford Health System, Michigan, USA

## Innovation in Cardiovascular Medicine

15:45 - 16:30

### **Emerging Therapies in Electrophysiology: New Frontiers in Rhythm Management**

Sohail Hassan, MD, MBA, FACC, FHRS - Henry Ford Health, Michigan, USA

### **Renal Denervation: Current Evidence and Clinical Applications**

Jelena Arnautović, DO, FACC, FSCAI, RPVI - Henry Ford Health System, Michigan, USA

### **Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Cardiovascular Medicine**

Prof. Thomas Lüscher, MD, FRCP, FESC - Royal Brompton & Harefield Hospitals, London, UK / University of Zurich, Switzerland

## Complex Cardiac Cases and Emerging Clinical Insights

16:30 - 17:00

### **Cardiac Critical Care Models in Modern Intensive Care Medicine, Jacobi Medical Center**

Nikola Jovanović, MD - Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, USA

### **Takotsubo Syndrome Mimicking STEMI: A Complex Diagnostic Challenge**

Adela Tatlić-Hurić, MD - General Hospital "Prim. dr Abdulah Nakaš", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

### **Inflammatory Myopericardial Syndromes: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Approach**

Džejla Mahmutović, MD / Nađa Šarić, MD - Cantonal Hospital "Dr. Safet Mujić", Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina



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## **Fourth International Radiology Symposium Symposium**

### **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Emma Pinjic MD, MPH Associate Director Radiology Research, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.

Doc.dr. Fuad Zukić, MD, PhD Head of Radiology Department, KCUS Sarajevo, BiH

Ferida Huković-Čengić MD, PhD Consultant Radiologist Radiology Department Östra Sjukhuset - Sahlgrenska University Hospital  
Gothenburg, Sweden

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08:00 - 08:30		<b>Registration</b>
08:20 - 08:30		<b>Introduction</b>
08:30 - 08:45	<b>Women's Health Updates in Interventional Radiology</b>	Mari Tassarotti, M.D. Instructor in Radiology Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
08:45 - 09:00	<b>PSMA: An Enzyme that Revolutionized Prostate Cancer</b>	Antonella Kovic MD, Staff Doctor – Nuclear Medicine World, Buenos Aires, Argentina
09:00 - 09:15	<b>Imaging Clues and Pitfalls in LI-RADS-M and Tumour in Vein: a practical topic review</b>	Mevlida Avdagić-Karup, Department of Radiology, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Sabina Prevljak, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Fuad Zukić, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Nidžara Karup, Department of Otolaryngology, General Hospital "Prim.dr Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, BiH; Samira Sijahović, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH
09:15 - 09:45	<b>Vanishing Scapula: Progressive Osteolysis of the Scapula and Rib in Gorham - Stout Disease</b>	Vinko Bubić, Department of Radiology, University Hospital Merkur, Zagreb, Croatia; Inga Mandac Smoljanović, Department of Hematology, University Hospital Merkur, Zagreb, Croatia; Paolo Spinnato, Department of Radiology, IRCCS Istituto Ortopedico Rizzoli, Bologna, Italy; Elena Siopis, Department of Radiology, Azienda USL di Bologna, Bologna, Italy; Maja Grubelić Crnčević, Department of Radiology, University Hospital Merkur, Zagreb, Croatia; Lovro Kavur, Department of Radiology, University Hospital Merkur, Zagreb, Croatia; Martin Drinković, Polyclinic Drinković, Zagreb, Croatia; Ivan Jerković, University Department for Forensic Sciences, University of Split, Split, Croatia; Željana Jerković, University Department for Forensic Sciences, University of Split, Split, Croatia; Krešimir Dolić, Department of Radiology, University Hospital of Split, Split, Croatia; Sven Seiwerth, Department of Pathology, University of Zagreb School of Medicine, Zagreb, Croatia; Vinko Vidjak, Department of Radiology, University Hospital Merkur, Zagreb, Croatia
09:45 - 10:00	<b>Significance of Patient Preparation for Planar Skeletal Scintigraphy</b>	Nedžma Osmanović MSc R.T. Faculty of Health Studies University of Sarajevo, BiH; Anesa Resić, ASA Hospital Sarajevo, BiH; Nusret Salkica, Clinical Center of University of Sarajevo, BiH

10:00 - 10:30		<b>Coffee break</b>
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Robustness of Automated AI-Based Segmentations for High-Throughput Radiomic Phenotyping in Glioblastoma</b>	Srdjan Nikolovski, Loyola University Chicago Medical Center, Maywood IL, USA American College of Artificial Intelligence and Medicine, Chicago IL, USA; Faculty of Pharmacy. Educons University, Belgrade, Serbia; Akshaya Aji, Faculty of Medicine, University of Banja Luka, BiH
10:45 - 11:15	<b>Intradural Intramedullary Tumors of the Spine: A Narrative Review</b>	Zulejha Merhemić, General Hospital "Prim. dr. Abdulah Nakaš", Sarajevo, BiH
11:15 - 11:30	<b>Parathyroid SPECT CT Image Quality</b>	Anesa Resić, MSc R.T. ASA Hospital, Sarajevo, BiH; Nedžma Osmanović, Faculty of Health Studies University of Sarajevo, BiH; Nusret Salkica, Clinical Center of University of Sarajevo, BiH
11:30 - 11:45	<b>Incremental Diagnostic Value of Contrast-Enhanced Ultrasound in the Evaluation of Hepatocellular Carcinoma</b>	Davor Ivanić, dr.med. Clinic of Radiology and Nuclear Medicine, University Clinical Center Tuzla, BiH; Ajdin Smajlović, dr.med. Private Radiology Clinic "Dr. Ajdin Smajlović", Sarajevo, BiH; Haris Kurić, dr.med.sci. Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Jasmina Redžepagić, mr.med.sci. Pathology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH
11:45 - 12:00	<b>A Rare Radiological Presentation of Hepatocellular Carcinoma: Suspected Rupture with Subsequent Peritoneal and Omental Seeding</b>	Emin Širbegović, Radiology Clinic, General Hospital Tešanj, BiH; Lejla Zulović, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Marija Drakul, Department of Anatomy, University of East Sarajevo Faculty of Medicine Foča, BiH; Samira Sijahović, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Diagnostic Efficacy of Contrast-Enhanced Digital Mammography Compared with Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Suspicious Breast Lesions Detected on Mammography</b>	Nermana Čemić, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Jasmina Bajrović, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Mirsad Dorić, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH
12:15 - 12:30	<b>Fusion-Guided Biopsy of prostate: How does it Work?</b>	Emir Gušo, Department of Radiology and Interventional Radiology, ASA Hospital Sarajevo, BiH
12:30 - 13:30		<b>Lunch</b>
13:30 - 13:45	<b>Basics of Diffusion and Perfusion in Imaging of Brain Tumors</b>	Suresh K. Mukherji, MD, MBA, FACR, University of Louisville & University of Illinois, Champaign, IL, U.S.A.; Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Rutgers University, NJ, U.S.A.

13:45 - 14:00	<b>Imaging in the Era of Lung Cancer Biomarkers</b>	Milena Petranovic, M.D., Assistant Professor of Radiology, Department of Radiology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
14:00 - 14:15	<b>Impact of Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality on Patient Pain and Anxiety</b>	Oussama Metrouh, Muneeb Ahmed, Jeffery Weinstein Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
14:15 - 14:30	<b>Using Electromagnetic Hand Motion Tracking for Technical Skill Assessment in Image-Guided Procedures</b>	Oussama Metrouh, Muneeb Ahmed, Jeffery Weinstein Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
14:30 - 14:45	<b>What is the most practical imaging clue that should immediately raise suspicion for a mesenteric mass, even when the lesion itself is subtle?</b>	Lutfullah Sari, MD, Instructor in Radiology, Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
14:45 - 15:00	<b>Fibroblast Activated Protein (FAP) PET and Theranostics in Oncology</b>	Shadi Abdar Esfahani, M.D., Assistant Professor of Radiology Department of Radiology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
15:00 - 15:30	<b>Vascular Anomalies Imaging and Diagnosis</b>	Raja Shaikh, M.D. Assistant Professor of Radiology, Department of Radiology, Radiology Department, Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
16:00 - 16:15	<b>Soft Tissue Masses: A Primer for Radiologists</b>	Edgar Leonardo Martinez Salazar, M.D. Instructor in Radiology, Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
16:15 - 16:45	<b>Water Exchange MRI: A Window into Aquaporin and Glymphatic Function</b>	David C. Alsop, Ph.D. Professor of Radiology, Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
16:45 - 17:00	<b>Hospital Volume of TARE improves survival in Early-Stage HCC</b>	Zohaa Faiz, Victor Novack, Diana Dinh, Jeffrey Weinstein, Muneeb Ahmed, Ammar Sarwar Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
17:00 - 17:15	<b>Rethinking Response Assessment in Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma: Size vs Enhancement After Yttrium-90 Radioembolization</b>	Mahmoud Odeh, Katja De. Paepe, Charissa Kim, Diana Dinh, Jeffery Weinstein, Muneeb Ahmed, Ammar Sarwar Department of Radiology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA, U.S.A.
17:15 - 17:30	<b>Congenital Thoracic Vascular Anomalies: Imaging Patterns and Clinical Relevance</b>	Martina Kramar Kraljević, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH; Fuad Zukić, Radiology Clinic, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, BiH



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# International Symposium on Vascular Medicine Symposium

## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Muhamed Djedović (University of Sarajevo-Faculty of Medicine, General Hospital "Prim.dr. "Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHAAAS)

Amir Arnautović (Clinic for Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, University Clinic Duesseldorf, Germany)

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08:00 - 10:30	<b>Registration</b>	
10:30 - 10:50	<b>Direct Ischemic Postconditioning After Carotid Endarterectomy in the Prevention of Postoperative Cerebral Ischemic Complications -Observational Case-Control Study</b>	Nenad Ilijevski (Institute for Cardiovascular Diseases "Dedinje"; Clinic for Vascular Surgery, Belgrade, Serbia; Faculty of Medicine, University of Belgrade, Serbia)
10:50 - 11:10	<b>Topical Antimicrobial Treatment in Wound Care: Bridging in-vitro Evidence to Clinical Practice using Translational Research</b>	Julian-Dario Rembe (University Hospital Duesseldorf (UKD); Heinrich-Heine-University Duesseldorf (HHU); Department for Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, Duesseldorf, Germany)
11:10 - 11:30	<b>Diosmin as Adjunct to Anticoagulation in Acute Proximal Deep Vein Thrombosis: Effects on Inflammation, Venous Recanalization, Quality of Life, and Post-Thrombotic Syndrome Severity</b>	Dragan Nikolić (University Clinical Center of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia); Janko Pasternak (University Clinical Center of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia); Vladimir Manojlović (University Clinical Center of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia); Slavko Budinski (University Clinical Center of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia); Marijana Basta Nikolić (University Clinical Center of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia); Nikola Batinić (University Clinical Center of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia)
11:30 - 11:40	<b>Cervical Debranching: Regional versus General Anesthesia for Carotid-Subclavian Bypass. A Single Center Experience</b>	Aldin Mehmedović (Vascular Surgery Department, Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Nikolaos Tsilimparis (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Konstantinos Stavroulakis (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Barbara Rantner (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Carlota Fernandez Prendes (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Ryan Gouveia E Melo (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Jan-Michael Abicht (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany); Jan Stana (Ludwig Maximilian University Hospital, Munich, Germany)
11:50 - 12:10	<b>Pushing the Limits of EVAR: Case-Based Insights into Off-IFU Strategies for Complex Infrarenal Aortic Anatomy</b>	Amir Arnautović (Department of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, University Hospital Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf, Germany)

12:10 - 12:20	<b>The Munich Valsalva Implantation Technique (MuVIT) for Cardiac Output Reduction During TEVAR: Vena Cava Occlusion With the Valsalva Maneuver</b>	Aldin Mehmedović (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Nikolaos Tsilimparis (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Jan-Michel Abicht (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Jan Stana (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Nikolaos Konstantinou (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Barbara Rantner (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Ramin Banafsche (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany); Carlota Fernandez Prendes (Department of Vascular Surgery, University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany)
12:20 - 12:30	<b>Hybrid Management of Aberrant Right Subclavian Artery Aneurysms: A Narrative Review with Two Case Illustrations</b>	Amir Arnautović (Department of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, University Hospital Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf, Germany)
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 - 13:50	<b>Endovascular Treatment of the Aortic Arch and what lies before it</b>	Mario Leščan (Department of Cardiovascular Surgery, University Hospital Freiburg, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany)
13:50 - 14:00	<b>Clinical Significance of Elevated D-Dimer and Coagulation Abnormalities in Primary Care: A One-Year Retrospective Analysis</b>	Lamija Terzić (Community Health Care Centre Bugojno, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Lejla Terzić (Community Health Care Centre Bugojno, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
14:00 - 14:10	<b>Treatment popliteal vein aneurysms</b>	Muhamed Djedović (Medical Faculty, University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; General Hospital "Prim.dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Sumeja Bandic Trnka (General Hospital "Prim.dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Amina Osmanagić (Clinic for diseases of the heart, blood vessels and rheumatism, Department of Angiology, Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Muris Bečirčić (Clinical Center University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Radiology, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina); Samed Djedović (Medical Institute Bayer, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

14:10 - 14:20	<b>Development of Endovascular Surgery in Resource-Limited Settings: Experience of a Vascular Surgeon</b>	Srdjan Rađanović (University hospital Foca); Nikola Jagić (University hospital Foca); Radmil Marić (University hospital Foca); Dalibor Potpara (University hospital Foca)
14:20 - 14:30	<b>Asymptomatic, Atypical Deep Vein Thrombosis, Unprovoked (?): A Case Report</b>	Mirza Kadić (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Heart, Blood Vessel and Rheumatic Diseases, Department of Angiology, Sarajevo , Bosna and Herzegovina); Amina Osmanagić (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Heart, Blood Vessel and Rheumatic Diseases, Department of Angiology, Sarajevo , Bosna and Herzegovina); Azra Kućehajić Pošković (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Heart, Blood Vessel and Rheumatic Diseases, Department of Angiology, Sarajevo , Bosna and Herzegovina); Muris Bečirčić (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Radiology , Sarajevo, Bosna and Herzegovina); Muhamed Djedović (General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosna and Herzegovina)
14:30 - 14:40	<b>Multidisciplinary Approach to an Angiological Patient with Acute Vascular Event: A Case Report</b>	Amina Osmanagić (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Heart, Blood Vessel and Rheumatic Diseases, Department of Angiology, Sarajevo , Bosna and Herzegovina); Azra Kurćehajić Pošković (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Heart, Blood Vessel and Rheumatic Diseases, Department of Angiology, Sarajevo , Bosna and Herzegovina); Mirza Kadić (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Heart, Blood Vessel and Rheumatic Diseases, Department of Angiology, Sarajevo , Bosna and Herzegovina); Muris Bečirčić (Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Clinic of Radiology, Sarajevo, Bosna and Herzegovina); Muhamed Djedović (Medical Faculty, University of Sarajevo, Bosna and Herzegovina General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosna and Herzegovina)

PRESENTATION  
POSTER

**A woman with PAES:  
A Case report**

Sumeja Bandic Trnka (General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina);  
Haris Vranić (General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Sarajevo Medical School, University Sarajevo School of Science and Technology, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

**Quadruple Surgical Reconstruction  
in a Patient with Arterial  
Polyaneurysmal Disease:  
A Case Report**

Sumeja Bandic Trnka (General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina);  
Semina Bureković (General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina);  
Dragan Totić (General Hospital "Prim. Dr. Abdulah Nakas", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Sarajevo Medical School, University Sarajevo School of Science and Technology, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

**Acute Mesenteric Ischaemia Caused  
by Superior Mesenteric Vein  
Thrombosis : A Case Report**

Pejana Rastović (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Surgery, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina; University of Mostar, School of Medicine, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  
Vedran Markotić (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Clinical Radiology, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina; University of Mostar, School of Medicine, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  
Ante Skoko (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Surgery, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  
Martin Kajić (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Surgery, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  
Dragan Karan (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Pathology, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina; University of Mostar, School of Medicine, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  
Bruno Bundić (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Surgery, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  
Boris Opančar (University Clinical Hospital Mostar, Department of Surgery, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

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Hotel Movenpick (Bristol)  
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# **17. International Symposium in Neurosurgery and Spine Surgery Joint Meeting with Association of Neurosurgeons in BiH - UNUBIH, World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies - WFNS and Association of Orthopedists and Traumatologists in Bosnia and Herzegovina - UOTBIH Symposium**

## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Ibrahim Omerhodžić, chair (Sarajevo, BiH/BHAAAS)  
Almir Džurlić, co-chair (Sarajevo, BiH/UNUBIH)  
Kenan Arnautović, honorary-chair (Memphis, USA/WFNS/BHAAAS)

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## **Brief description, including intended audience:**

One-day symposium with an emphasis on contemporary information in neurosurgery and spine surgery

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## **Target audience:**

This symposium is designed for neurosurgeons, orthopedic spine surgeons, neurologists, neuroradiologists, endocrinologists, physiatrists, and residents in neurosurgery and related specialties. It is also open to medical students, health sciences students, and all healthcare professionals with an interest in neuro and spine disciplines.

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08:00 - 08:05	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Ibrahim Omerhodžić (Sarajevo/UNUBiH)
08:05 - 08:10	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Amina Valjevac (Sarajevo/Medical Faculty, Dean)
08:10 - 08:15	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Kenan Arnautović (Memphis/WFNS/BHAAAS)

## Neuro Session I

**Moderators: R. Skomorac, S. Sharif, M. Hodžić**

08:20 - 08:25	<b>Introduction of Keynote speakers</b>	Kenan Arnautović (President electef of WFNS, USA)
08:25 - 08:40	<b>Microsurgical Management of Pontine Gliomas</b>	Uğur Türe (Honorary president of WFNS, Turkey)
08:40 - 09:05	<b>Syringe port surgery for brain lesions</b>	Salman Sharif (WFNS training Centeters accreditation, Karachi, Pakistan)
09:05 - 09:20	<b>Endoscopic supracerebellar -infratentorial approach in prone position with head retroflexion (anticoncorde) to pineal region lesions</b>	Roman Bošnjak (Slovenia)
09:20 - 09:35	<b>Inflamation Driven Mechanisms in Neurosurgical Injury and Repair</b>	Amina Valjevac (Dean of the Faculty od Medicine Universtiy of Sarajevo, BiH)
09:35 - 09:50	<b>Primary Intraosseous Spehnoorbital Meningiomas</b>	Kenan Arnautović (President electef of WFNS, USA)
09:50 - 10:05	<b>The hydrostatic features of CSF</b>	Miroslav Vukić (Croatia)
10:05 - 10:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	

## Neuro Session II

Moderators: U. Türe, A. Džurlić, B. Splavski

10:30 - 10:45	<b>Neurosurgery Training and Education in Australia</b>	Asim Mujić (Australia)
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Contemporary concepts of moderate traumatic brain injury management</b>	Bruno Splavski, Boris Božić (Croatia)
11:00 - 11:15	<b>Manifestations of pilocytic astrocytoma / Is the tumor benign?</b>	Mirsad Hodžić (BiH)
11:15 - 11:30	<b>Middle Meningeal Artery Embolization for the Treatment of Chronic Subdural Hematoma: Results from a 300- Patient Single-Center Series</b>	Adisa Kršumović (Germany)
11:30 - 11:45	<b>MR-Venography-Based Anterior Interhemispheric Transcallosal -Transforaminal Approach to Colloid Cysts of the Third ventricle</b>	Uğur Türe (Honorary president of WFNS, Turkey)
11:45 - 12:00	<b>Tackling challenging skull base lesions- a single surgeon experience</b>	Mirza Moranjković (BiH)
12:00 - 12:15	<b>The Dawn of Computational Neurosurgery: Artificial Intelligence Applications in Augmented Reality and Robotics</b>	Mirza Pojskić (Germany)
12:15 - 12:30	<b>Beyond the Electrode: Building Systems and Surgeons in Functional Neurosurgery</b>	Fadi Almahariq (Croatia)
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch (24th UNUBiH Assembly annual meeting)</b>	

## Ortho-Neuro Spine Session

Moderators: E. Karaiković, O. Yaman, M. Bišćević

13:30 - 13:45	<b>Neurosurgery Training and Education in Australia</b>	Onur Yaman (Turkey)
13:45 - 13:55	<b>Spine tumor consensus</b>	Salman Sharif (WFNS training Centeters accreditation, Karachi, Pakistan)
13:55 - 14:05	<b>Interventional pain management with thermal denervation</b>	Munther Sabarini (Germany)
14:05 - 14:15	<b>Kyphoplasty in treatment of osteoporotic vertebral compression fractures</b>	Prashant Adhikari (Nepal)

14:15 - 14:25	<b>Complex spinal surgical procedures - technical notes and cases review</b>	Asim Mujić, Jens Peters Willke (Australia)
14:25 - 14:35	<b>Pediatric cervical spine trauma: A Rare Case of Multilevel Cervical Spine Fractures with a systematic literature review (ZOOM LECTURE)</b>	Mahir Jasarević, Asmir Hrustić, Eldin Karaiković, Elvir Atić (BiH)
14:35 - 14:45	<b>Infections of spine</b>	Zulejha Merhemić (BiH)
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15:25 - 15:35	<b>The role of hybrid surgery in cervical spine</b>	Miroslav Vukić (Croatia)

## Neuro III Session

Moderators: M. Vukić, B. Splavski, A. Mujić

15:35 - 15:45	<b>Surgical treatment of the cervical spine at the Vaso Ćuković Special Hospital in Risano</b>	Vlado Popović (Montenegro)
15:45 - 15:55	<b>Severe Suicidal Traumatic Brain Injury Caused by a Captive Bolt Gun: A Case Report with Prehospital and In-Hospital Management</b>	Huremović Mirza, Begagić Emir, Hakija Bečulić (BiH)
15:55 - 16:05	<b>Surgical aspects of vagus nerve stimulation in drug-resistant epilepsy: a case series and initial experience</b>	Salko Zahirović, Elma Suljagić-Ljubović, Emina Vukas, Admir Mehičević, Ibrahim Omerhodžić (BiH)
16:05 - 16:15	<b>Prognostic Relevance of Temporal Muscle Thickness in Intracranial Meningioma Surgery</b>	Tomislava Tretinjak, Dario Mužević, Irina Bagić, Nikolina Šilješ (Croatia)
16:15 - 16:25	<b>Unilateral decompression and lumbar instrumentation for selected degenerative pathologies</b>	Mirza Moranjkic; Adnan Čičkušić (BiH)

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16:25 - 16:30

**Discussion**

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16:30 - 18:00

**Spinal workshop for all participants**

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18:00 - 18:10

**Closing remarks**

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19:00 - 22:00

**Conference dinner**

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# **17-TH Days of BHAAAS in BiH**

## **International Symposium on Orthopaedics and MSK Trauma: "MEETING OF THE MINDS"**

### **Symposium**

#### **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Symposium directors:

BHAAAS: Eldin Karaiković (Chicago, USA, BHAAAS)

AOTBH president: Mirza Bišćević (Sarajevo)

Local Hosts: Makí Grle (Mostar, BiH), Mehmed Jamakosmanović (Sarajevo, BiH), Mahir Jašarević (Tuzla, BiH);


Attendees: Orthopaedic and trauma surgeons, PM&R, students, nurses, physical therapists, and all medical professionals involved in orthopaedic surgery and trauma

After lunch, please move to room Holiday for Ortho-Neuro Spine Session

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08:00 - 08:30

**Registration**

08:45 - 09:00

**Opening Remarks**

Eldin Karaiković (Chicago, USA) BHAAAS  
Mirza Biščević (Sarajevo) President, Association  
of Orthopedics and Traumatologists of Bosnia  
and Herzegovina

## POLYTRAUMA APPROACH

09:00 - 09:20

**Polytrauma in orthopaedic  
(ZOOM LECTURE)**

Giulio Maccauro, Catholic university of Rome; Gemelli  
Hospital, Roma, Italy

09:20 - 09:35

**Damage Control in Polytrauma  
Patients-local experience**

Adnan Papović, Department of Orthopaedics and  
Traumatology, University Clinical Center, Sarajevo, BiH

09:35 - 09:50

**Early Appropriate Care in  
Polytraumatized Patients**

Mahir Jasarevic, Mirza Avdic, Alen Kameric,  
Vedad Salkovic, Avdo Kurtovic  
Clinic for orthopaedic and traumatology, University Clinical  
Centre Tuzla, BiH

09:50 - 10:00

**Discussion and case presentations**

10:00 - 10:30

**Coffee Break**

## TKA vs PARTIAL TKA vs OSTEOTOMY IN TREATMENT OF KNEE OSTEOARTHRITIS

10:30 - 10:50

**TKA vs partial vs.  
osteotomies (ZOOM)**

Joseph Karam, University of Illinois, Department of  
orthopaedics, Chicago, USA

10:50 - 11:10

**Treatment of advanced knee  
osteoarthritis in younger patients: A  
comparison of outcomes between high  
tibial valgus osteotomy and TKA**

Maki Grle, Dominik Herceg, University Clinical  
Hospital Mostar, Mostar, BiH

11:10 - 11:30

**Surgical treatment of gonarthrosis  
- over 20 years of personal  
experience**

Slavko Manojlović,  
ZU "Dr Manojlović", Banja Luka, BiH

11:30 - 11:40

**Discussion and case presentations**

## State of the Art Presentation

11:40 - 12:00	<b>Orthobiologics: past, present and future</b>	Adi Zubović, Dublin, Ireland
12:00 - 12:20	<b>Primary THR in cases of coxarthrosis with high luxation of the hip</b>	Slavko Manojlović ZU "Dr Manojlović", Banja Luka, BiH
12:20 - 12:30		<b>Discussion</b>
12:30 - 13:30		<b>Lunch</b>

## Ortho-Neuro Spine Session (\*room Holiday\*)

Moderators: E. Karaiković, O. Yaman, M. Bišćević

13:30 - 13:45	<b>Adult Degenerative Scoliosis + Book presentation</b>	Onur Yaman (Turkey)
13:45 - 13:55	<b>Interventional pain management with thermal denervation</b>	Munther Sabarini (Germany)
13:55 - 14:05	<b>Kyphoplasty in treatment of osteoporotic vertebral compression fractures</b>	Prashant Adhikari (Nepal)
14:05 - 14:15	<b>Complex spinal surgical procedures - technical notes and cases review</b>	Asim Mujic, Jens Peters Willke (Australia)
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## PEDIATRICS – PES EQUINOVARUS

14:30 - 14:50	<b>Club foot - current concepts (ZOOM)</b>	John Grayhack, Robert H. Lourie Children's Hospital, Chicago, USA
14:50 - 15:05	<b>Club foot (treatment, results and dilemmas) - local experience</b>	Mehmed Jamakosmanović Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, University Clinical Center, Sarajevo, BiH
15:05 - 15:20	<b>Clubfoot as a predictor of developmental dysplasia of the hip</b>	Svemir Čustović Clinic for orthopaedic and traumatology, University Clinical Centre Tuzla, BiH
15:20 - 15:30	<b>Discussion and case presentations</b>	
15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffe break</b>	

## INJURIES OF THE KNEE

16:00 - 16:20	<b>ACL Reconstruction 2026: When to add LET or ALL (ZOOM LECTURE)</b>	Mark Hutchinson, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Illinois, Chicago, USA
16:20 - 16:35	<b>ACL Reconstruction - Local experience (ZOOM LECTURE)</b>	Semin Becirbegović, Hasan Tanović, Senad Maksić, Senail Sivro, ORTHOS Orthopaedic and Trauma Outpatient Surgical Center, Sarajevo, BiH
16:35 - 16:50	<b>Management of acute osteochondral patellar fracture</b>	Mešanović Mirza, Mešanović Edin, Kešetović Adnan, Clinic for orthopaedic and traumatology, University Clinical Centre Tuzla, BiH
16:50 - 17:00	<b>Discussion and case presentations</b>	

## ORTHOPAEDIC RESIDENT PRESENTATIONS

(residents must be present in person to receive the award for the best presentations):  
5 min (1st price 300 KM, 2nd price 200 KM, 3rd price 100 KM)

17:00 - 17:08	<b>Predictors of early femoral stem subsidence after cementless total hip arthroplasty: Role of stem size and femoral morphology</b>	Dzeko Alija, General hospital "Prim. dr. Abdulah Nakaš" Sarajevo, BiH
17:10 - 17:18	<b>Degenerative Meniscal Disease</b>	Harun Đulan, Faruk Hodžić, Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Cantonal Hospital Zenica, BiH
17:20 - 17:28	<b>Smart prothetits and new materials in orthoepadics</b>	Hajrudin Pašalić, University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Sarajevo, BiH

17:30 - 17:38	<b>Outcomes of complex total knee arthroplasty – A series of challenging case</b>	Avdo Kurtović, Adnan Kešetović, Clinic of Orthopaedic and Traumatology, University Clinical Centre Tuzla, BiH
17:40 - 17:48	<b>Biomechanics of PFN and Gamma nail system in the treatment of pertrochanteric femoral fractures</b>	Benjamin Šehić, General hospital "Prim. dr. Abdulah Nakaš" Sarajevo, BiH
17:50 - 17:58	<b>Role of Biology and Cell Therapies in Fracture Nonunion</b>	Kenan Čustović, Clinic of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, University Clinical Centre Tuzla, BiH
18:00 - 18:08	<b>Early weight bearing after intramedullary nailing of tibial shaft fractures.</b>	Alen Arnautović, General hospital "Prim. dr. Abdulah Nakaš" Sarajevo, BiH
18:10 - 18:18	<b>3d printing and personalized implants in modern orthopedic</b>	Hajrudin Pašalić, University Clinical Center Sarajevo, Sarajevo, BiH
18:20 - 18:28	<b>Effects of postoperative cryotherapy and early rehabilitation of functional recovery after total knee arthroplasty</b>	Namik Selimović, General hospital "Prim. dr. Abdulah Nakaš" Sarajevo, BiH
18:30 - 18:40	<b>Best Resident Presentation Awards</b>	
18:40 - 18:50	<b>Closing remarks</b>	



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## **Hepatology symposium** **Symposium**


### **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Amila Mehmedović - Ass. Prof. (Gastroenterohepatology Clinic, Cilinal Center University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

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# The Sixth International Ophthalmology Symposium Innovations in Ophthalmology –A New Era with Ophthalmic Radiology School Program



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**Opening remarks**

## Session 1 PORTAL HYPERTENSION - Diagnostics and Vascular Challenges

Moderators: Amila Mehmedović, Lejla Šaranović, Majda Mehmedović

08:20 - 08:40

**Baveno VIII, What's New?**

Nerma Čustović (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

08:40 - 09:00

**Challenges in Vascular Endohepatology**

Jan Drnovšek (Slovenia)

09:00-09:20

**PVSD: When to Suspect, How to Diagnose**

Pierre-Emmanuel Rautou (France)

09:20- 09:40

**The Vacular Labyrinth of the Liver: An Integrated Approach to Portal Vein Thrombosis an PSVD in the Era of Baveno VII**

Goran Bokan (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

09:40 - 10:00

**Current Perspectives on Hepatocellular Carcinoma**

Hamdi Levent Dogany (Turkiye)

10:00 - 10:10

**Discussion**

10:10 - 10:30

**Coffee break**

## Session 2 PORTAL HYPERTENSION – Therapeutic Strategies and Advanced Care

Moderators: Amra Puhalović, Aida Pilav, Predrag Jovanović

10:30 - 10:50	<b>Anticoagulation in Portal Vein Thrombosis – Optimizing Strategies Across Diverse Clinical Settings</b>	Elena Curakova (North Macedonia)
10:50 - 11:10	<b>Management of Esophageal Varices in Cirrhosis From Guidelines to Clinical Decision-Making: Experiences from a Comprehensive Care Center in Germany</b>	Ademir Turšić (Germany)
11:10 - 11:30	<b>When Endoscopy Fails: Endovascular Treatment of Upper GI Bleeding</b>	Muris Bečirčić (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
11:30 - 11:50	<b>Liver Transplantation in Patients With Vascular Liver Diseases and PSVD</b>	Tatjana Kanižaj-Filipec (Croatia)
11:50 - 12:10	<b>Live Donor Liver Transplantation in Portal Vein Thrombosis</b>	Yalcin Polat (Turkiye)
12:10 - 12:30	<b>Multiparetic Ultrasound in the Early Detection of Hepatocellular Carcinoma</b>	Ajdin Smajlović (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
12:30 - 12:40	<b>Discussion</b>	
12:40 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	

## Session 3 A Multidisciplinary Approach to Patients with Vascular Liver Diseases (hepatologist, interventional radiologist, pathologist) - ROUND TABLE

14:00	<b>ASBTRACTS</b> <b>Portal thrombosis - a rare postoperative complication after appendectomy</b>	Dženana Hožić-Salčin, Mirza Prijjić, Nadža Zubčević, Amila Mehmedović, Amra Puhalović, Aida Pilav, Nerma Čustović, Adela Sinančević, Mak Čampara
	<b>Quantification of sarcopenia using computed tomography - derived psoas muscle density in patients with chronic liver disease</b>	Melika Bukvić, Aida Hasić-Emšo, Lejla Milišić, Amila Mehmedović, Amra Skopljak-Beganović

**Interventional radiology -  
cornerstone in treating portal  
hypertension complications**

Nerma Čustović, Muris Bečirčić, Mirza Prijjić, Mak Čampara,  
Nadža Zubčević, Amila Mehmedović, Amra Puhalović,  
Aida Pilav, Adela Sinančević, Dženana Hodžić-Salčin

**Metastatic liver disease in pancreatic  
cancer –Therapeutic options**

Goran Bokan, Zoran Mavija

**The Silent Progression of MASLD  
(Metabolic dysfunction - associated  
steatotic liver disease) A Case of  
Advanced Cirrhosis Detected After  
Subtle Laboratory Abnormality**

Naida Muratović

## CLOSING REMARKS



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# International Symposium in Pulmonary Medicine Symposium

## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**


Prof. dr sci. med. Belma Paralija (Clinic of Lung Diseases and TB, Clinical Centre of University Sarajevo, Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)


Mr sci. dr. Jasmina Mustafić Pandžić (Clinic of Lung Diseases and TB, Clinical Centre of University Sarajevo, Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

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# International Symposium in Pulmonary Medicine Program



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**Registration**

08:30 - 08:35

**Opening Remarks**

## Session 1 – MEDICALLY CHALLENGING CASES PRESENTATIONS

08:35 - 09:05

**MICROPLASTICS AND THEIR  
IMPACT ON THE LUNGS**

Belma Paralija, Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Centre of University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

09:05 - 09:20

**OVERLAP OF VAPING -  
ASSOCIATED LUNG INJURY  
(EVALI) AND CYSTIC LUNG  
DISEASE: A CASE OF  
PULMONARY LANGERHANS  
CELL HISTIOCYTOSIS**

Adnan Turohan(1), Belma Paralija(2, 3), Irma Sladić(2), Jasmina Mustafić-Pandžić(2,3)  
(1)Health Care Center of Canton Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, (2)Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Center of University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, (3)Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo

09:20 - 09:35

**ATYPICAL RADIOGRAPHIC  
PRESENTATION OF LUNG CANCER**

Elida Turkušić(1), Emir Čokić (2)  
(1)Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Centre of University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina;  
(2)General Hospital "Prim. dr Abdulah Nakaš", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

09:35 - 09:50

**PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS  
FOLLOWING BIOLOGICAL  
THERAPY IN A PATIENT WITH  
CROHN'S DISEASE**

Belma Paralija (1,2), Danina Dohranović-Tafro(1), Lejla Metiljević(1)  
(1) Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Centre of University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina;  
(2) Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo, BiH)

09:50 - 10:05

**LYMPHANGIOLEIOMYOMATOSIS  
PRESENTING AS ACUTE  
POSTOPERATIVE RESPIRATORY  
FAILURE – A CASE REPORT**

Adnan Turohan (1), Irma Sladić (2), Belma Paralija (2,3)  
Jasmina Mustafić-Pandžić (2,3)  
(1)Health Care Center of Canton Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; (2)Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Center of University Sarajevo;  
(3) Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

10:05 - 10:30

**Coffee break**

10:30 - 10:45

**BEYOND TUBERCULOSIS:  
A CASE OF PULMONARY  
INFECTION WITH  
MYCOBACTERIUM MALMOENSE**

Arneta Jelić-Hamidović , Danina Dohranović-Tafro, Elna Biber, Majda Kačamaković-Petrović  
Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Centre of University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

10:45 - 11:00	<b>SEVERE MULTIORGAN INVOLVEMENT IN AN ADULT WITH BRUTONS AGAMAGLOBULINEMIA</b>	Jasmina Mustafić-Pandžić, Clinic of Lung Diseases and Tuberculosis, Clinical Centre of University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Faculty of Medicine, University Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
11:00 - 11:30	<b>INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS FOR PREVENTION OF ACUTE RESPIRATORY FAILURE DUE TO COMMUNITY-ACQUIRED PNEUMONIA</b>	Emir Festic, Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine, Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, FL, USA
11:30 - 11:45	<b>OLIGOMETASTATIC NON-SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER: OUTCOMES OF MULTIMODAL TREATMENT IN A SERIE OF 40 PATIENTS</b>	Velibor Simetić, University Clinical Centre of the Republic of Srpska, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faculty of Medicine of the University of Banja Luka)
11:45 - 12:30	<b>Discussion and closing remarks</b>	
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	



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# International Plastic Surgery Symposium Symposium


## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Mahira Tanović MD, American Board of Plastic, Reconstructive and Hand Surgery, NY, USA

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**Session opening**

## Session 1

08:40 - 08:55

**Endoscopic Facelift: Critical  
Appraisal of Value and  
Limitations of Available Methods**

Ali Ghanem, London, UK

08:55 - 09:10

**Reconstructive  
Septo-Rhinoplasty  
for Lip Lift Deformity**

Sami Alhasan, London, UK

09:10 - 09:25

**Next Generation Aesthetic  
Medicine: Precision  
Biostimulation**

Sabika Karem, London, UK

09:25 - 09:40

**Surgical and Nonsurgical  
Treatment of Burns**

Zlatan Ibradžić, London, UK

09:40 - 09:55

**Bioactive Molecules & Energy  
Synergy Tissue**

George Christopoulos, London, UK

09:55 - 10:10

**Coffee break**

## Session 2

10:10 - 10:25

**Safety in Longevity Medicine:  
Navigating Between Evidence  
-Based Practice and Online Trends**

Mahmoud ElKhouly, London, UK

10:25 - 10:40

**Risk Management in Plastic  
Surgery: Practice SAFE  
System for Body Contouring**

Akhmed Rakhimov, Moscow, Russia

10:45 - 10:55	<b>The Surgical-Anesthetic Partnership: Advancing Minimally Invasive Anesthesia</b>	Anadi Begic, Oslo, Norway
10:55 - 11:10	<b>The Art of Combination in Esthetic Facial Surgery</b>	Sofia Abdulaeva, Moscow, Russia
11:10 - 11:25	<b>My Experience with Piezo Rhinoplasty: Success and Headaches</b>	Adnan Zečo, Sarajevo, BiH
11:25 - 11:40	<b>Telomeres Measuring Exact Biological Age is Used as Biometric Tool in Clinical Practice to Measure Clinical and Lifestyle Input Outcomes</b>	Sam Van Eeden, Dublin, Ireland
11:40 - 11:55	<b>Sami's Stitch for Crooked Nose</b>	Sami Alhasan, London, UK
11:55 - 12:55	<b>Lunch</b>	

### Session 3

12:55 - 13:10	<b>Fat Grafting in Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery of the Breast</b>	Viacheslav Vasilyev, Moscow, Russia
13:10 - 13:25	<b>Lessons from the North: Breast Reconstruction in Telemark, Norway</b>	Anadi Begic, Oslo, Norway
13:25 - 13:40	<b>PRP and Fat in Regenerative Aesthetic Practice</b>	Mahira Tanović, NY, USA
13:40 - 13:55	<b>Menopause Unfiltered: Breaking the Silence on Hormonal Aging and Redefining Skin Longevity</b>	Mahmoud ElKhouly, London, UK
13:55 - 14:10	<b>Piezo Rhinoplasty vs. Standard Rhinoplasty: Personal Experiences</b>	Nikola Baroš, Banja Luka, BiH
14:10 - 14:25	<b>Adding Lasers to Finesse Facial Esthetic Surgery: Wavelengths and Relevant Protocols</b>	Ali Ghanem, London, UK

14:25 - 14:40	<b>Comprehensive Midface Rejuvenation: Combining Lower Blepharoplasty, Mid-Cheek Lift, Autologous Fat Transfer and Nanofat-Assisted Microneedling</b>	Musfaha Burgić, Tuzla, BiH
14:40 - 14:55	<b>Coffee break</b>	

## Session 4

14:55 - 15:10	<b>Safe Body Sculpting: Technique, Strategy and Evidence-Based Safety Limits</b>	Akhmed Rakhimov, Moscow, Russia
15:10 - 15:25	<b>Breast Reduction: How to Choose the Right Patients and Deal with Disappointments</b>	Goran Obradović, Sarajevo, BiH
15:25 - 15:40	<b>Critical Analysis of Outcomes and Complication Management Using Motiva Implants</b>	Zuhra Memić, Belgrade, Serbia
15:40 - 15:55	<b>Clinical experience with calcium Hydroxyapatite (CaHA) in facial rejuvenation: Observation from private esthetic practice</b>	Omar Čvorak, Sarajevo, BiH
15:55 - 16:10	<b>Integrated Microfat and nano fat Grafting for Lower eyelid Rejuvenation and midface Volumization: Clinical outcomes and safety</b>	Mufid Burgić, Tuzla, BiH
16:10 - 16:25	<b>Case Presentation: Facelift</b>	Orhan Aginčić, Sarajevo, BiH

## Closing session

16:25 - 16:40	<b>Breast Reconstruction and Regeneration Through Time: Early History, Modern Innovations and Future Possibilities</b>	Uros Ahcan, Ljubljana, Slovenia
16:40 - 16:55	<b>Hybrid Breast Augmentation, Regeneration and Optimization</b>	Siniša Kojić, Belgrade, Serbia
16:55 - 17:10	<b>Stem Cell-Based Treatments in Combination with HA to Correct Deep Lines and Reverse Ageing Signs of the Forehead</b>	Sam Van Eeden, Dublin, Ireland

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17:10 - 17:25	<b>How to Manage Patients with Excessive Volume After Facial Fat Grafting</b>	Viacheslav Vasilyev, Moscow, Russia
17:25 - 17:40	<b>Male Intimate Optimization as a Marker of Systemic Vitality</b>	Sherif Wakil, London, UK
17:40 - 17:55	<b>Female Intimate Regeneration, Hormonal Integrity and Tissue Vitality</b>	Katarina Andjelkov, Belgrade, Serbia

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# The Sixth International Ophthalmology Symposium Innovations in Ophthalmology – A New Era with Ophthalmic Radiology School Symposium

## Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:

Nina Jovanović – Eye Institute Knezović, Zagreb, Croatia

Melita Adilović-Čabrić – Eye Clinic Royal Ophthalmology Doboj, Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboj jug, BiH

Ernesta Potkonjak – Specialized Ophthalmological Practice Dr Ernesta, Banja Luka, BiH

Nisada Rehić-Skokić – Dr. Stroms&Partners Group Practice, Germany

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## Brief description, including intended audience:

The symposium topic is “Innovations in Ophthalmology – A New Era with Ophthalmic Radiology School”.


Theoretical blocks will feature international faculty presentations and two blocks will present submitted abstracts. The Symposium will bring together clinical multidisciplinary experts to share the latest knowledge and science in ophthalmology with a broad professional audience. The audience ranges from medical students, residents, and attendees to experienced ophthalmologists - experts in the field. This year oftalmologijabih collaborates with the

Bosnisch-Herzegowinische Ärtegesellschaft in Deutschland (BHÄG). A section of the symposium, an ophthalmic radiology school with four renewed speakers will be organized, covering topics in teleradiology, AI, and pediatric challenging cases. Many invited lecturers from Europe, the region, and the US will deliver contemporary and hot topics in ophthalmology. A YO (young ophthalmologist) session will be held alongside the workshop on the practical use of IOL calculation and biometry on the state-of-the-art machines displayed in the room.

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## Session 1 SEE DEEPER: Diagnostics in Modern Ophthalmology

Moderators: Adel Smajlović; Nisada Rehić-Skokić; Nejra Hodžić; Barbara Kopp, Meliha Halilbašić

08:00 - 08:30	<b>Registration</b>	
08:30 - 08:40	<b>Opening of the Symposium</b>	
08:40 - 08:52	<b>Progressive Visual Loss following Prolonged Unilateral Headache: an Ophthalmic Presentation of Giant Cell Arteritis</b>	Adel Smajlović (Cantonal Hospital Zenica, Zenica, BiH)
08:52 - 09:04	<b>Quo Vadis Myopia?</b>	Nisada Rehić-Skokić (Dr. Stroms & Partners Group Practice, Essen, Germany)
09:04 - 19:16	<b>The Influence of Omega 3 Fatty Acids on Tear Film Quality in Celiac Disease Patients - a randomized clinical trial</b>	Nejra Hodžić (Plava Medical Group, Tuzla, BiH)
09:16 - 09:28	<b>Atypical Fibroxanthoma of the Eyelid Region</b>	Barbara Kopp (University Hospital Salzburg, Salzburg, Austria)
09:28 . 09:40	<b>Cytomegalovirus Retinitis (CMVR) in an HIV-negative Patient with a history of Chronic Lymphoproliferative Disease</b>	Marko Lukić (European Medical Consultants, Moorfields Eye Hospital London, UK)
09:40 - 09:52	<b>Vernal Keratoconjunctivitis: Bridging the Gap Between Theory and Practice</b>	Meliha Halilbašić (Clinical Centre of the University of Tuzla, Tuzla, BiH)
09:52 - 10:02	<b>"Depores- an Innovative Approach to Treating Dry Eye Disease" Sponsored by Unifarm</b>	Emir Čabrić (Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboj Jug; Eye Clinic "Royal ophthalmology", BiH)
10:02 - 10:17	<b>Discussion</b>	
10:17 - 10:45	<b>Coffee break and Networking</b>	

## Session 2 RESTORING BALANCE: From Genetics to Surgery in Orbital and Ocular Disease

Moderators: Patricia Reisz-Majić; Juan Carlos Sanchez Espana; Leon Marković; Josip Knežević; Nina Jovanović

10:45 - 11:00	<b>Thyroid Eye Disease: Evolving Paradigms in Medical and Surgical Therapies</b>	Francesco Quaranta Leoni (Oftalmoplastica Roma; Department of Ophthalmology of Villa Tiberia Hospital, Rome, Italy)
11:00 - 11:15	<b>KEYNOTE LECTURE Brow Lift</b>	Juan Carlos Sanchez Espana (General University Hospital of Catalonia in Sant Cugat del Valles, Spain)
11:15 - 11:27	<b>Genetics in Ophthalmology: Molecular Blueprints of Retinoblastoma</b>	Leon Marković (University Hospital "Sveti Duh", Zagreb, Croatia)
11:27 - 11:39	<b>Biologic Therapy in Ophthalmology: A Success Story and a Serious Complication</b>	Josip Knežević (University Clinical Centre Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia)
11:39 - 11:54	<b>Discussion</b>	

## Session 3 CUT WITH PRECISION: A New era in Surgery

Moderators: Miroslav Stamenković; Jovan Milić; Faruk Semiz; Vladimir Suvajac;  
Igor Knezović; Miljan Šobot

11:54 - 12:06	<b>New Trends in PCIOL Fixation</b>	Miroslav Stamenković (Clinical Hospital Centre Zvezdara, Belgrade, Serbia)
12:06 - 12:18	<b>Dropless Cataract Surgery – is Postoperative Therapy Necessary?</b>	Jovan Milić (General Hospital Nikšić, Nikšić, Montenegro)
12:18 - 12:30	<b>Refractive Intrastromal (Sutureless) Keratoplasty</b>	Faruk Semiz (Eye Hospital, Priština, Kosovo)
12:30 - 12:42	<b>Early Visual Recovery Following Smartsight Lenticule Extraction</b>	Vladimir Suvajac (Eye Clinic „Professional – dr Suvajac“, Belgrade, Serbia)
12:42 - 12:54	<b>DISC (Decentered Individualized Sphero-Cylindrical) versus Athens Protocol for Keratoconus Management - a contralateral study</b>	Igor Knezović (Eye Institute Knezović, Zagreb, Croatia)
12:54 - 13:06	<b>Managment of Progressive Keratoconus in an Adolescent with Ultra-thin Cornea: a collaborative case report</b>	Miljan Šobot (ZU dr Dobrijević, Banja Luka, BiH)
13:06 - 13:20	<b>Discussion</b>	

13:20 - 13:40	Precision Matters: Mastering Ocular Biometry & IOL Calculation <b>sponsored by Amicus</b> Arnes Čabrić (Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboj jug, Eye Clinic "Royal Ophthalmology" Doboj, BiH)
13:40 - 14:50	<b>Lunch</b>

## Session 4 PRESERVING VISION: Advances in Retina and Glaucoma care

### Moderators:

Part 1: Sanja Sefić – Kasumović; Sanida Ljaljević; Marija Štanfel; Arnes Čabrić; Ernesta Potkonjak

Part 2 Miodrag Vojčić; Ammar Kosić; Lana Datuashvil; Melita Adilović – Čabrić; Nisada Rehić-Skokić

14:50 - 15:02	<b>Glaucoma or not? Decoding Visual Field Mimickers</b>	Sanja Sefić – Kasumović (Eye Clinic "Dr Sefić" Sarajevo, BiH)
15:02 - 15:14	<b>Our experiences with Iridex Cyclo G6 Glaucoma Laser system</b>	Sanida Ljaljević (Clinical Centre of the University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, BiH)
15:14 - 15:29	<b>Local Toxicity of Topical Intraocular Pressure-Lowering Medications and the Role of Preservatives sponsored by PharmaS</b>	Merita Lika – Pranjić (Clinical Centre of the University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, BiH)
15:29 - 15:39	<b>Eylea 8 mg – a Revolution in the Treatment of Retinal Diseases -sponsored by Bayer</b>	Melita Adilović-Čabrić (Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboj jug, Eye Clinic "Royal Ophthalmology" Doboj, BiH)
15:39 - 15:51	<b>Macular Hole Surgery Variations</b>	Marija Štanfel (University Clinical Centre Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia)
15:51 - 16:03	<b>One Patient Two Techniques: Macular Hole ILM Flap Cover vs Fill in ole</b>	Arnes Čabrić (Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboj jug, Eye Clinic "Royal Ophthalmology" Doboj, BiH)
16:03 - 16:15	<b>Discussion</b>	
16:15 - 16:45	<b>Coffe break</b>	
16:45 - 16:57	<b>From Marcus Gunn to Modern Times</b>	Miodrag Vojčić (Moorfield's Eye Hospital, London, UK)
16:57 - 17:09	<b>Rapid-fire Clinical Cases from the Frontlines</b>	Ammar Kosić (University hospital St. Pölten - Department of Ophthalmology, St. Pölten, Austria)
17:09 - 17:24	<b>Strabismus: Surgical and Non-Surgical Approach</b>	Lana Datuashvil (Clinic LJ Akaki Tsereteli State University – Kutaisi, Georgia)
17:24 - 17:36	<b>What is new in Retina: Recent Approvals and What they Mean for Practice</b>	Lejla Vajzović (Duke Eye Centre, Durham, USA)
17:36 -17:51	<b>Discussion</b>	

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## Session 1 Rapid Fire - Young ophthalmologist "Next Generation Ophthalmology: Skills, Decisions & Challenges"

Moderators: Emir Čabrić, Meliha Halilbašić, Sanida Ljaljević, Igor Knezović, Miodrag Vojčić

09:00 - 09:07	<b>Normal visual acuity, severe diagnosis: Bilateral papilledema as a sign of CVST (Cerebral venous sinus thrombosis)</b>	Faris Čustović, Belma Jaganjac, Adel Smajlović
09:07 - 09:14	<b>Association between systemic inflammatory indices and central foveal thickness in diabetic retinopathy: a cross-sectional study</b>	Hajrija Pleh, Emina Kujundžić Begović
09:14 - 09:21	<b>From Denervation to Regeneration: A Case Report of Microinvasive Corneal Neurotization</b>	Ines Matoc Kasumović, Armin Kasumović, Aida Kasumović Bećirević, Sanja Sefić Kasumović, Tristan Bourcier
09:21 - 09:28	<b>Reconstruction of Lateral Canthus Defects Following Eyelid Tumor Excision: A Case Series</b>	Biljana Trivunčević Simetić, Tepić Popović M., Solomun Papak B.
09:28 - 09:35	<b>Cataract Surgery in Diabetes: Impact on Retinal Thickness and Visual Outcomes</b>	Sasa Smoljanovic Skočić, Sanela Sanja Burgić, Jelena Papić
09:35 - 09:42	<b>Surgeon "Tunnel Vision Phenomenon" During Cataract Surgery</b>	dr Ariana Nuspahić Džajić
09:42 - 09:57	<b>Discussion</b>	
09:57 - 10:07	<b>Contemporary Approach to Dry Eye Disease: From Diagnosis to the Selection of Artificial Tears sponsored by Alkaloid</b>	Melita Adilović-Čabrić (Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboju, Eye Clinic "Royal Ophthalmology" Doboju, BiH)
10:07 - 10:40	<b>Coffee break and Networking</b>	
<b>SCHOOL OF OPHTHALMIC RADIOLOGY "Beyond the Slit Lamp: The Power of Ophthalmic Radiology"</b>		
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Basic Orbital Anatomy and Pathology from the radiologist's aspect</b>	Emir Gušo (ASA Hospital, Sarajevo, BiH)

11:00 - 11:15	<b>Ophthalmology and interventional neuroradiology: an impossible combination?</b>	Malik Galijašević (Medical University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria)
1:15 - 11:30	<b>Radiological Diagnostics of Uveal Melanoma</b>	Admir Terzić (Clinical Centre of the University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, BiH)
11:30 - 11:45	<b>Radiology of the Acute Orbit: Recognizing Infectious and Inflammatory Emergencies</b>	Ajla Kadribegić (Vision Radiology, USA)
11:45 - 12:00	<b>Imaging of the Globe &amp; Orbits: What Our Eye Physicians Need to Know</b>	Suresh K. Mukherji (University of Louisville & University of Illinois, USA)
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Discussion</b>	
12:15 - 12:25	<b>Follow-up of patients with corneal graft</b>	Ernesta Potkonjak, Maja Pauk Gulic, Iva Dekaris

## Session 2 Rapid Fire - Young ophthalmologist "Next Generation Ophthalmology: Skills, Decisions & Challenges"

Moderators: Emir Čabrić, Meliha Halilbašić, Sanida Ljaljević, Igor Knezović, Miodrag Vojčić

12:25 - 12:32	<b>From Hand Motion to 20/20: Rescue Therapy with Intravitreal Dexamethasone Implant for Refractory Fibrinous Uveitis Following Cataract Surgery in a High-Risk Patient</b>	Fatma Sumer; Ahmet Melih Oncirak
12:32 - 12:39	<b>AI-Based Tear Film Analysis for Early Detection of Neurodegenerative Disease: A Systematic Review</b>	Justin Kahen
12:39 - 12:46	<b>Primary Mucinous Carcinoma Of The Eyelid Mimicking Recurrent Chalazion: A Diagnostic Challenge</b>	Yaren Guven; Fatma Sumer; Cigdem Ozturk
12:46 - 12:53	<b>Intravitreal Triamcinolone Acetonide for Refractory Fibrinous Reaction Following Cataract Surgery in a Patient with Behçet's Disease</b>	Ahmet Melih Oncirak; Fatma Sumer
12:53 - 13:00	<b>Pupillary Light Reflex Variability as a Digital Biomarker for Early Autonomic Dysfunction: A systematic Review</b>	Justin Kahen
13:00 - 13:10	<b>Discussion and closing remarks</b>	

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# **1ST INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM IN ENDOCRINOLOGY AND DIABETOLOGY**

## **Obesity Beyond the Obvious Symposium**

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10:00 - 10:10

**Welcoming remarks**

10:10 - 10:20

**Opening Address — hybrid | Volkan Yumuk (TUR)**

## Session 1 - Obesity as a Chronic Disease: Current Scientific Understanding

10:20 - 10:35

**The Problem of Obesity and  
New Concepts of Disease**

Maja Baretić (CRO)

10:35 - 10:55

**Genetics of Obesity – From  
Mechanisms to Therapeutic  
Approaches**

Marie Helene Scherthaner-Reiter (AUT)

10:55 - 11:05

**Obesity in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

Dario Đukić (BIH)

11:05 - 11:20

**Discussion**

11:20 - 12:05

**SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**

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12:05 - 12:20

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(Boehringer Ingelheim)

12:20 - 12:45

**Coffee break**

12:45 - 13:05

**KEYNOTE LECTURES:  
Rethinking Type 2 Diabetes:  
Hidden Cardiovascular  
Vulnerability**

Dunja Aksentijević (UK)

13:05 - 13:25

**Diabetes and Alzheimer's  
Disease: Co-morbidities with  
a Common Cause?**

Mirela Delibegović (UK)

13:25 - 13:40

**Panel discussion**

13:40 - 14:20

**SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**

Amicus Pharma, Eli Lilly, Krka

14:20 - 15:00

**Lunch**

## Session 2 - From Steno to Sarajevo

15:00 - 15:05	<b>Introduction</b>	Amar Nikontović (DEN)
15:05 - 15:20	<b>The Steno Diabetes Center Concept in Denmark</b>	Poul Erik Jakobsen (DEN)
15:20 - 15:33	<b>Future Patient Treatment – From a Danish Perspective</b>	Hanne Ravn Larsen (DEN)
15:35 - 15:50	<b>Stay on Top of Your Diabetes: A Better Way to Control Your Diabetes</b>	Amar Nikontović (DEN)
15:50 - 16:00	<b>Panel discussion</b>	
16:00 - 16:15	<b>SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM</b>	Omnibiotic Bioxx Pharma

## Session 3 - Impact of Obesity on Reproductive Health


16:15 - 16:30	<b>Obesity and Reproductive Aging: When Metabolism Redefines Female Fertility</b>	Ljiljana Marina (SRB)
16:30 - 16:45	<b>Male Hypogonadism and Obesity: Bidirectional Endocrine Relationship</b>	Enis Mumdžić (UK)
16:45 - 17:05	<b>Panel discussion</b>	

## Workshop

17:05 - 18:00	<b>Thyroid Ultrasound — Part I</b>	Anida Divanović (BIH), Anisa Šahbaz (BIH)
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## Workshop

09:00 - 10:00	<b>Thyroid Ultrasound — Part I</b>	Ajdin Smajlović (BIH), Anida Divanović (BIH), Anisa Šahbaz (BIH)
10:00 - 10:45	<b>Obesity in Clinical Practice</b>	Selma Jusufović (BIH), Enra Đešević (BIH), Dženana Halilović (BIH), Alma Horozić (BIH)
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Gut Microbiome in Obesity</b>	Senada Husarić (BIH)
11:00 - 11:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	

## Session 4 - The Liver at the Crossroads of Obesity and Prediabetes

11:30 - 12:00	<b>Fighting Fat with Fat: A New Strategy for Fatty Liver and Prediabetes</b>	Mehmet Furkan Burak (USA)
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Clinical Approach to MASLD in Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>	Selma Jusufović (BIH)
12:15 - 12:25	<b>Panel discussion</b>	
<b>SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM</b>	<b>12:25 - 12:35 First Pharma, 12:35 - 12:45 Salvus, 12:45 - 12:55 Zada Pharmaceuticals</b>	
12:55 - 13:50	<b>Lunch break</b>	

## Roundtable - Obesity Beyond Weight Loss: Guidelines, Surgery, Incretins and Long-Term Maintenance

**Moderator: Selma Jusufović (BIH)**

13:50 - 14:35	<b>Current Concepts in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Obesity</b>	Senada Husarić (BIH), Ivona Risović (BIH), Bojana Carić (BIH), Sanja Selak Bevanda (BIH), Nedžad Kadrić (BIH), Anisa Šahbaz (BIH)
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## 14:35 - 15:35 Oral Presentation Session

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16:00

**Closing remarks**

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# International Symposium in Neurology Symposium

## **Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:**

Enra Mehmedika Suljić (Sarajevo, B&H)

Aida Kantardžić-Šehić (Louisville, KY, USA)

Nevena Mahmutbegović (Sarajevo, B&H)

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08:00 - 08:05

**Welcome message**

Enra Mehmedika Suljić (University Clinical Center Sarajevo, B&H)

## Session 1 - Beyond Seizures: Epilepsy and Comorbidities

**Chairs: Dragoslav Sokić (Serbia), Vlatko Šulentić (Croatia), Enra Mehmedika Suljić (B&H)**

08:05 - 08:25

**Honorary Lecture: Modern Concepts in Narcolepsy**

Dragoslav Sokić, Serbia

08:25 - 08:45

**Honorary Lecture: Invasive Presurgical Evaluation in Focal Drug-Resistant Epilepsy**

Aleksandar Ristić, Serbia

08:45 - 09:05

**Honorary Lecture: Psychogenic nonepileptic seizures (PNES): diagnostic and therapeutic challenge**

Vlatko Šulentić, Croatia

09:05 - 09:25

**Epilepsy depression dichotomy**

Enra Mehmedika Suljić, B&H

09:25 - 09:45

**Multiple sclerosis and epilepsy**

Selma Šabanagić Hajrić, B&H

09:45 - 10:00

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10:00 - 10:30

**Coffee break**

## Session 2 - Beyond Seizures: Epilepsy Across Neurological Disorders

**Chairs: Aleksandar Ristić (Serbia), Silva Butković Soldo (Croatia), Ljiljana Radulović (MNE)**

10:30 - 10:50

**Honorary Lecture: Epilepsy in Neurorehabilitation: A Clinical Challenge?**

Silva Butković Soldo, Croatia

10:50 - 11:10

**Honorary Lecture: Autoimmune encephalitis and epilepsy**

Ljiljana Radulović, MNE

11:10 - 11:25	<b>Stroke and Epilepsy: A Significant Neurological Comorbidity</b>	Jasminka Đelilović Vranić, B&H
11:25 - 11:40	<b>Surgical Treatment of Epilepsy</b>	Aida Kantardžić Šehić, USA
11:40 - 11:55	<b>Can You Teach An Old Brain New Tricks - The Power of Neuroplasticity</b>	Amra Sarić, CAN
11:55 - 12:10	<b>Symptomatic epileptic seizures as a herald to diagnosis for multiple sclerosis in female adolescent patient</b>	Coşkun Kerala, MKD
12:10 - 12:30	<b>When Headache Meets Seizure: Managing Migraine in Epilepsy Patients</b>	Nataša Pejanović Škobić, B&H
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 - 13:45	<b>SUDEP</b>	Sabrina Hadžiosmanović, MNE
13:45 - 14:00	<b>Effects of antiepileptic therapy on bone health</b>	Admir Mehičević, B&H
14:00 - 14:15	<b>Assessment of perceived stigma and its impact on the development of depression in patients with epilepsy</b>	Aida Hrelja, B&H
14:15 - 14:30	<b>Not every seizure is epilepsy</b>	Zinka Huseinbegović, B&H
14:30 - 14:45	<b>Cognitive Impairment in People with Epilepsy</b>	Amira Beganović, B&H
14:45 - 15:00	<b>Depression in epilepsy patients: A hospital-based study</b>	Nataša Loga Andrijić, B&H
15:00 - 15:15	<b>Epilepsy and migraine: Is there a link?</b>	Edina Đozić, B&H
15:15 - 15:30	<b>Drug-Related Seizures: Mechanisms, Risk Factors and Clinical Implications</b>	Nevena Mahmutbegović, B&H
15:30 - 15:45	<b>SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM</b>	Supported by NOVARTIS
15:45 - 16:00	<b>Coffee break</b>	

## Session 3 - Case Reports and Emerging Perspectives in Epilepsy

Chairs: Enra Mehmedika Suljić (B&H), Selma Šabanagić Hajrić (B&H), Aida Kantardžić-Šehić (USA)

16:00 - 16:05	<b>Psychosis and Epilepsy: Clinical Associations and Suicide Risk</b>	Emina Čedić, Sarajevo
16:05 - 16:10	<b>Symptomatic Epilepsy in Rapidly Progressive Encephalopathy: A Case of Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease</b>	Nejra Mašić, Sarajevo
16:10 - 16:15	<b>Coexistence of Pediatric-Onset Epilepsy and Newly Diagnosed Multiple Sclerosis</b>	Elma Milanović, Sarajevo
16:15 - 16:20	<b>Epilepsy and Atherosclerotic parkinsonism – comorbidity, drug induced symptoms and a review of recent literature</b>	Hamza Jatić, Sarajevo
16:20 - 16:25	<b>Shizencephaly-Associated Epilepsy: A case report of a rare congenital cortical defect</b>	Emir Hasanbegović, Sarajevo
16:25 - 16:30	<b>Isolated Cortical Venous Thrombosis as a Rare Cause of New-Onset Epilepsy: A Case Report</b>	Amina Džidić, Zenica
16:30 - 16:35	<b>EEG and artificial intelligence: The future of epilepsy diagnosis?</b>	Belkisa Hasanović, Tuzla
16:35 - 16:45	<b>Epilepsy as a Primary Manifestation of Relapsing-Remitting Multiple Sclerosis in a Pregnant Patient: A Multidisciplinary Approach</b>	Benjamin Hećo, Sarajevo
16:40 - 16:45	<b>Huntington's Disease as a Rare Comorbidity in Epilepsy: A Case Report</b>	Amar Hadžagić, Sarajevo
16:45 - 16:50	<b>Severe Hyponatremia as a Trigger of Acute Symptomatic Seizure in a Patient With Pre-Existing Epilepsy: A Case Report</b>	Elhana Marić, Sarajevo
16:50 - 16:55	<b>Late-Onset Post-Stroke Epilepsy in a Patient with Multiple Comorbidities: A Case Report</b>	Amila Merdžanović, Sarajevo
16:55 - 17:00	<b>Closing remarks</b>	



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## **Medical Students Symposium**

08:00 - 08:30	<b>Registration</b>	
08:30 - 10:00	<b>Student works - presentation and discussion</b>	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A Curated Life, A Divided Self: Social Media as an Escape, the Connectivity Paradox, and Fragmentation of the Adolescent Self</li> <li>2. Recurrence of an Epidermoid Cyst of the Cerebellopontine Angle: Surgical Treatment After 15 Years</li> <li>3. Annual Clinical and Demographic Analysis of Lumbar Stabilization in Spondylolisthesis Treatment: Experience of the Department of Neurosurgery, Clinical Center University of Sarajevo</li> <li>4. Complementation of Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS) Protocols in Bosnia and Herzegovina: A Pilot Study</li> <li>5. Postpartum Vulvovaginal Changes and the Role of Aesthetic Gynecology</li> </ol>	
10:00 - 10:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:30 - 12:30	<b>SaMED - presentation</b>	Aldin Kurbegović
	<b>Svijest i prevencija karcinoma dojke (SPERO projekat)</b>	Hena Gojak, Nejra Šaljić
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 - 15:00	<b>Student works</b>	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Surgical Management of Intracranial Epidermoid Cysts: Extent of Resection, Cranial Nerve Outcomes, and Recurrence – A Systematic Review</li> <li>2. Meningiomatosis cerebri with recurrent atypical meningiomas: case report with topic review</li> <li>3. Knowledge and Attitudes Toward Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccination Among Medical Students at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Banja Luka (RS-BiH)</li> <li>4. Corticosteroid-Induced Mania in Bipolar Disorder</li> <li>5. Sleep Quality Among Medical Students at the University of Sarajevo</li> </ol>	

15:00 - 15:30	<b>Mentorship program: experiences</b>	Amna Opačin
15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
16:00 - 16:30	<b>Roundtable and announcement of winners</b>	
11:27 - 11:39	<b>Student activism in medicine</b>	Adin Kurbegović, Džan Ahmed Jasenković, Alden Begić, Adem Nuhović



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# The Sixth International Ophthalmology Symposium Innovations in Ophthalmology – A New Era with Ophthalmic Radiology School Symposium

## Symposium chair(s) and Affiliations:

Nina Jovanović – Eye Institute Knezović, Zagreb, Croatia

Melita Adilović-Čabrić – Eye Clinic Royal Ophthalmology Doboj, Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboj jug, BiH

Ernesta Potkonjak – Specialized Ophthalmological Practice Dr Ernesta, Banja Luka, BiH

Nisada Rehić-Skokić – Dr. Stroms&Partners Group Practice, Germany

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## Brief description, including intended audience:

The symposium topic is “Innovations in Ophthalmology – A New Era with Ophthalmic Radiology School”.

Theoretical blocks will feature international faculty presentations and two blocks will present submitted abstracts. The Symposium will bring together clinical multidisciplinary experts to share the latest knowledge and science in ophthalmology with a broad professional audience. The audience ranges from medical students, residents, and attendees to experienced ophthalmologists - experts in the field. This year oftalmologijabih collaborates with the

Bosnisch-Herzegowinische Ärtegesellschaft in Deutschland (BHÄG). A section of the symposium, an ophthalmic radiology school with four renewed speakers will be organized, covering topics in teleradiology, AI, and pediatric challenging cases. Many invited lecturers from Europe, the region, and the US will deliver contemporary and hot topics in ophthalmology. A YO (young ophthalmologist) session will be held alongside the workshop on the practical use of IOL calculation and biometry on the state-of-the-art machines displayed in the room.

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## Session 1 Rapid Fire - Young ophthalmologist "Next Generation Ophthalmology: Skills, Decisions & Challenges"

Moderators: Emir Čabrić, Meliha Halilbašić, Sanida Ljaljević, Igor Knezović, Miodrag Vojčić

09:00 - 09:07	<b>Normal visual acuity, severe diagnosis: Bilateral papilledema as a sign of CVST (Cerebral venous sinus thrombosis)</b>	Faris Čustović, Belma Jaganjac, Adel Smajlović
09:07 - 09:14	<b>Association between systemic inflammatory indices and central foveal thickness in diabetic retinopathy: a cross-sectional study</b>	Hajrija Pleh, Emina Kujundžić Begović
09:14 - 09:21	<b>From Denervation to Regeneration: A Case Report of Microinvasive Corneal Neurotization</b>	Ines Matoc Kasumović, Armin Kasumović, Aida Kasumović Bećirević, Sanja Sefić Kasumović, Tristan Bourcier
09:21 - 09:28	<b>Reconstruction of Lateral Canthus Defects Following Eyelid Tumor Excision: A Case Series</b>	Biljana Trivunčević Simetić, Tepić Popović M., Solomun Papak B.
09:28 - 09:35	<b>Cataract Surgery in Diabetes: Impact on Retinal Thickness and Visual Outcomes</b>	Sasa Smoljanovic Skočić, Sanela Sanja Burgić, Jelena Papić
09:35 - 09:42	<b>Surgeon "Tunnel Vision Phenomenon" During Cataract Surgery</b>	dr Ariana Nuspahić Džajić
09:42 - 09:57	<b>Discussion</b>	
09:57 - 10:07	<b>Contemporary Approach to Dry Eye Disease: From Diagnosis to the Selection of Artificial Tears sponsored by Alkaloid</b>	Melita Adilović-Čabrić (Polyclinic and Day hospital Doboju, Eye Clinic "Royal Ophthalmology" Doboju, BiH)
10:07 - 10:40	<b>Coffee break and Networking</b>	
<b>SCHOOL OF OPHTHALMIC RADIOLOGY "Beyond the Slit Lamp: The Power of Ophthalmic Radiology"</b>		
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Basic Orbital Anatomy and Pathology from the radiologist's aspect</b>	Emir Gušo (ASA Hospital, Sarajevo, BiH)

11:00 - 11:15	<b>Ophthalmology and interventional neuroradiology: an impossible combination?</b>	Malik Galijašević (Medical University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria)
1:15 - 11:30	<b>Radiological Diagnostics of Uveal Melanoma</b>	Admir Terzić (Clinical Centre of the University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, BiH)
11:30 - 11:45	<b>Radiology of the Acute Orbit: Recognizing Infectious and Inflammatory Emergencies</b>	Ajla Kadribegić (Vision Radiology, USA)
11:45 - 12:00	<b>Imaging of the Globe &amp; Orbits: What Our Eye Physicians Need to Know</b>	Suresh K. Mukherji (University of Louisville & University of Illinois, USA)
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Discussion</b>	
12:15 - 12:25	<b>Follow-up of patients with corneal graft</b>	Ernesta Potkonjak, Maja Pauk Gulic, Iva Dekaris

## Session 2 Rapid Fire - Young ophthalmologist "Next Generation Ophthalmology: Skills, Decisions & Challenges"

Moderators: Emir Čabrić, Meliha Halilbašić, Sanida Ljaljević, Igor Knezović, Miodrag Vojčić

12:25 - 12:32	<b>From Hand Motion to 20/20: Rescue Therapy with Intravitreal Dexamethasone Implant for Refractory Fibrinous Uveitis Following Cataract Surgery in a High-Risk Patient</b>	Fatma Sumer; Ahmet Melih Oncirak
12:32 - 12:39	<b>AI-Based Tear Film Analysis for Early Detection of Neurodegenerative Disease: A Systematic Review</b>	Justin Kahen
12:39 - 12:46	<b>Primary Mucinous Carcinoma Of The Eyelid Mimicking Recurrent Chalazion: A Diagnostic Challenge</b>	Yaren Guven; Fatma Sumer; Cigdem Ozturk
12:46 - 12:53	<b>Intravitreal Triamcinolone Acetonide for Refractory Fibrinous Reaction Following Cataract Surgery in a Patient with Behçet's Disease</b>	Ahmet Melih Oncirak; Fatma Sumer
12:53 - 13:00	<b>Pupillary Light Reflex Variability as a Digital Biomarker for Early Autonomic Dysfunction: A systematic Review</b>	Justin Kahen
13:00 - 13:10	<b>Discussion and closing remarks</b>	

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## Workshop

09:00 - 10:00	<b>Thyroid Ultrasound — Part I</b>	Ajdin Smajlović (BIH), Anida Divanović (BIH), Anisa Šahbaz (BIH)
10:00 - 10:45	<b>Obesity in Clinical Practice</b>	Selma Jusufović (BIH), Enra Đešević (BIH), Dženana Halilović (BIH), Alma Horozić (BIH)
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Gut Microbiome in Obesity</b>	Senada Husarić (BIH)
11:00 - 11:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	

## Session 4 - The Liver at the Crossroads of Obesity and Prediabetes

11:30 - 12:00	<b>Fighting Fat with Fat: A New Strategy for Fatty Liver and Prediabetes</b>	Mehmet Furkan Burak (USA)
12:00 - 12:15	<b>Clinical Approach to MASLD in Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>	Selma Jusufović (BIH)
12:15 - 12:25	<b>Panel discussion</b>	
<b>SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM</b>	<b>12:25 - 12:35 First Pharma, 12:35 - 12:45 Salvus, 12:45 - 12:55 Zada Pharmaceuticals</b>	
12:55 - 13:50	<b>Lunch break</b>	

## Roundtable - Obesity Beyond Weight Loss: Guidelines, Surgery, Incretins and Long-Term Maintenance

**Moderator: Selma Jusufović (BIH)**

13:50 - 14:35	<b>Current Concepts in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Obesity</b>	Senada Husarić (BIH), Ivona Risović (BIH), Bojana Carić (BIH), Sanja Selak Bevanda (BIH), Nedžad Kadrić (BIH), Anisa Šahbaz (BIH)
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## 14:35 - 15:35 Oral Presentation Session

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**Closing remarks**

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